

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Clarks Summit , PA**

Education Ministry Team

Team Meeting: Monday, February 4, 2008

Present: Pastor Mathews, Dick Yost, Kathy Mathews, Jan Huylo, Terry Bockelkamp, Heather Klien, and Carole Hamersly.

The meeting opened at 7:15 with a devotional reflecting on the Transfiguration with readings from 1 Peter. This was followed by discussion and prayer.

The minutes of the November 7, 2007 meeting were reviewed and a motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Heather Klien and second Janice Huylo. Motion passed. The minutes of the January 27, 2008 Sunday school meeting were provided and reviewed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUB COMMITTEE:

Heather reports that Akaloo will be continue to be used as the curriculum for all grades.

A survey was compiled by Heather regarding the use of Akaloo and the results discussed.

An idea that has arisen is that possibly on the Sundays that the children sing, the choir might forgo their anthem in order that the service not be over extended with all that occurs on a children's Sunday. There seems to be some feed back that the first Sundays of the month are running long and potentially, attendance is suffering from those who find it difficult to be at a long service. Another option might be that the children sing only every other Sunday.

Dick Yost can speak to Bob Davies, chair of the Worship Ministry Team for suggestions.

The monthly Sunday school letter will continue and will have added materials on the back for and from children.

The bonus lesson format will change to include "stations" that the children visit for different activities. This will not occur on an opening Sunday.

March 15 has been scheduled for the Easter Egg Hunt hosted by the Youth Group for the Sunday school, pre-school and community. Some teachers have offered their assistance as well.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Carole indicates that there will be VBS with the Church of the Epiphany next year, tentatively scheduled for the week of June 23 – 27 in the mornings.

CONFIRMATION:

Confirmation classes continue on schedule and Jan is continuing to assist with class time devoted to confirmation studies.

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY:

A program on Downs Syndrome will be presented on February 12 at Trinity.

YOUTH GROUP:

Youth group members will present a Lenten drama during the five services of Lent. They are currently involved in a Valentine's Day project. Upcoming events include Easter Egg Hunt, Dalton Food Pantry, Thrivent Helping Hands, St. Francis Kitchen and other opportunities. All info is available on the Trinity web site.

PRE-SCHOOL:

The most recent pre-school sub committee meeting was cancelled due to weather and will be rescheduled as a replacement for Bengt Berg (who has relocated to SC) has been identified.

OTHER:

The library continues to flourish under Terry Bockelkamp's guidance. Looking forward to expansion opportunities.

Lutheran Men in Mission hosted a men's breakfast, and has a calendar year of events planned.

The Women of Trinity continues to have monthly bible book/book club sessions.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 5, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Carole Hamersly