

Outreach Report – June 11, 2019 meeting

- Meals by Wheels routes May 20-24—thanks to all who volunteered!
- Upcoming Red Cross blood drive July 2 at FLC from 1-7 pm
- Re-scheduled late fall drive for November 12 due to Red Cross scheduling conflicts
- June 5 meeting with Steve G. to learn more about the Cultivating Generous Congregations team and discuss ways Outreach and Discipleship can join forces to achieve common goals and grow these areas as FLC. We are looking to put together a joint meeting of committees for further discussion. Goal would be to develop some ideas ahead of September when Sunday School resumes—an important time in the church calendar. Exploring opportunities to use shared themes for youth activities/curriculum, scriptural study, focus on benevolence beneficiaries, etc.

Property Report

1. Received three bids on re-surfacing and striping the parking lot. Hope to choose one and get it going as soon as possible. The parking lot account is \$14,000 but the bids are around half of that. I'd like to get an approval by the council on a specific company to go with at tonight's meeting.
2. Working on getting the sign along Union Ave. re-furbished. We have received an initial donation for part of the work. Indigo Signs will be doing the job of installing new, efficient lighting, cleaning the facing, and painting the frame and posts. The lettering and logo work will be determined yet. Beginning phase should be completed in approximately two weeks.
3. Received bid for auto lighting system in certain areas of the church. Several will be motion sensors while others will be on a timing system. Partial cost will be covered by a donation. The total cost is \$5,266.00. Covered cost so far leaves a balance of \$2400.00 with a possibility of yet more donation money.

First Lutheran Church Worship Committee

Minutes from Worship Committee meeting 6/5/19

Present: Nancy Swenson, Keith Melberg, Gretchen Enoch, Linda Mellon, Harriet Wicklund,
Pam Schroden, Jennifer Stans, Janel Trosvig

Old Business:

- 1) Review of last month's meeting minutes and report on assignments
 - a. Special instructions for sound operators. LeAnne Jaenisch will be available after May 15th to provide training. *Ideas discussed: 1) ask the operator to arrive by 9am so they can check with the Pastor and others involved in the service that day. 2) find out and work with Choirs, soloists, etc. who may need microphones placed/used. 3) Batteries should be checked, etc. 4) assign or at least know which portable microphones are going to be used and by which participants. 5) this could also include doing the live-stream. 6) learn to anticipate mics needed so there is no delay in turning on mics for cantor, lector, choirs, children's sermon, etc. 7) always mic piano when it's leading congregation singing.
*Harriet has not talked with LeAnne. Suggests adding some of the management to the role of Sacristan.
*the office will call the meeting/training once it's been set.
 - b. Gretchen has agreed with the pastor from Hope Lutheran to have an outdoor worship service together
on Sunday, August 25. Hope Lutheran will host the service (they have outdoor space), and we'll
provide the sound system.
*Gretchen hasn't heard back from Anne on availability of the Worship Team for that service.
*Ann was also going to check with LeAnne and Steve regarding transport/set-up of sound equipment.
 - c. Men of Note will be singing at First Lutheran on Sunday August 4th. If they do a concert at the end of
the season, we will make a contribution on behalf of the church.
 - d. Jennifer reported that she will be rehearsing at the Light & Life Auditorium 3x/wk through the
summer months. She has 14 girls who have expressed interest.
 - e. Blessing of animals service – discussion tabled.
- 2) Organ Project and concerts:
*Keith has confirmed the concert date for John Behnke's visit for 10/11/20 at 3pm.
*The concert our musicians will be on Sunday, 10/6/20 at 1pm.
*Linda has gotten the dates placed on the community calendar – as soon as we have a flyer ready, they'd
like a copy to add to their publications
*Discussed the need for an "MC" for the concert. Names suggested include Diane P., Linda M., Laurie

W., Darren K.

*Possible artists to create flyer include: Kelsey F., J. Ness-Ludwig, Susan S., Steve Gutormson.

*Nancy will 'strong-arm' Steve G. to see if he'll do it for us. We'd need it about 6 wks prior to the concert, or sooner for use on the community calendar.

*We definitely need to plan a fellowship event following the concert.

*There's probably space for about 10 numbers to fit within 1 hour. Directors will work on selections

3) Liturgy setting – continue current or change? Will continue with setting 8.

*Sound operator needs to be reminded to mic the piano when it's used to lead the congregation.

4) Faith & Fellowship shared mid-week services; Wednesdays at 5:30pm.

It is uncertain who will be responsible for the hospitality when we host the service on July 3rd. We'll wait to make a plan till closer to the date. Then we'll have an idea of the number of persons who normally attend as well as what other churches have chosen to serve. We'll plan to serve something that will require minimal prep and clean-up since it's the day before the July 4th holiday.

*it was suggested that we put a volunteer signup sheet in the bulletin for those willing to serve at the fellowship following the service on July 3rd. It would be filled out and placed in the offering plate by those willing to serve. Gretchen will arrange this.

*regarding Pam's question about planning hymns for the service on 7/3. Yes, she should select hymns for the service.

*We will use the "Now the Feast and Celebration" service.

*Harriet will meet with Gretchen to determine what needs to be done to successfully use this service plan.

5) Development of the role of Sacristan to assist with Sunday morning details.

*we didn't get to this agenda item – tabled.

6) Discussion of usher's tasks: Nancy brought the task listing to our meeting. However, we didn't get to it.

The hope is that revising this list may also provide consistency and assistance before, during, and after services. Training for ushering worshipers to communion in the narthex may be needed.

New Business:

- 1) The "Worship Committee" description was read and discussed. Some changes were made to the opening statement/description. We will discuss further at our next meeting.

Next Worship Committee meeting

TBD

Upcoming Assignments / Plans:

Hymn selection schedule:

July: Pam

August: Anne

September: Harriet
October: Jennifer
November: Keith

Liturgies: The committee has decided to use Setting 8 for at least 5 months of the year (beginning May 5th and continuing through the summer months using Kyrie only, the hymn of praise will be added again at least through September)

Faith & Fellowship Shared Midweek Services -- Summer 2019 -- the Psalms will be the theme:

June 5: Bethlehem	June 12: Augustana	June 19: Hope	June 26: Zion
July 3: First Luth.	July 10: Hope	July 17: Bethlehem	July 24: Aastad
July 31: Zion			
Aug 7: Augustana	Aug 14: First Luth	Aug 21: Rock Prairie	Aug 28: Bethlehem

Linda will write Messenger articles on liturgical purpose/history.

*Ash Wednesday – practice with ashes...