Refrigerator News February 11, 2018

"And now these three remain: FAITH, HOPE and LOVE. But the greatest of these is LOVE."

1 Corinthians 13:13, NIV

This Week at Lincolnshire

<u>Monday, February 12</u> 9:15 a. m. Women's Bible Study

<u>Wednesday, February 14</u> Valentines Day 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service

> Thursday, February 15 7:00 Men's Bible Study at Bickels

Leadership Team Minutes of January 25, 2018

Pastor's Report: A printed report of Paul & Cheryl's activities during Dec./Jan. was shared, with Advent noted as a "Holy Time." A slide presentation Jan. 28 will review Lincolnshire events and people involved from April till now.

Sermon Series beginning Feb. 4 will focus on the *Purpose-Driven Church*. As part of the 5 to 7 week emphasis, options include a Fri. night/Saturday Retreat or lunchtimes following worship for discussion & "brown bag" lunch. **An ad hoc Committee** to serve as liaison between congregation and pastors is being called, will meet "as needed," and responsibilities include communicating information and negotiating salaries/benefits at appropriate time.

Christian Education—Judy Steckly:

1. District Women's Retreat is April 7 at Columbia City COB with David Radcliff as speaker. Registration forms will be available. Judy moved Lincolnshire be a sponsor by sending \$25 from the Adult Education line item. Terri seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2. Lincolnshire Women's Retreat is the planning process.

3. Sunday school program for Preschool through 3rd grade costs \$100 a year. Judy opted out for last 2 quarters as materials are on hand.

4. VBS—First Christian Church wants to join Lincolnshire for VBS in July. Event will be held at Lincolnshire. Judy moved and Marty seconded that \$100 from Summer Program/VBS line item be spent for VBS kit.

5. Meetings are being held to plan new approaches for reaching/teaching students in 4th grade through teens. Several ideas were shared. Next meeting is Jan. 30 at 6:30 in Pastors' office.

6. A volunteer sheet for ministry to children and youth will be available soon.

7. Storage: Pastors, along with volunteers, are organizing decorations, props, and supplies. Most props will be on main floor, and children's lesson materials and art supplies will be in Craft Room downstairs. **Outreach & Caring-**- Jan Ward:

Dates to note: Tuesday, March 13 –Kitchen Clean-Up Potlucks: Feb. 11-Valentine potluck

Others: Mar. 11, April 15, May 20, and June 10. .

Oct. 31—Trunk or Treat

Possibilities: Game night, Movie night

A grief group will be led by Pastor Paul and Darlene Smith.

Stewardship--Bob Kaylor:

Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Monthly income exceeded expenses, and 2017 ended with balance of over \$33,000 in General Fund. Christmas Eve offering of \$715 went to EYN (Nigeria).

Ordinances—Bob Kaylor

Group will meet in February to plan communion.

Worship & music—Terri Woods:

- 1. Meeting date for this group is fourth Tuesday of each month.
- 2. Procedure sheet has been prepared for acolytes. .
- 3. Dates to note:

Feb. 14—Lent begins. Ash Wednesday Service

Mar. 29—Maundy Thursday Love Feast/Communion

- April 1—Easter Sunrise Service 7:30 A.M., Breakfast 8:00 A.M. Worship 9:00 A.M. (No Sunday School)
- 4. Flowers will be ordered with forms available later.

Property Management: Items noted were . . .

- 1. Brighter bulbs now in Fellowship Hall
- 2. Brick work on northeast corner of building has been done.
- 3. Dahm Roofing has been contacted to... a. Inspect roof b. Clean gutters c. Repair heat tape in gutter area near front door.
- 4. Motion lights outside front door are working again.

Calling & Discernment—Marty Kaylor:

- 1. Search continues for someone to serve as chair of Leadership Team.
- 2. Ministry Surveys were distributed to congregation Sunday Jan. 21.
- 3. District Conference is at Camp Mack in Sept. A delegate and alternate will be called.
- 4. Congregational meeting to affirm those called to Leadership Team
- and as District Conference delegate and alternate is Sunday, April 22. Next Leadership Team meeting is Thursday, Feb. 22 at 7:00 P.M.



Today's sermon speaks to the Five Dimensions of Church Growth.

If we are to be a purpose driven church, we need a new perspective, one that looks through the lens of 5 New Testament purposes and see how God intends for the church to balance all 5 purposes. Strong churches are built on purpose. By focusing equally on all five of the purposes, we will develop the healthy balance that creates lasting growth. Proverbs 19:21 states, "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." Plans, programs and personalities do not last. Times change, people change, life rolls on. But God's purposes do not change. God's purposes will last.



THE KIDS CORNER

Guess what! Our kids now have their very own mailboxes! They are located along the bottom row of the mailbox stand. Today there are Valentine sacks that hold Valentine cards, candy and other reminders of how important and loved they are by their Lincolnshire family. There are Valentine cards at the back of the sanctuary for you to sign and slip into their sacks this morning. **Won't they be surprised!!** And not only on Valentines Day but on their birthdays, special occasions or "just because you are special" or "we missed you." Here are the names of these great kids:

Ariana *** Alivia ***David *** Jayden *** Anna *** Amya*** Russell *** Andre *** Genia *** Lyric *** Zuri *** Skylar *** Genesis.

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NEWS EXTRA! Ariana Cooper's birthday is February 20!

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Nursery, Junior Church and children's Sunday school helpers are really needed. Please fill out the Volunteer form in the bulletin and return it to <u>Judy Steckly</u>. Dates and times are very flexible and can be adjusted to your schedule.



Next Sunday, February 18 is FOOD DRIVE SUNDAY!

Bring your cans to the sanctuary for pickup by the food wagon. Jack says we are really in need of cereals, both hot and cold. Other

donations are always appreciated as well. And thanks for your generous contributions to the food pantry.