

Worship and Music Minutes

11/6/14 6:00 pm

Old Business

1. Hearing induction:

No major comments have been made. One comment about piano not being loud enough, but the induction loop is geared more to the speaking voice, so adjustments can be made if needed. Pasot will make sure we have batteries accessible by the devices if needed.

2. Assisting ministers:

Pastor Steve will try to start incorporating some assistants this winter. He will try to have a short meeting with volunteers before he incorporates them into the service.

3. Speaker system:

Pastor Steve will ask Larry or Ben about setting a time when those people who deal with the sound could meet with them.

New Business

4. **Thanksgiving Eve Church Service** will be hosted by Holmen Lutheran Church at 7:00 pm. All are invited to join a combined choir. Deb Welander will have rehearsals at 10:00 am on Sundays for those interested in learning the anthem.

5. Bell choir news:

Brian Renkas shared that things were going very well and that he had many dedicated members. The bell choir will be performing during the Advent season. The children's chimes will also be soon be performing. The choral choir and the bell choir will combine to present an anthem during Advent. Foam for the tables will be ordered through the church office. If need be, money for the foam will come from memorials.

6. **ConFest:** Julie Gappa stated that the Young Adult Band did a great job in leading the music. This was a gathering for young people at Blair Lutheran Zion Church. The band is also preparing music for the Christmas season and may perform sometime in December.

7. Services for Christmas/New Year weeks

- **Agape and Rachel Kurtz Concert (hosted by Holmen Lutheran): Friday Dec. 5 @ 6:30 PM**

- **Intergenerational program: Saturday Dec. 13 @ 6:30 PM**

- **Quiet Christmas Wednesday Dec. 17 @ 7:00 PM**, Special Music by Patty and Jonah Denson

This service will also provide an opportunity for people to bring their candle from the "One Light Shining" challenge presented by Meredith Hink.

- **December 24** Candlelight Christmas Eve times:

- 4:00 PM Paula (organist) Special music: Brass Choir, Choir, any other?

- 6:00 PM Julie Gappa (pianist) Special music: Flute choir, Choir, any other?

- **Sunday December 28th**

- 9:30 AM pianist: Paula

- **Sunday Jan 4:** back to regular times 8:00 and 10:15. We will go to Setting 8, starting in January at the 8:00 service.

8. Other:

Discontinuing Wednesday Evening Services: Pastor Steve brought up the concern about lack of attendance at the Wednesday evening services. It has been discussed with the Vision Board and the Worship Committee. We will discontinue the Wednesday evening services. They will resume for special services, Lent and the summertime. Notice will be given in the Journ-E.

One Light Shining Challenge: Meredith Hink presented a "light" challenge for our congregation. She is challenging our congregation to be a "light" to someone else during Advent. The challenge involves spending at least one hour of service during Advent in service to another person. Meredith will be starting this challenge the first weekend of Advent (Nov. 29/30th).

9. **Hymns** were planned for 8:00 service through January 4, 2015. Pianists were scheduled for 8:00 service.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Welander