

Worship and Music Meeting Notes

January 17, 2018

Attending: Kim Belletti, Vicki Steiner, Pastor Jami, Pastor Brian, Janet Filchner, Karen Koplín, David Ziegler, Trish Ninos

Not Attending: Ann Sassaman, Bruce Schnabel, Linda Mery

- Feb 4, Youth Group "Souper Bowl Offering Sunday"
- Feb 11, Boy Scout Sunday (Transfiguration Sunday)
- Feb 14 Ash Wednesday, services 11 am and 7 pm
- Mid Week Lenten services 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 11 am services with Pastor Brian, topic "Fruits of the Spirit," 7 pm services with Pastor Jami, topic "Forgiveness"
- Sundays in Lent 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18
- March 11, 10:30, First Holy Communion
- March 25, Palm Sunday
- March 29, Maundy Thursday, 11 am and 7pm svcs, Individual Absolution and Foot washing
- March 30 Good Friday, 12:00 Community Service, location TBD, 7 pm Tenebrae service at Hope
- Prayer Vigil March 30 11pm-5am Easter day
- April 1, Easter, 6am, 8am and 10:30 svcs
- May 13, 9:15 Sunday School Mother's/Father's day program
- May 27, 8 and 10:30 Recognize Armed Service people. Last day of Sunday School
- June 24, 9am, Send off Youth for ELCA youth gathering
- August 5, 9am Scholarship Awards
- August 26, 9am Blessing of the backpacks
- September 9, Sunday school Rally Day and Installation of Sunday School teachers

*We discussed the wearing of gowns for worship participants. Some were in favor of going back to gowns, some liked the casual atmosphere without gowns (except for Easter and Christmas services). PJ and PB will make a decision

*Shaking hands during flu is discouraged, but optional

*Altar flower sponsors are encouraged to take their flowers home after the 10:30 service

*PJ addressed the complaint made regarding the brass and festive nature on All Saints Sunday following the somber honoring of the departed Saints. She will address this in a newsletter for everyone's benefit

*Summer worship service will be at 9am only, with communion every week

*The senior choir will now be sitting in the pews instead of the choir loft, hoping to attract new members

* The junior and youth choirs have been combined

*PJ suggested considering changing the 11pm Christmas Eve service to an earlier time due to a trend of declining attendance. This will be discussed more at a later time.

Next Meeting; April 18, 2018 at 7pm

Worship and Music Meeting Notes
April 18, 2018

Attending: Pastor Brian, Bruce Schnabel, Vicki Steiner, Kim Belletti, Janet Filchner, Dave Ziegler, Karen Koplín, Linda Mery

Not Attending: Pastor Jami, Trish Ninos, Ann Sassaman

- Easter/Christmas Flowers
 - Penny Fasching will be taking over ordering Easter/Christmas Flowers – thanks to Deb Gardner for doing it for many years
- Christmas Eve Service times
 - It seems like there is little support for changing the Christmas Eve Service times
- Muhlenberg Gospel Choir
 - Will be singing at 10:30am service only on April 22nd
 - Committee decided to do a coffee hour after the service with coffee, cake, punch
- New Communion Liturgy
 - “Do this in Memory of Me” started on April 8 and will continue through the summer
 - Dave feels it is going well
- Worship Calendar Dates
 - May 20 – Pentecost – Confirmation at the 10:30 service
 - May 27 – Holy Trinity – Memorial Day weekend so recognition of military personnel
 - June 3 – summer schedule begins – one service at 9am
 - July 1 – both Pastors at ELCA Youth Gathering, Pastor Don Hayn will lead service
 - September 9 – return to normal worship schedule – 8am and 10:30am
 - October 28 – Reformation

Next meeting: August 29, 2018 at 7pm

Worship and Music Minutes
Wednesday, August 29, 2018
7:00 pm

Members Present: Kim, Janet, Karen, PJ, PB, Ann, Bruce, Vicki, Dave
Members Absent: Linda, Trish

- Regular worship times resumed on Sept. 9; Do This in Memory of Me liturgy will continue at communion services until Advent.
- The committee reflected on the 9 am summer worship time and decided this will stay as our summer schedule.
- The committee received an email via the church's website inquiring if it was ever considered to have a contemporary service as one of our services. Janet followed up with an email reply to the sender.
- Pastor Jerry requested the committee consider having the congregation stay seated for the singing of all hymns. The committee decided that we will continue standing for the singing of hymns, reminding the congregation that they are welcome to sit whenever needed.
- Some upcoming services:
 1. Reformation, October 28
 2. All Saints' Sunday, November 4 (PJ will write a newsletter article about the somberness of honoring departed saints vs. the festivity of honoring newly baptized saints)
 3. Pentecost 25, November 11 (also Veterans Day, veterans will be recognized)
 4. Thanksgiving Eve, November 21 (11 am and 7 pm)
 5. Christ the King, November 25
 6. Advent begins, December 2
- Next Meeting: Wednesday November 14, 2018 at 7 pm

Worship and Music Committee
Meeting Notes
November 14, 2018

Attending: Ann Sassaman, Pastor Jami, Trish Ninos, Bruce Schnabel, Janet Filchner, Karen Koplin, Linda Mery, David Ziegler, Vicki Steiner

Not Attending: Kim Belletti, Pastor Brian

- Thanksgiving Services
 - 11am and 7pm - Janet will be playing
- November 25th
 - Pastor Brian's last Sunday – Janet will be playing
 - Cake and coffee will be served after both services in the narthex
- November 26th
 - Christmas decorating starts
 - Decorating team will take over decorating the Advent wreath
- Mid- Week Advent Services
 - Janet and Vicki will be playing – using Holden Evening Prayer
- Communion Liturgy
 - The liturgy will change for the Advent season and will change again for the Christmas season
- Sunday School Christmas program
 - Scheduled for December 16th during 10:30 service – so there will be no liturgy
 - Snow date is December 23rd during Sunday School hour
- Christmas Eve Services
 - 4, 6, 8:30 and 11pm services
- December 30 – Sunday after Christmas
 - Service of Carols – Janet will be playing
 - 5th Sunday – communion at both services
- Contemporary Services
 - Janet received an email inquiry about having contemporary services
 - After committee discussion, this was tabled until the new year
- Other items
 - Communion Assistants – committee feels that only 4 communion assistants are needed at a service instead of 5
 - Youth will be caroling this year – Pastor Jami will find adults to help with this
 - Other items/suggestions to help Pastor Jami with Pastor Brian's departure
 - Bring in a guest preacher once a month to preach or have a presentation once a month
 - Have worship assistants that can help with chanting, etc.
 - After discussion about how little the nursery is used it was decided that as of January the nursery will be opened but will not be staffed with confirmation students and parents
 - Degradation of Internet speed – it was requested that a professional technical person be brought in to check out the service
 - Request brought forward that the church look into possibly hiring someone with technical expertise to handle videoing worship services

Next meeting: January 16, 2019, 7pm