

Trinity Lutheran Church Education Ministry Team

Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2009

Attendees: Pastor Mathews, Dick Yost, Kathy Mathews, Debbie Miller, Terry Bockelkamp, Janice Huylo, Barbara Strangfeld and Carole Hamersly.

Opening Prayer: The meeting opened at 7:06 PM with devotion and prayer from Pastor “taking up the cross” (monthly resource from our website).

Minutes of the Prior Meeting: The minutes of the June 3, 2009 meeting were reviewed. No questions. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Terry Bockelkamp and second Janice Huylo. Motion passed.

Sub-Committee Reports:

Sunday School Sub Committee:

Heather Klien

Heather provided reports from the most recent Sunday school staff meeting, and upcoming Sunday school events and youth group. She also indicated that Cathy Sheffler will oversee the Christmas program with assistance from Susie Davis and costumes will be prepared by Dee Smith and Becky Godusky. Any others who choose to assist may do so.

Youth group:

Printed report provided.

Vacation Bible School:

Carole Hamersly

Over forty students attended VBS with 30-35 volunteers daily. \$475 was collected for the Lutheran Navajo school in Rock Point, AZ.

Confirmation:

Pastor Mathews

New student/parent orientation will be held September 15. Classes will begin on September 29. We are expecting four or five new students.

Parish Health Ministry:

Debbie Miller

Programs are being planned for upcoming months. AARP will be having a Mature Driver class in September. Many ideas have been suggested for community programs and Janice is following up on several of them.

Pre-School:

Barbara Strangfeld

A meeting was held to define a policy in the event of a Swine Flu outbreak. Information packets will be sent home with parents on orientation day and in the event of a large outbreak, the committee would meet to discuss school closure if needed.

The next meeting of the committee will be September 28 at 6:30 and the focus of that meeting will be to finalize policy regarding relationships and expectations with the NEIU for students who attend Trinity and receive services through the NEIU.

Adult Education:

Barbara Strangfeld

The Book of Faith will resume in October with five sessions. Barbara will order the curriculum and host sessions at her house. Stephen Bettum will resume his sessions on the first and third Sundays.

Women's Book Club/Bible Study:

Esther Semken is organizing a group that will begin shortly with daytime sessions. Information will follow in bulletins and e-mails.

Library:

The theme for this year is "Let Your Story Shine!". Many books on baptism are featured in conjunction with what Sunday school will be doing. Sponsor a Book continues to be featured on the table outside the library.

Additional Business:

ELCA National Youth Gathering:

The tri-annual *ELCA National Youth Gathering* was held in New Orleans in July with over 37,000 youth in attendance. Pastor indicated that the next event will be in 2012 and we might begin planning now for some of our youth to attend that event when and where it occurs.

Welcome Back Lunch:

Seventy-three members are signed up to attend the Welcome Back Lunch.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting will be held at the parish house on Wednesday, December 2nd, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

Closing:

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Carole Hamersly
September 14, 2009