

Report of Pastor for Engagement

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New Members

Trinity welcomed 24 new members in February. All new members have completed their gifts and talents surveys and I have completed their results and my suggestions for them. I have started meeting with them to discuss their results. Council members and team/committee leaders may have folks to follow-up with. I have emailed those follow-ups to the appropriate people.

Hospitality

Our new Hospitality team met in February for the first time to discuss upcoming events and to welcome new members. We are currently preparing for the Camp Hill community Spring Fling event in April and are seeking volunteers to welcome folks visiting Trinity's station during this event.

English Language Learning

In February, we begin to plan and organize for the first few days of class. We had discussions regarding registration, student evaluations, safety and security, and childcare. The whole team met this month for a training session. Additionally, Laura Butcher and Beth Bard met with leaders in Camp Hill School District and our program has began a partnership with the school district. It has over 50 families who have students in their English Language Learners program. Information and registration forms have been shared with these families. Teaching teams have begun to meet to organize themselves. We have also started collecting books and toys for the children in partnership with Trinity's preschool families. Registrations are coming in quickly. We will likely have a wait list moving into the fall.

Worship Team

The Worship team met in February to finalize plans for Holy Week and Easter.

Community Outreach Ministries Team

This team met in February to discuss Lenten Giving and use of our designated funds. We also thanked our outgoing leader, Mitzi Jones and welcomed our new leader, Kim Hoover.

Leadership Summit

I attended the leadership summit on February 8 to discuss the strategic plan. It was an enjoyable and uplifting conversation. Many thanks to Bob Frymoyer and Jen Schwalm for leading this session.

Ash Wednesday

We had an active morning and early afternoon as the pastors distributed ashes to go. The evening worship was beautiful and powerful.

Creative Worship

We met to finalize Holy Week and Easter plans and discuss the themes for Easter season.

Confirmation

In confirmation class, we ask the students to attend another church or religious community that is not Lutheran. I made a guest appearance in February to lead a discussion with the class about their visits to these places of worship.

Leading from the Second Chair

For two days in February, Pastor Brock and I spent some time in Gettysburg at United Lutheran Seminary with other associate pastors and deacons. During his sabbatical, Pastor Brock put together this conference for associate pastors. We had Mike Bonem, who wrote a book for associate pastors with us. We also had breakout sessions for discussion around a bunch of topics. It was a great experience, and I learned a lot.

Personal

I am spending some time this week with Elijah who will be one on March 14. I apologize for my absence at this meeting.