

FELC Ministry Team Minutes

Ministry Team: Congregational Life

Meeting Date: September 8, 2015

ATTENDEES:

Sara Snyder, Chair
Deni Kuchler, Staff Rep
Megan Burns
Sherrill Moard
Margaret Zweig

EXCUSED:

Jon Hagen

Ministry Team Minutes:

Opening Devotion – Deni

Invitation and Hospitality Coordination: Still need to pass along information and suggestions from last month MT meeting (included in addendum to August minutes). Deni will coordinate with representative from Invitation and Hospitality.

Time and Talent: Forms to be distributed as part of upcoming stewardship program. There will also be monthly focus of opportunities to volunteer. Discussed ongoing problem of how to tap into talents of members and increase volunteer participation. Suggested another opportunity could include contact with confirmation parents. Sara was to connect with Kirsten.

Progressive Dinner: Still looking for host homes. Date to be determined by availability. Will continue to solicit volunteers to organize event.

Stephen Ministry: New class for Stephen Ministers has just started and will conclude in December. Class includes 6 FELC members and 3 members of First Congregational Church in Appleton.

Cradle Care Ministry: Deni introduced new program to minister to families expecting a new addition to the family either through birth or adoption. Each family is assigned a prayer partner to communicate throughout the pregnancy, birth and baptism.

Life Groups: Continue to explore new opportunities to help members connect and strengthen relationships within the congregation. Sherrill Moard reported on new activity "Pickle Ball" to be offered.

50+ Ministry: Trip to Horicon Marsh planned for September 16th. October 8 1 pm presentation about "Appleton in the 60s." November 12th Luncheon with presentation by Bob Damon on Technology." December 16 Advent worship and luncheon.

Submitted by: Margaret Zweig