

**ORCHARD VALLEY PASTORAL CHARGE
CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Thursday, May 18, 2017

Present: Cheryl Hill, Kathy Schofield, Judy Norton, Linda Draper, Lorna MacNeil, Andy Pitter

Regrets: Meg Townsend, Amanda Dominey, Heather Hennigar

Volunteer chair and opening prayer: Judy

Minutes: April 20, 2017; approved

Old Business

Duty of Care work: Linda Foote does not need to do a criminal record. There are always screened teachers nearby.

Camp Sponsorship: Congregational Life received \$700 in donations so far. Andy moved that the committee pay the registration fees for three families (nine children and five adults) who have requested help with attending Berwick Camp for a total of \$600. Lorna seconded. CARRIED. This money can go towards accommodations if not used for registration. Cong Life will pay the rest of the fees one way or another. Any requests to attend Sherbrooke Lake will go to Cong Life (and if need be we can make decisions via email). Andy will put in an announcement re transportation help.

Senior's Worship: Communications gave us June's date at Kings Riverside Court. We will use a Pentecost theme: Judy gave Linda materials. CD will take Jan/Feb next year.

Y'all Come to Supper: next supper is May 23. George Dunfee maybe or beach crafts, parachute games, etc.

Curriculum: not ordered yet as not yet available

Facilities Needs: we had discussed this via email and a meeting on Sunday, May 7, and then submitted our wish list to the Facilities Needs Committee. Judy highlighted the need for a large meeting room for 15-20 or more people (e.g. church parlour).

Correspondence: none

Reports

Seekers: no activity (they did not attend Coldest Night). Most of the group is graduating this year.

Children at 9 am worship: grown since December. 9-10 kids is the max for what Judy does with them. Carolyn Bishop, Meg, and older Bishop children help.

Lectionary: continuing without Judy

Sun School: Linda said Myah Hawley and Grace Oleskevich's 2nd session of teaching the younger children went well: Myah and Grace were patient and helpful. Younger kids see older ones helping and making a contribution. Myah and Grace learning more by teaching. Life experience for future work.

New Business

Sunday School closing and picnic: June 11. Pentecost theme to worship and closing. Old fashioned theme to picnic. Heather will donate ice cream. Cong Life will look after hotdogs and potluck items. Chris Seymour will lead games and Andy will dig out equipment (including tug of war rope?). Hilda Burton donated candy for scramble last year. Linda and others can pull out Little Tykes equipment on day. We will use kites for prizes for those who win the races and little gifts for everyone else.

Mark Pound's request for LLWL funding: Presbytery had said we need to have a called and settled minister before we bring them any applications for Licensed Lay Worship Leader or any other kind of ministry. The program will accept him without approval and he and Ivan began applying for a Congregational Learning Grant. But we feel without approval it is not wise to proceed. Ivan will tell Mark.

Next meeting: Aug 31, 2017

Closing prayer: Judy