

**Music & Worship Board DATE: 01/04/2011 TIME: 6:00 p.m.**

<b>Members Present</b>	Tanya Ringgenberg, Mary Beth Royer, Shirley Ruby, Brad Butler, Maria Larson, Stacy Underwood, Betty Groth (Council Liaison), Pastor Jay Dahlvang (Staff Liaison), Laurie Rossow (Staff Liaison)	
<b>Members Absent</b>	None! ☺	
<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>RESULT</b>
<b>Devotions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Devotions were read by Shirley</li> <li>• February devotions ~ Brad</li> <li>• March devotions ~ Mary Beth</li> </ul>	
<b>Review/Recap of Christmas Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All services were wonderful.</li> <li>• Attendance was good – more were at the 4:00 than the 7:00; approximately 45 were there on Christmas Day morning.</li> <li>• More came to the 7:00 vs. the 10:00 p.m. service (last year)</li> <li>• There was a big scramble on Christmas Eve as there were no ushers, readers, communion assistants, etc. assigned.</li> <li>• Pastor Jay &amp; Laurie will bring this up at their Staff meeting.</li> <li>• New members could/should be asked if they would like to be involved in any of these groups.</li> <li>• If a schedule is made for communion assistants, readers, etc., Mary Beth volunteered to look it over – she has a good feeling about current abilities for most volunteers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Let's make sure to discuss Christmas "helpers" at the November 2011 meeting.</li> </ul>
<b>Decorating Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first meeting of the Decorating Committee was held on December 22, 2010.</li> <li>• Betty passed out notes from their meeting.</li> <li>• Many good ideas were flowing from these creative people!</li> <li>• Can fabric be placed / hung on the cross behind the altar? Yes, per Pastor Jay, but not during Lent. Betty will match fabric to the paraments.</li> <li>• The group is going to do a "walk thru" of the church at their next meeting – they were knowledgeable of what BLC has.</li> <li>• Could large wooden letters be hung on the brick wall behind the altar? If so, they would have to drill into the mortar. This needs to be run by Facilities if drilling and anchoring is involved.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you Betty for leading this important group!</li> </ul>
<b>Oil Candles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The new oil candles only hold two ounces of oil, lasting about six total hours.</li> <li>• They are easy to take down, remove topper and refill.</li> <li>• Who will refill them?</li> <li>• Could this be tagged on with communion set-up, to be checked twice per month?</li> <li>• Hobby Lobby carries "pure candle oil" (clear, soot free, fragrance free, etc.) at a much cheaper price than the church supply company. (Approx. \$20 for ½ gallon)</li> </ul>	

<p><b>Replacement items</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laurie picked up some individual candles to replace those than were burned during “Silent Night” on Christmas Eve.</li> <li>• Tea lights for All Saints Sunday – let’s buy some if they are on sale after the holidays.</li> <li>• Betty will purchase some plastic ornament bins to put the glass All Saints candle-holders in, so they will not be stacked in cardboard boxes anymore.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Using Portable Mics</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The LIGHT program used the portable mics for their Christmas program and one was dropped.</li> <li>• They are very expensive; next year, could two central mics be set up and kids could go up and speak into those instead?</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Thinking Ahead</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We seem to be doing things “last minute” recently – sound set up, candle-oil refills, etc.</li> <li>• This makes things tough and stressful sometimes.</li> <li>• A number of things could easily improve with earlier and more communication.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Office Help</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Now that the office is short one person, what can we do to help?</li> <li>• Some volunteers have already stepped forward to come in and greet people, answer phones, etc. which is great.</li> <li>• They will take their time finding a new Office Manager.</li> <li>• Pastor Jay &amp; Laurie will ask if more help is needed at their next Staff meeting – the M&amp;W committee is willing to help wherever we can.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sound System Survey</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The survey was available for one Sunday and we received many good comments.</li> <li>• It will be put in the bulletin and announced at this Sunday’s service as well.</li> <li>• Pastor Jay will show Brad the completed surveys.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Decorations</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will ‘undecorate’ the Christmas items immediately following the meeting.</li> <li>• Thanks, everyone!</li> </ul>	

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, February 1, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m. in Pastor Jay’s Office

**Respectfully Submitted:** Stacy Underwood