

Ministry Team: Worship & Music

Meeting Date: September 10, 2013

ATTENDEES:

Jamie Parma
Jennifer Johnson
Rhonda Rossing
Karrie Aaseby
Jerry Lokensgard,
Linda Hash
Mary Feller
Jim Stellmacher
Pastor Jeff

Excused:

Jana Clement
Millie Rugland
Pete Vandenberg
Pastor Mary

New Task Force (see minutes for details):

- **November 3, 2013 Joint Worship Service Planning**

Ministry team minutes:

- Approval of August minutes - approved
- Finance/Budget
 1. Review expenses – Jennifer will be meeting with Barry Hoff to go over the budget in preparation for planning for 2014 budget process.
- Equipment / Software / Training – Recurring item
 - NS
 - Usage and equipment policy for people who are using music equipment at both sites—is this added on to the existing building policy. Jennifer will check with Brenda/Support Ministry team to see if this is included.
 - Lapel microphone update – we are no longer using lapel mics, they have all been replaced by ear mics. We have received very positive feedback about improved sound from both sites.
 - Soundboard – Jim Stellmacher and Dave Owens are planning to meet in the near future to redo the presets on the soundboard before training will take place with new volunteers.
 - DS
 - TV ministry – everything is on order with an anticipated installation/usage in October 2013.
- Worship Service Topics
 - Joint service at Lawrence – preliminary discussion has taken place via e-mail. Jennifer will work to schedule a meeting with those interested in planning (currently Pastor Mary, Jim Stellmacher, Kiki Kilburn, Julie Doerfler, Meri Hujet, Jamie Parma, and Jennifer Johnson) in the next couple weeks.
 - *Baptism coordinator/video taping— no update*
 - You Tube channel for church services—this is not a good platform for posting services. The files are too large to be easily uploaded and we may have copyright issues with music.
 - Service Information/Bad Weather scrolled at the top of website—Jennifer has spoken with Meri Hujet, and she is looking into adding a location at or near the “top” of the website for alerts.
 - NS: types of services – we had a good preliminary discussion about whether or not we want to offer just one type of service at the North Site or we want to make the two different types more distinct by considering offering a service that while being more “seeker friendly” would still incorporate essential elements of Lutheran worship. We agreed that further discussion and perhaps offering focus groups to discuss changes would be a good next step.
- Seasonal
 - Arts and Environment subcommittee – we agreed to table this discussion until Millie Rugland could be in attendance.
 - *Christmas trees: include in budget (keep in mind)- Karrie Aaseby will ask Barb Kuenzi to check with tree supplier.*
 - *Advent changes: turning the church (keep in mind)*
 - *Use special music fund in Advent*
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- Positions
 - Organist—Nathan Birkholz has been hired to be the organist/choir accompanist. His first Sunday will be September, 22, 2013.
- NS Facilities
 - Drum shield—it has not been sold yet. Jim Stellmacher has requested that we hold off on selling since he'd like to consider returning to a regular drum set instead of the electronic set that is currently in use.
 - *Sound system (speakers, not sound board)- we are still using the original speakers/amps from when the sanctuary was built. They are in line for updating.*
 - *Lighting – need better/more, especially if we expand video ministry.*
 - *Sunshade film for windows – tabled, not high priority at this time*
 - *Chair replacement- we agreed that the three items (sound system, sanctuary lighting, and chair replacement) should be referred to the Property Improvement committee to begin to be worked into the capital improvement budget. Jennifer will contact Rich Erickson to begin this process.*
- “Each ministry team will design one specific program or remodel an existing program to bring it more in line with the emphasis on invitation and the FELC mission statement: *Love Jesus. Live Your Call.*”
 - Lift up the idea of taking the NSRV Bibles to people outside of our church who would benefit from hearing God's word—newsletter; temple talk
 - Create an invitation to put in the bibles—the labels to place in the bibles have been prepared and Jamie will install them. Millie has prepared an article for the October newsletter, and we are planning to have a temple talk offered at each site.
- Staffing nursery at the NS—no updates.
- Email comments/questions – brief discussion was held about an e-mail from a member on a number of topics: Global Mission (Why we do what we do and when?) discussed offering an adult continuing education series, perhaps in Lent to discuss. Request for more educational information for the congregation about liturgy/seasons of the church (had been done via the assisting minister at the North Site and via printed information in the bulletins downtown). Better instruction/ nursery information for visitors with young families – this is something that should be assisted by the new Information Center Hosts.
- Oct. 20 – Worship Ministry team responsible for hosting Information Center. Jamie Parma and Pete Vandenberg will cover the North Site, Downtown – Linda Hash will cover the time before the 8:00 service, Mary Feller will cover between 8:00 – 9:15, and Karrie Aaseby will cover between 9:15 – 10:30.

Submitted by: Jennifer Johnson