## Minutes from Worship & Music October 23, 2016

Members present: Violet Tharp, Synneva Meldahl, Janet Spracklin, April Boehler, Betty Cumming, Chole Butler, and Pastor Joel. The minutes from September were reviewed.

**OLD BUSINESS**: It was noted the pianos were tuned July 15 by Bengochea at a cost of \$160. The office is responsible for keeping water in the piano. In reviewing an email from Judy Sondeno dated May 2, the music memorial fund had \$4,428.88. There was a reminder that new sheet music purchases come from that fund—not the budgeted sheet music fund. The copyrights are now current. Teresa Anderson has assumed leadership of the Praise Band, and they play the last Sunday of each month.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A suggestion was made that a clock be purchased for the music room. Chole had several choices to choose from, and the committee made a selection. This will be paid from the music equipment fund.

All Saint's Day: Discussion was held but it was not sure without looking at the cross if the holes would accommodate candles or flowers. Further research will be done.

**Christmas/Advent schedule:** Beginning November 27 Setting One will be used. The Advent wreath will be used and the tune of "Light One Candle" to the tune of #145 from The Best of the Best." Christmas Eve services will be 3:30, 5:30, and 11:00p.m. The committee is asked to encourage special music, and personal invitation is better than open invitation. Christmas Day is at 9:00 a.m. No special advent services will be held, but will be done as activities after church on Sunday. Janelle Lamb will be spearheading one on the Nativity. Pastor Joel's notes included the October and November schedule. The pastor was on vacation Oct 16. Nov. 6, All Saints' Sunday, should include some type of service for the deceased. There could be a short dialogue included. It was mentioned we have used a cross in the past, but would like the service to include more than just a listing of the names.

Pastor Joel will talk to area pastors regarding a "Blue Christmas" service on Dec 18. The Pastor has never personally held such a service.

**Flowers (Poinsettias):** Discussion was held regarding the quantity of flowers, and the final decision was to purchase 25 poinsettias for Christmas. Donations received above the purchase price will be donated to a fund in need after John Nelson decides what fund is in need.

**MidRivers Communication Channel** has Judy Wozniak as Pella's pastor. Chole will contact them again to get this corrected.

The next meeting will be announced. Any unfinished business will handled by e-mail.

Loyally,

Violet E Tharp

## PS: THERE NEEDS TO BE A BUDGET MEETING IN THE NEAR FUTURE! JOHN NELSON WILL FURNISH THE FORMS.