

Worship and Music Committee of Trinity Lutheran Church, Dover, NJ  
July 16, 2019  
**MINUTES**

**Roll Call:** Jessie Andrews, David Bernauer, Sandy Sheridan, Barbara Terreri, Julie Sauder, Pastor Fred Becker, Judy Miller, Sheri Sauer, Lynn Sienkiewicz  
Excused: Shelley Svoboda, Kevin Seidel

**Devotions:** Julie Sauder – prayer, reading from the book of Amos

**Round Table:** Julie – placement of prelude  
Sheri – Microphone on assistant minister?  
David – Bells  
Sandy – Hymn verses

**Old Business:**

1. Picking hymns for Sundays: August done by Sheri – TY; September – Sandy; October – David
2. Status of 2 new fair linens: delivered
3. Re-evaluation of sanctuary noise before start of service: Quiet is working, but concerns raised – Too long of a quiet period; feels like a stage performance for Julie; feels like a business meeting; a couple Sundays there has been lots of talking in narthex and crowded with people.  
Suggestion: silence as people enter sanctuary(members will be able to hear bell ring) >Bell ring at 9:25am >30 seconds of silence>1<sup>st</sup> prelude>Pastor gives Word on the day>2<sup>nd</sup> prelude.
4. Wednesday dinner church feedback: First week only Pastor and Lynn attended at “Table 42”. Lynn asked members for probable attendance this week, to get a better idea to give to “Table 42”. 10 members expect to attend. (post meeting: attendance was 13 members on July 17. We will not have dinner church on July 24 due to Pastor being out of town) Dinner church will meet at “Table 42” on July 31, then move to “Corner Bistro” in Randolph for August.
5. Fall Worship Schedule: 2 to 1 in favor of one service so far. Pros stated: full church; see everyone in membership; singing is more abundant. Cons stated: some members think 9:30am is too late while others feel it is too early; Adult Ed and Sunday school? Adult Ed has said they will move to 8:30am.
  - Survey monkey results will be tallied by July 20. Worship and Music committee will meet after church on Sunday, July 21 to discuss results and recommendation to council. \*see Sheri’s minutes from that meeting\*
6. Leader Training: Saturday, September 28. Decided on a 9am meeting with breakfast items provided. Barbara and Pastor still need to discuss details.

7. Worship Leader Assignments: Poster board sign up is working well, maybe too well? Members are over signing up and other members are not getting the opportunity to lead. We will go forward with a 3-month sign-up poster and ask people to sign up only once in the month to start. The sign-up will go to council first, then Pastor for approval of assisting ministers and then the general congregation.
- Concerns regarding locking front door during service and people can't get in. Solution: a lock will be installed upstairs to doors in Faith Kitchen and door to hallway will continue to be locked therefore preventing anyone from roaming the church who should not be. The ushers will hopefully see and greet anyone coming into the narthex and direct them into church or another appropriate area.
  - Microphone for assisting ministers at altar too costly at this time and they will be instructed to speak in a louder voice when at the altar. The church will need to change our sound system to a new radiofrequency in the next 3 years so changes may be made then.
8. Annual Planning Guide:
- Idea for Energizer Sunday, September 8.
    - "Revival/Camp Meeting Theme" suggested by Sheri and Pastor Fred. W&M Team on board with theme. Discussed how to bring "Camp/Revival songs into service.
    - Brainstormed songs and the following were suggested: Lord of the Dance; Pass It On; We Are One in the Spirit; Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (What a Fellowship); Praise Ye the Lord, Alleluia; Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy, Down in My Heart; Peace Like a River; This Little Light of Mine; Banner Over Me is Love; Amen.
    - Fellowship Team will organize Picnic at Hedden Park (Cliff and Dawn aware)
    - Living for Giving Team will organize God's Work, Our Hands projects.
    - Worship and Music Team will organize service and music.
  - Reformation Sunday – October 27 – discuss next meeting
  - Future Planning: Thursday Advent suppers before worship? Discussed we would like to have but should keep it simple and not provide soup. Suggested to bring your own sandwich/salad/dish and drinks, chips and dessert will be provided. Discussed that this is really something for Fellowship Team to organize and Lynn will contact Cliff and Dawn to discuss.
    - Discussed that it would be nice to invite St John's Episcopal and First Presbyterian to join us.
    - Recommended that we use Holden Prayer service Format.

### **New Business:**

1. Ironing Board for Banners/Decorations to be purchased from Bed, Bath and Beyond by Decorating Committee.
2. Budget for 2020 – due in August
  - We are on budget for 2019
  - Musicians /music purchase came from Goddard gift, not budget.
  - Finance/Stewardship suggested committees give a stretch budget, things we would really like but out of our usual realm.  
Wish list: Guest musicians; Grand Piano (~\$10,000); Decorations/banners for sanctuary (~\$1,500 - \$2, 000); New tree or trees for forest at Christmas time.
  - Liturgical dancers brought up for discussion. Decided it would be nice to have an in house or visiting group do this in Lent. Will discuss later in fall.
3. Alternate green paraments. There are different choices and various ones will be used throughout the season.
  - On August 11 another green parament will be swapped out for what is presently being used.
  - Sept 29 will be white paraments for observance of “St. Michael and All Angels”
  - October we will use a different green parament then earlier in the fall.
4. Bell Choir: difficulty getting enough people plus Jeffery is juggling a new job and getting married on Sept 22. Dave brought up that his mother, Louise Olshan would like to borrow bells the beginning of December and it was stated that it wouldn't be a problem if Bell choir isn't playing that Sunday.

**Sub-Committee Reports:** Decorating Team will meet Sunday, August 4

**NEXT MEETING DATE: August 20, 2019 @ 7:00pm**