

Worship & Music Committee Minutes

Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 7:00 PM

Attendees: Gordon S, Pastor Fred, Sheri S, Kevin S, Sandy S, Julie S, Jessie A, David B, Lynn S
Excused: Carol S

1. Opening Devotions – Lynn

Thoughts on Ephesians 5:19-20. Singing from our heart and praising God. Ministering through song to those around us in the congregation. Keeping in mind that the familiar hymns should be mixed with new ones.

2. Discussion and observations relating to services since our last meeting

- a. Easter week: positive feedback throughout the week. Palm Sunday: Sandy missed Ride On Ride On in Majesty, others thought it was overused in past. Last minute palm plants needed to be rearranged. Need to think about cameras for YouTube worship. Will coordinate with technology director in future. Good Friday was especially wonderful! The music! The service! Easter Sunday: Some thought the brass/choir was underwhelming.
- b. Singing of Psalms: Nice for Easter season. Kevin brought up it's not as welcoming to visitors. Positives and negatives to singing Psalms. We decided

3. Upcoming Calendar

- a. Selection of Liturgical setting for Pentecost (starting June 8): setting 3
- b. Summer Music: Julie is working on schedule for special music
- c. Summer Church at Germania Park: Pastor reached out to the other Lutheran churches we have partnered with in the past. They are not interested. It requires much organization and logistics to be at Germania. Tabled for now. Possibly consider TLC doing Energizer at Germania?

4. Old Business

- a. Appraisal of Organ/bells and insurance: According to John, our treasurer, the organ is a fixed installation and therefore part of the church. Church insurance will be increased to cover organ.
Bells are a separate insurance since they are mobile and go off campus.

5. Round table discussion of any additional business

- Sandy: would like to see traditional Lord's prayer said in church. We decided to use this version once a month.
- Sandy also brought up that Sue Lesher would like to make additional banners. Pastor agreed this would be nice. We discussed and decided to give Sue some parameters to go by. A particular message or Bible Verse to Work around. i.e. church season, creation, Trinity, cross, communion, particular Psalm. Sandy will talk to Sue.
- FYI: Our guest vocalists, Austin Kurbansade and Nicole Uvenio will be getting married in July. Council approved monetary donations for a gift. Anyone who would like to donate the details are in the newsletter.

6. Volunteers Needed

- THANK YOU, CAROL FOR VOLUNTEERING TO LEAD ALTAR GUILD**
- Hymn selection for June: Sheri, thank you. July: Julie and Lynn will do.
- Opening devotions for June meeting: no volunteers, Gordon will take the lead.

7. Closing Prayer