

# Trinity Lutheran Church

## Worship Ministry Team

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### *Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2009*

**Attendees:** (*Members Present*) – Pr. Mathews, Edie Lloyd, Suzanne Bolig, Rita Evans, Bob Smith, Dee Smith, and Bob Davies (Chair).

(*Members Absent*) – Bill Oehler, Susan Bettum, Steve Bettum, Pat Kiefer, and Marci McDermott.

**Opening Prayer:** The meeting opened with prayer by the Pastor.

### **Items of Business:**

**Fall Startup:** Rehearsals will continue at 7 PM Thursdays, as in the past. Team Meetings will be after Choir at 7:30 PM, as in the past. (*On Meeting nights, Choir will start at 6:30.*) First Rehearsal – Thursday, Sept. 3rd.

**Pastor's Fall Vacations** – Given the increasing difficulty associated with obtaining supply pastors for the services, the congregation council has requested that the Worship Ministry Team take primary responsibility for and develop a strategy for providing for leadership for each of the services in the absence of the pastor. It is the consensus of the ministry team that every effort be exerted to identify an ordained pastor (ELCA or a denomination with which the ELCA is in full communion) in order for the eucharist to be celebrated at each of the services. The arrangements for supply pastors will be regularly reviewed by the ministry team so that appropriate arrangements can be made if an ordained minister is not available.

In 2009, the pastor will be on vacation on the weekends of September 26 and 27; and October 31/November 1.

The service on Saturday night, September 26 – will be covered by Pr. Ken Trexler. Arrangements for September 27 as well as October 31/November 1 still need to be determined.

#### **Fall Sunday Schedule**

Contemporary Liturgy: 8:15 to 9 am.

Sunday School: 9:30 to 10:15 am

*(Note: On the 2nd Sunday of each month there will be "mini service" to run from 9:30 to 9:50 am to accustom Sunday School students to the Sanctuary).*

Traditional Communion: 10:30 to 11:30 am

Coffee Hour: 11:30 am *(Note: On the 2nd Sunday of the month, there will not be Choir Practice).*

**Choir Anthems:** Edie has all the anthems scheduled through December, and luckily believes those for the second Sundays are familiar enough to not require a last minute rehearsal.

**Edie's Schedule** – She will be out the 2nd weekend in October and Thanksgiving weekend and has engaged *Nina Kouznetsov (Russian woman, who has substituted before)* to substitute.

In addition, the Contemporary Worship Sub-Committee is suggesting that on occasion, when Edie is on vacation, that the contemporary format be used at all three services as a way to introduce the entire congregation to this format. In addition, it would save the cost of contracting a supply organist.

**Acolyte Training** – Heather has requested training for either the Youth Groups' 9/14 or 10/8 meeting. I suggested Bill Hamersly and Joey Hamersly; Lizzie Godusky was also added. (*The Chair will also arrange his "business travel schedule" to be at least one meeting.*)

**Acolyte Robes** – Dee Smith volunteered to wash and iron them. (Acolytes have to be told to not drop them on the floor, or pick them up when they fall. There was a discussion on how to better label them.

**Hymns During Communion** – As the congregation doesn't seem to take part, it was agreed to drop the practice.

**Choir Members** – As we are losing members, it was agreed to have regular notices in bulletins and newsletters. (An e-mail is to be sent to Carole – Action: Bob)

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held at the Parish House on Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

**Closing:** The meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by R. E. Davies  
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