

Trinity Lutheran Church Clarks Summit , PA

Education Ministry Team Meeting

Meeting Date: Sunday, July 16, 2006

Members present: Pastor Mathews, Dick Yost, Shirley Buntrock, Kathy Mathews, Steve Bowman, Heather Klein, Debbie Miller

Topics discussed:

- Steve reviewed the “wish list” for a part-time youth director. He indicated that this person would be working closely with the youth directors of Epiphany and other churches in the Ministerium. He suggested that this person should be younger and able to relate to the issues of the middle and high school student.
- Adult Education plans to focus on the Bible. It is anticipated that the Acts of the Apostles will be the topic for the fall. With the events of recent days, current events will also be a topic of discussion for the Adult Education class. The importance of on-line communication was discussed. Is there some way to link the adult group with the children? A topic for the September 10, 2006 class needs to be determined.
- Sunday School plans to focus on learning the books of the Bible. There will be an effort to discuss little-known people from the Bible. A Christian Art Show was discussed as a possible theme for the Sunday School Open House.
- Vacation Bible School was held in conjunction with Church of the Epiphany. There were 50+ participants with an emphasis on “bring a friend.” Pastor has created a 7 minute DVD that highlights activities from VBS. It is anticipated that it can be used to promote VBS next year.
- A Youth Group / Sunday School bulletin board was discussed. This would be an area to share current and upcoming events.
- There was nothing new to report from Trinity Preschool or Confirmation Ministry.
- The possibility of a weekday Bible study was discussed. Dick Yost and Pastor discussed the “ebb and flow” of this format.
- The Women of Trinity are discussing the possibilities of a book club. They will continue a Bible study with women of the early Church or women of the Bible as topics.
- Parish Health Ministry plans its first fall meeting on September 12th with Debbie Miller presenting on the “Patient’s Bill of Rights.” October meetings include “Spirituality: A Life’s Journey” with Dr. Sciala and his wife, Mary, the Pastoral

Care Director of CMC, and a presentation on Sleep Disorders for the end of October. November's meeting is yet to be formalized with Systematic Training for Effective Parenting as a possible topic. There will be six weeks of yoga with Eileen Harte starting the beginning of November. There are three spots remaining to be filled in the Babysitting Class to be held at Trinity later this month.

- Pastor Mathews discussed a potential reorganization of Church Council. The Council would be responsible to the Mission of the Church and would achieve its goals through the work of 5 support "teams." He described the teams and how they would function to support the Mission of the Church.

Debbie Miller