

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2023

In Attendance

Steve Kaufman, Bob Foster, Dan Reed, Debbie Wilson, Tim Koch, Barbara Kriebel, Pastor John Brock, Fran Jacobs, Julie Ward. Pastor Jack Horner was attending a conference, and Pastor Liz Frey was on maternity leave.

Budget

- David Harrington has been engaged to build an Ambry to hold the anointing oils to be placed in the Nave.
- Fran suggested the purchase of new communion elements to replace damaged items. No decision was made at this time.

Administrative

- Steve provided a brief report highlighting some of the suggestions offered in the INA Risk and Vulnerability Assessment report. Additional training as a result of the report has not yet been planned.
- Steve reviewed attendance number comparisons.
- Pastor John will be on sabbatical in August.
- Pastor Liz will return from maternity leave on May 30th.

Services

- Pastor John outlined the theme of "One Congregation. One Book." We begin the study of Romans on June 11th and continue to the end of July. There will be no lector readings during this theme.
- Initial discussion was held regarding the 125th Anniversary worship service on Impact Lives Day on September 10th. Logistics was the focus including discussion on length of worship service, location of service, and communion by intinction/prepackaged. It was determined that 30 minutes will not be enough time and that additional discussions with Julie (125th committee rep) and the Pastors, Tim and Debbie will be needed. Pastor John offered the suggestion of extending invitations to former pastors.
- Advent 4 and Christmas Eve services both occur on Sunday, December 24th. The Saturday evening and Sunday 9:00 a.m. service will be dedicated to Advent 4. There will be no 11:00 a.m. service. Christmas Eve services will occur as planned for 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00 and 10:00 p.m.

Decorations

- 50 geraniums were ordered for Pentecost Sunday
- Discussion was held regarding Advent 4/Christmas Eve services. It was determined that the candles would be installed on pews, and the bows would be changed from blue to red in the week prior to Advent 4. Paraments will be changed between the 9:00 a.m. Advent 4 service and the 2:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service. The logistic details will be discussed at the August meeting.

Altar Care

- After lengthy discussion regarding transitioning to communion by intinction only, it was decided to table this discussion until the August meeting. Fran has many concerns regarding the demands of such a transition on the Alter Care's volunteers.

Ushers

- Dan reported no issues in obtaining volunteers and has the summer contemporary services covered. He requested fewer bulletins be printed as families are sharing or utilizing the screens during worship. Dan expressed concern regarding the floor being damaged due to dragging chairs and the time/effort/money it will take to fix it. Announcements will be made to stack chairs and leave in place in efforts to alleviate further damage.
- Bob expressed having a little more difficulty obtaining volunteers to cover services, but overall, everything is going well.

Additional Items

- None

NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.