

Minutes of the Worship Board, Union Church, Berea, KY

Wednesday, June 18, 2014

Members Present: Dorie Hubbard, Rhonda Edwards, Abigale Embry, Maya Todd (also present: Rev. Rachel and Rev. Kent)

Kent offered a devotional reading from “The Art of the St. John’s Bible,” (Hannah’s Prayer from 1 Samuel).

Old Business

- Abby told us that Gabriel Evans has been hired as the new choir director. He comes to us from Winchester and will start July 1. His official title is Director of Music Ministry. His salary will be between \$22,000 and \$23,000 as Shirley will remain with the bell choir. Gabe is also attending UK, working on his Masters. He will be officially introduced in an edition of our monthly publication, Consider.
- Kent told us the bids would go in Friday for floor finishing and carpets and that a pick would be made on Monday.
- Ideas continue to be kicked around about services during renovations. Maya asked Kent and Rachel how they felt about night services. They both liked the idea for the time period discussed. Rachel said that it might be easiest to plan all evening services in Cowan, and Dorie said she would like to see those services come from the Iona Abbey Workshop book (this idea was agreed up by all).
- Kent said that Cowan is not amplified for hearing assistance devices and that we might not be able to broadcast from there. It was agreed that the night service would begin at 7 pm and that child care would be provided. Kent will talk to Gabe about music for those services. He also said he would check with Dave about pulling child care and musician money from the renovation fund and that he will also ask Dave if we can get a signal in Cowan for broadcasting.
- Dorie said there would need to be signs and greeters at the doors where people normally enter so that they can be directed to Cowan. Maya volunteered to write an announcement for the bulletin about services in Cowan.
- Dorie broke down greeter positions as:
 - 2 outside each door at the front of the church
 - 1 inside the narthex
 - 1 outside the back door
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She also said that the greeters at the inside front and the inside back need to stay in position until the processional. It was also suggested that greeters might wear stoles so they could be easily identified. Abby volunteered to start on the stoles.

New Business

- Kent had an art question to add to the agenda: Can we think about purchasing art work from the book he read from?
- More greeter discussion: Dorie said she recently met an newly attending couple; they were very enthusiastic about greeting. Dorie also thought more greeting training might be in order. Humbly, she told Kent that he was right about greeting outside, shaking hands, etc.
- Kent said that “in pew” training each Sunday might work well, a little bit each week. Rachel said a nice idea for the fall might be a greeter party with training.
- For July Communion: Rachel will find a bread baker; she said we have a mix that will take us through six months and that each loaf can be made ahead and frozen. Abby will set up the altar and Maya will cut up the bread and set up the juice.
- Kent told us there is a CD with images for the St. John’s Bible. He thought possibly that purchasing the CD would give us freedom to use the images. He said there were many spaces in the church that could benefit from reproductions. They would cost about \$350 each and \$200.00 to frame. The money could come from the Worship and Art fund.
- He also said that Summer Stevens, Debbonnaire’s sister, does portrait quilts. She could do a pen and ink of Matilda Fee for \$300.00. It was discussed and decided that until we know how much the reproduction project will be, we are unable to commit now. It will be brought up again next month.
- The last discussion was about having a spousal recognition get-together to thank our better halves for helping out. Dorie said she wanted to include Lisa and David, and Carla and Kevin who continue to assist whenever called upon. We decided to have a cook-out at Kent’s on Wednesday, August 6, at 5:30 pm.

With a reminder that our next meeting is July 9 at 10 am, this meeting was adjourned.