Refrigerator News October 14, 2018



Isn't this the way the world should be!

Monday, October 15

9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study **Tuesday, October 16**

4:00 p.m. Music and Worship 7:00 p.m. Stewardship

Thursday, October 18

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
Thomas's

Leadership Team Minutes of September 27, 2018

Present: Paul & Cheryl Thomas, Sara & Marv Loutsenhizer, Jan Williams, Bob & Marty Kaylor, Carolyn Egolf, Judy Steckly, Marilyn Drudge, and Jan Ward

Devotions by Jan Ward, after which minutes of Aug. 23 meeting were approved.

Pastors' Reports: Copies of report of the September's activities distributed. Cheryl challenged us for 100 in attendance before year's end.

- 1. Paul announced first gym night is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 5.
- 2. Cheryl is inserting information into digital sign, as is Sheryl Patterson.
- 3. Paul reported computer in Youth Room is working.
- 4. Paul is in conversation with Pat Boles of Ft. Wayne Community Schools regarding our offering the usage of the former computer lab for Adult Basic Education classes as a community outreach.
- 5. Three Shepherding Groups are meeting.
- 6. District Women's Retreat will be held at Bremen Church March 23, 2019. Lincolnshire is considering hosting a Women's Retreat Saturday March 30. Women from First Christian and Honduran churches may be invited. Proposed leader is Debbie Roth, writer, speaker, and singer.
- 7. Cheryl has resigned from national On Earth Peace Board.
- 8. Samuel Dali from Nigerian congregation is currently serving at Bethany Seminary. He will be contacted to speak at Lincolnshire during Sunday School time Nov. 11—Global Missions Sunday-- as well as participate in worship.

Calling & Discernment—Marty Kaylor:

- 1. Annual Conference delegate is Heather Grady. Alternate is needed.
- 2. Chair & Co-Chair for Leadership Team 2019-2020 are being sought.
- 3. Ten positions on Leadership Team need to be filled for terms beginning July 1, 2019.

Christian Education—Judy Steckly:

- 1. Marlene Bell is helping Amy Kolb with teens & youth during Sunday School.
- 2. Kassie Griffith has joined Christian Education Ministry team.
- 3. Paul thanked for his organizing and planning for Gym Night outreach.
- 4. Adult classes are going well.

Outreach & Caring—Sara: Loutsenhizer:

- 1. Noise level in sanctuary prior to worship is being monitored, and situation seems to be improving.
- 2. Usher shortage is resolved by directly asking persons to serve.
- 3. Stew for Camp Mack Festival is not being made due to high costs and lack of persons to help with the project.

Property Management—Marv Loutsenhizer:

- 1. Repair of windows in sanctuary is planned for this fall.
- 2. Howard Pletcher & Marv Loutsenhizer pulled out shrubs by parsonage.
- 3. Jack Steckly has been doing painting at parsonage.
- 4. New mower is working fine.
- 5. Dead tree by parsonage was removed.

Stewardship—Bob Kaylor:

- 1. Annual reports for congregational meeting packets are due by Oct. 7.
- 2. Stewardship devotional booklets will be distributed Sept. 30.
- 3. Budget has been increased due to insurance costs. Budget totals approximately \$130,000. Further adjustments may be necessary pending pledges.
- 4. Pledge Sunday is October 7.

Treasurer—Marilyn Drudge:

- 1. Final budget will be voted on at October Leadership Team meeting.
- 2. Accounts and General Fund are decreasing due to expenses exceeding giving. Unexpected repairs/outreach payments explain part of the deficit.
- 3. Camp costs and percent church pays needs to be addressed prior to camp registrations next spring.

Worship & Music—Paul & Cheryl Thomas:

- 1. Question regarding Christmas Walk/Bazaar was raised, as interest has been expressed. Outreach & Caring will address this at Oct. 10 meeting.
- 2. Sermon themes are planned through August 2019.
- 3. Promise books will be ordered.
- 4. Cheryl T. is directing bell choir, and Bob Kaylor was commended for his excellent planning and directing of the chancel choir.
- 5. Music & Worship is developing long-term charts/calendar items.

Additional Items:

Possibility of Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners will be considered by Outreach & Caring.

Lori Linn's Garage Sale is Oct. 13 in Fellowship Hall with follow-up Oct. 15.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Paul. Notes by Carolyn Egolf

Helping each other...

There is no more important work in this world, no greater duty, than to help others to keep up their courage.



(Telephone number and email remain the same.)



"Gym Night" is a weekly time of fun for fourth graders through high school seniors. It is for children/young adults who attend Lincolnshire as well as for community children/young adults. The

activities or games provided will not be for skilled athletes. We are not teaching athletic skills but rather we are teaching how to have fun. The activities or games will be things that children/young adults can do and enjoy.

We will try to have 2 groups on Gym Night. One group will be for 4th graders through 6th graders and the other group will be for 7th graders through seniors. Gym Night will start Monday, November 5, 2018 and last through Monday, May 20, 2019. We will follow the FWCS school calendar for vacation dates and for school closings.

REGISTRATION for GYM NIGHT is October 14 (Sunday) from 5:30 – 7:00 and on October 22 (Monday) from 5:30 – 7:00. Hotdogs and s'mores by the fire pit will be served! Registration forms are available in the church office, at the Hospitality Table and at the back of the sanctuary. Forms can be given to Pastor Paul.

A very special "THANK YOU" to Amber and Ryan Perry for allowing us to use this heart touching picture of their daughters, Zuri who is 5 ½ years old and Skylar who is 4 years old. Both girls are often at Lincolnshire with their big sister Lyrric and with their proud grandparents, Deb and Allen Shaw.



Their precious smiles are indeed a reflection of God's love for all His children. A very special thank you to Ruth Strole for sending this picture and for sharing the wistful thought... "Isn't this the way the world should be?"