

DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 13, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Members:

Lisa Bansen-Harp (Deacon)-Excused	Jon Hauerwas (Pastor)
Sheila Svoboda (DCFM)	Ed Labbe (Elder)
Marian Wahl (Deacon)	Cathy Melver
Mallory Gray (Youth Coordinator) - Excused	Rae Leonard

Opening Prayer

Approved July 9, 2019 minutes

Approved Agenda

UPDATES:

YOUTH EDUCATION/ACTIVITIES – Mallory Gray

- Service event update
 - July 27th 8:30-11:30 Food Bank – Review – 2 Youth; 2 Adults – Went well.
 - August 3rd - Offering our services to the congregation – Handled a couple of household requests
 - August 15 at Ohio Living Rockynol playing bingo and doing interviews with residents in the Memory Care Unit - Postponed
- Next event: Back-to-School Pool Party – 8/25/19 (Prob not at JCC) – Plans?
- Vision Team status - Looking for two new members
- Sunday School Teacher status – All are returning
- Youth Coordinator Office Refresh – Started – Getting needed bids via Home Depot.
- 2020 will be a Confirmation year – primarily directed at Grades 7-9

PRAYER QUILT MINISTRY – Marian Wahl

- Many quilts – Meet again in September.

ADULT EDUCATION - Rae Leonard

- Jon and Rae will work together for the first 8 Sundays in the fall to team teach a discussion of Wisdom's Literature...Plans are in good shape.
 - Rae will do three weeks of intro
 - Jon will do the next 3 in detail
 - Rae will do the last two (New Testament)
- There will be a video series on Buddhism for the 4 Sundays in November.
 - Space - Ohio Living under consideration?
- Rae will be teaching in December. Tentative topic for Advent.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES - Sheila Svoboda

- VBS: 'The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss' – 7/8-7/11- Went great!
- Children's & Family Ministry Team will meet in September.
- Meeting with Tween teachers – Decided to do Book Study (Richard Rohr)
- Library Conversations – A couple handouts for starters. Will query class for ideas.

- Rally Day (First Day of Sunday School) is 9/8 – Rae will do Moment for Ministry.
- Tween Event at Get Air – Chapel Hill – 9/29 11:30 – 2:00 – Being Planned
- Sheila is working with Claudine to come up with Tween schedule handout.

- *Our Whole Lives: Sexuality and Our Faith* training plans for three teachers/facilitators : Mallory Gray; Andi Jopperi; looking for a male

LIBRARY REFRESH - Cathy Melver

- Cathy prepared a Session-approved survey on library use. It will be distributed by Survey Monkey and by bulletin insert. Cathy reviewed the questions at the meeting with some minor wordsmithing and formatting suggestions. She will finalize and publish with Jon's consent.

CHURCH-WIDE DISCIPLESHIP EVENTS

- Ice Cream Social – 8/18 after 3rd Sunday Dinner (6:00)
 - Entertainment: Sarah Matheny and Sam Sapp will present music/nature program “Songs and ‘Tails’ of the Woods” at a cost of \$75 to the church.
 - Marian is in charge of ice cream – All looking good.
- Keep in mind for next year: Soup Fest and Jeopardy, Westminster Edition.
- Deacons will be in charge of the food side of the equation
- Lisa will not be able to lead this due to family health commitments.
- Fellowship: Goal is to gather people every two months or so for an outing or dinner.
- Some adults are attending the Murder at the Mansion at Stan Hywet on October 11. Advance tickets are needed for this.
- We could always do an Adult Fellowship dinner
- Erin Spring may organize Dinner Groups

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Artistic/Educational Program at Weathervane Playhouse about Teen Suicide.
 - The program is \$200 (Shelly Koutnik will donate this fee).
 - We can use the local Pentecost funds for expenses and advertising (\$386.40).
 - Plan for November. Mallory to suggest 11/10 to the contact, but is having trouble getting in touch. – Update?
 - We will plan for a luncheon after the church service. Maybe chicken with salads.
 - Leftover Pentecost funds would be donated to a directly related charity.
- Eberts Lecture – June 2020
 - Jon reached out to Will Willimon. He can do June 6-7, 2020. He could lecture on Sunday morning before worship, preach, and lecture again after worship.
 - He usually does not receive less than \$1,000 to \$2,000. We have \$2500 in the Eberts Lecture budget. With anticipated distributions over the next year, we should have almost \$3,500. We can also reach out to other congregations for participation and funding assistance for a well-known speaker.
- Sheila is discussing with Claudine about the addition of a “bookmark” containing a version of the message about welcoming children in worship to be placed in the pews with the envelopes.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Andi Jopperi inquired about the possibility of Westminster offering a family camp next summer. We request that she propose any ideas to the committee. An alternative discussed was a retreat at a park shelter (like Sand Run).

Closing Prayer

Next meeting – September 10, 2019 @ 7 p.m.