

Worship and Music Committee April 10, 2012

Minutes submitted by: Deb Welander

Old Business

•Review Lent/Easter

1. Haugen evening service - If the tessitura of the key is too high, use the electric piano. Otherwise, it was nice to have a variety of players and singers for the service. It was a nice combination of different musicians from both services.
2. Holy Week Services – Thanks to our musicians, brass players, and it was nice to hear the organ. The presentation of Rosie's song was wonderful.

•**10:15 service:** Consensus from the 10:15 musicians (at this meeting) that there is a need to focus on signing up for a particular service. Also discussed ways in which to introduce new players to the 10:15 so their skill level is ready to lead the service. Some discussion was stated about a summer music workshop for novice players.

New Business

•**Wedding policy:** Quick discussion on input for Wedding Policy. Asked members to voice concerns to Nancy Haese and she would include comments from us when in discussion. We talked about all chairs from the committees to meet, since it involves property, fellowship, worship, etc. Nancy will be looking into this.

•**Introduce WOV Setting 5 April 15 @ 8:15 am:** Pamphlet is printed for congregation. Kyrie sung by pianist this first week.

•**Hymn Planning:** did not accomplish, will assign two committee members to plan until end of May.

•Summer services

Wednesday: Pastor stated last week that we will hold Wednesday night services at Journey until Halfway Creek starts their services. Pastor should inform congregation when this will start. Perhaps he could give us a schedule of when Journey needs to “host” at Halfway. Also, we as musicians and parishioners can help with these services. So, once Pastor Steve gets this information, we can schedule various musicians to help and other parishioners to provide desserts, drink, etc.

Summer Sunday services were discussed in length. We decided to list both pros and cons and that the final decision would be made by Pastor. Deb Welander will make an appointment and discuss this with him. The services not only effect worship planning, but also fellowship, property, and altar guild schedules. Alter guild will plan a meeting for scheduling once the summer schedule is set.

The following pros and cons were discussed at the meeting.

One Summer Sunday service:

Pros

- Unifies us as a congregation
- Mixture of musicians, musicians get to know one another (*Personal note: as a musician, I would like to play different styles and get to know other musicians from the congregation.*)
Piano and other musicians: scheduling is easier if we spread out the duties for musicians (they go on vacation during summer, etc.)
- Blend of styles: A small amount of contemporary liturgy with contemporary songs and a few standard hymns or just go with Contemporary?
- Rehearsal for musicians could be before the Sunday service, instead of a separate night rehearsal
- Fellowship: plan for one fellowship, congregation gets to know one another (there is still such a separateness)
- Altar guild: plan for one service.
- Time: **9:30** A nice average between 8:15 and 10:15
- Bible study can still be planned after the service if continuing during summer

Cons

- Doug Myrhe stated that if summer Sunday service is one service, our giving amount would go down.
- Some people only want to come at an early or a late time.
- Some parishioners only like one style of service. Would not offer two separate styles during the summer.