

Minutes of Worship Meeting of January 26, 2009

In attendance: Pastor Russell Waldmann, Karen Waldmann, Dot Ostroski, Lois Hodlin, Sue Underwood

The meeting was opened with a prayer followed by approval of the minutes of the last meeting. One addition was made to mention that Hawkapella participated in the Dec. 14 service.

Old Business- The meeting began with positive comments about Stewardship Sundays (10/25, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16). Thanksgiving Sunday (Nov. 23) worship at night was not as well attended. More planning will be done in advance next year. Hanging of the Greens with the whole congregation was well received. Perhaps an angel or star can top the tree next year. "The Faith We Sing" hymnals were ordered at a discount of 25% off. Each is \$9.75. Book plates will not be ordered.

New Business- Planning for upcoming events was as follows:

- Boy Scout Sunday (Feb. 8): Two leaders were emailed about the date. More speaking parts by the scouts were suggested. Information is needed to Pastor by this Wed. to be printed in bulletin.
- Transfiguration of the Lord (Feb.22)/ Pretzel Sunday: Karen will do the Children's Sermon.
- Ash Wednesday (Feb. 25): No soup supper will be held on Wednesday this year, but a pancake supper will be held from 5-6:30 on "Fat Tuesday." Larry or Bob may help.
- Girl Scout Sunday (Mar. 8): Suggestions were made to have the girls share traditions, camping experiences, meeting info, bridging, and awards such as the Bronze, Silver and Gold.
- Lenten Series: "Take This Bread" theme and services will be held Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, and Apr. 2 at different churches in town. Notice of the schedule and preachers will be distributed.

Looking Ahead-Giving thought to future events

- Passion/Palm Sunday (Apr.5): Sue LaCombe will confirm palms and Easter plants as handled last year.
- Holy Week activities: Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will both have 7:00 p.m. services.
- March 29- Hyacinth Jennings, lay speaker for Women's History Month, will also do children's sermon. Refreshments will be provided and female readers will be assisting.
- Native American Ministries Sunday- Apr. 26

Other Business-

- Midweek Prayer Services (discontinued until after Easter)
- Pastor's suggestions/requests: Perhaps the pew bibles can be available on a table or cart in the back of the sanctuary with the bulletins.

- Other topics not covered above: Karen announced that a sign up sheet in the back of the church is for people to sign up as acolytes, greeters, etc.
- The choir loft may be used better with risers instead of chairs. A plan will be proposed.
- The Advent wreath wheel was discussed. Other ideas were shared to ease movement of children and adults on the altar and the screen more visible to all parts of the church.

The next meeting of the worship committee will be Monday, March 23 at the parsonage, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Underwood

Worship Chair