

Christian Education Meeting – May 17, 2011

In attendance were Diane Borkman, Cathy Fifield, Pat Jenkins, Joann Johnson, Ric Nyborg, Rev. Cathy, Clarence and Carol Rowell.

Devotion was led by Pat Jenkins.

Business:

Curriculum materials have been ordered. The Feasting on the Word materials have been ordered and will be used by the Multi-Age and Junior High students. Persons to be included whom will receive the internet materials are Rev. Cathy, Joann Johnson, and Diane Borkman. Carol Rowell will also receive them as the administrator of the account.

Rev. Cathy will continue to receive the lectionary materials from Seasons of the Spirit that has been renamed Fusion (replacing Congregational Life). Rev. Cathy will be able to download materials from this site as well as Carol Rowell as the administrator and possibly one other person.

Carol Rowell has been updating staff and student data. Carol Borkman, who is recovering from hip surgery, will continue as the teacher of the Nursery/Kindergarten students. Diane Borkman has volunteered to be the teacher of the Junior High Department with, at this time, two students. Joann Johnson and Pat Jenkins will continue to teach the Multi-Age group with Ric Nyborg and Rev. Cathy teaching the Senior High group. This could possibly become the largest group of students.

The last Sunday for Church School before the summer break will be June 26th. Diane will teach the Multi-Age group that week. There will be no church school classes during July and August. Church School will resume on September 11th. There will also be a fundraising breakfast that morning. On September 18th the church picnic will be held at Cove's Point Park in Essex.

Cathy Fifield shared Youth Group updates.

- The plant sale was successful and netted about \$300. This summer the group will take a mission trip to Ohio where they will be participating in the rehab of a house and barn at Hiram Farm. Twelve will go including adults.
- Cathy would like to see some of the youth attend the Central Atlantic Conference on June 11th. There will be a special Pentecost Festival for youth in the afternoon with no cost to the youth. There will be more information about this distributed to the youth during their meeting on Thursday. They will need adult transportation to get them there.
- Two groups have been contacted about their interest in helping our youth create murals for the Church School. They are the Towson University Outreach Program and the Student Creative Alliance.
- She would like to take a few youth with her to the ceremony for Sheila H. on Saturday.

Rev. Cathy Updates:

There are some youth issues that need to be resolved. During the Fundraising Group activities boundaries need to be set for the youth group members in attendance. Some have been volunteering to help but there have times when they have just been wandering with no real tasks to do. They will need to understand that they should not come unless they have been asked to volunteer to help and are kept busy. It is important that the youth be kept busy while they are here and not just wandering.

Devotion for the next meeting in August: Joann Johnson

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Rowell