

Ministry Team: Outreach and Social Ministry

Meeting Date: October 13, 2009

ATTENDEES:

Pastor Mary
Dana Olson
Julie Doerfler
Jim Moard
Joann Moard
Judy Snavely

GUEST: Diane Putzer

Excused:

Jean Manteufel

Items that may require council action: None

Items that may require budget/finance coordination: None

Ministry team minutes:

- Finance/Budget review: Discussion included review of the OSM programs as well as decreasing by half the Lutheran College Covenant. Discussion also centered on the need for "first fruits" and supporting our ELCA monetary obligation, not waiting until the end of the fiscal year.
- Old Business:
 1. LWR: Thank you and congratulations to all those who helped to make quilts, school and health kits and layettes. To complete the layettes more sleepers and receiving blankets are needed. OSM is asking anyone who is willing to contribute money, sleepers or receiving blankets to contact Linda Hash.
 2. CROP Walk: There was not a lot of participation this year and that could be the result of poor advertising.
 3. St. Joseph's: Pastor Mary called to seek information regarding volunteer opportunities, but they have not called back.
 4. Chelsy Luck will speak about her experiences in Costa Rica on November 29 at the NS during the church services.
- Continuing Business:
 1. Salvation Army: FELC volunteers are scheduled to help on the first Thursday of the month to prepare and serve meals. There was only one person in October. Members of OSM are looking for new volunteers and asking other congregational members to help in the recruiting of new volunteers to support this service opportunity. There are sign-up sheets in the Gathering areas. Julie will contact people on the Time and Talent sheets who expressed an interest in serving, and will set a schedule.
 2. Fill the Trailers; November 1 & 8: Andy has asked OSM to take this task. Judy will make fliers for youth to place on windshields on October 25 and November 1 as reminders to the congregation. Pastor Mary and Andy will set up the student volunteers. Pastor Mary will organize the announcements, newsletter and bulletin inserts. Julie will contact Jack Swanson and Bruce Doerfler asking them to bring trailers to the event. The non-perishable items will be delivered to Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul.
- New Business:
 1. Reviewed/updated the OSM Responsibilities and Program Goals
 2. LEAVEN; Project Promise Poverty Coalition: Attempts will be made to encourage members of the congregation to become more involved in 2010. A suggestion included informational meetings during Adult Ed on Wednesday nights.
 3. 2010 Mission Trip: Pastor Mary suggested considering a Mission Trip. Diane will contact Thrivent Builds for information. Other groups that coordinate mission trips include Praying Pelicans and Our Saviors of Neenah.
 4. NS Building Use proposals: Area organizations have been contacted inviting them to use the NS as a meeting place. Jim Moard stated he would be willing to open/close the building when needed.

Submitted by: Judy Snavely