

Ministry Team: Congregational Life**Meeting Date:** September 8, 2009**Attendees:**

Deni Lundwall
Emilie Larson
Karen Herbrich
Jean Monson
Elizabeth Hensel
Dong Pham
Pastor Mike

Excused:

Margaret Zweig

Health Ministry Update

H1N1 Virus Discussion

Open discussion regarding what precautionary steps should be taken to address the H1N1 situation. At this time, verbiage will be added to the bulletin noting that it's perfectly acceptable to use hand sanitizer during service as members see necessary. Karen will also place a bottle of hand sanitizer at the entry of the sanctuary's for member use.

Karen's medical leave

3-6 months of leave

Karen is currently working on recruiting volunteers to help during her absence

Diane Bemis will work blood pressure checks and Laurie Gosz will help with the parent prayer ministry

Luau Update

The race is over, Karen will thank/acknowledge those who participated but there will not be a Luau. This may possibly be replaced with another event

Prayer Coordinator Update

No Update

Stephen Ministry/Befrienders Discussion

CLMT discussed the possibility of beginning a Care Ministry program such as Stephen Ministry or Befrienders. The following points were discussed:

- i. Do we want to wait to begin a program like this until our lead pastor is in place? Do we need to have a stronger prayer base in the congregation before moving forward? What are the fees involved? What's the difference between Stephen Ministry and Befrienders?
- ii. To Dos:
 1. Jean to get more brochures for CLMT to review
 2. Pastor Mike to recruit a current Stephen Minister to come to CLMT meeting in October to further explain the program.
 3. CLMT (All) invite members we think may be interested in the program to attend our CLMT meeting in October. Also will invite council members.
 4. Elizabeth will reach out to the Spiritual Care Coordinator at Faith Lutheran Church to better understand what kind of program they are running.

Wedding Task force Update

1st meeting has taken place to organize which topics of concern will be addressed:

- Members vs. Non members getting married at FELC—options will be presented to the council for final decision
- Roles of the wedding coordinators and staff
- Fees

50+ Ministry Update

Elizabeth reported that this months event is not on the normal day because of the speakers schedule. Elizabeth is looking at sending out reminder cards again to those who normally attend; this will be discussed at the next 50+ planning meeting.

Fall Coffee Hour options

North Site—No Change, wait for Margaret's return before discussing

Downtown—Bakery volunteers will be contacted to bring baked goods for Rally Sunday, but going forward, there will not be any doughnut holes purchased for the downtown site. An announcement will be made and anyone interested in providing baked goods for Sundays are encouraged to sign up on the sheet outside the coffee area downtown. Cutting out the doughnut holes will save the congregation approximately \$3,000 a year.

Submitted by Deni Lundwall 9.9.09