

Messiah Lutheran Church
Learning Committee - Minutes from December 5, 2018

Members present: Carol Green, Helga Jensen, Donny Loewen, Cheryl Nester, Dianne Nigh, Maria Skriver, Dave Stolee, Pastor Bev Swanson.

Chairperson Cheryl called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm, and invited members to share current events from their lives. Donny led in devotions, focusing on the will of God, trust in Him, and guidance for our paths.

Adult Learning: Six presenters are confirmed for the Christmas panel on December 16. Carol and Cheryl will decorate, Donny will make coffee, and each member will bring a dozen treats.

The World Mission Group will schedule speakers for January, and the Service Committee for February.

Jennifer Willes has been confirmed for March 10 to speak on MAID.

Additional topics and speakers were discussed for March and April.

Rick Bergh Workshop: Pastor Rick Bergh will be at Messiah on the weekend of March 22-24, 2019, presenting a workshop on Saturday on anticipatory grief and loss, or a related subject. His fee will be \$1,000.

The workshop will be planned for 9:00 to 4:00.

Carol will coordinate publicity, promotion and registration.

Dianne will approach the Camrose funeral homes for possible sponsorship.

Donny will coordinate hospitality, especially lunch.

A registration fee will be set in January.

Pastor Bergh has offered to meet with a group of youth on the Friday night and is willing to lead the adult study on Sunday morning and preach at the Sunday service.

Family and Youth: Pastor Bev reported that high school youth activities are now being combined for Bethel and Messiah, under the leadership of Tova Olson and Bev Blue. Their next event is a cookie bake.

Pastor Bev also advised of a multi-generational family night planned for December 16, and that she and Dale are again planning a dinner at church between Christmas Eve services intended primarily for people who are alone at Christmas. Others are also welcome.

Committee Terms of Reference: Added to January agenda.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 9 at 4:45 pm. Devotions: Helga

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Stolee, Secretary