

Stewardship Team Report

Central Lutheran Church

January 4, 2016

Attendance: Team Members: Chuck Dietz, Eric Elwood, Steve Edman, Gary Wolfe, Sonja Vik

The meeting opened with prayer by Chuck Dietz.

Status of current financial campaign: Presently there is a count of 88 commitments for a total of \$342,064. That represents an increase in giving from the previous year's campaign.

Candle Project: Report will be updated at next month's meeting by Michelle Bremer.

Annual Report for 2015: Chuck Dietz provided a report for members review. This will be submitted to the church office for inclusion in the church's annual report.

Planning for 2016:

- **Budget:** The proposed budget for next year is \$1,500.
- **Ministry Fair:** Members set the date for the Ministry Fair for September 18
- **Financial Campaign:** Next year's Financial Campaign is set for October 16 to November 13. Members discussed seeking materials from the ELCA Synod (i.e. "Simply Blessed"; "Macedonia Program"). **Action:** We are seeking a coordinator for the campaign.
- **New Member Packet:** It was suggested the new member packet include Pastor Stan's letter to the congregation with a commitment card enclosed. **Action:** Chuck will discuss with Pastor Stan and prepare packet.
- **Centralite:** **Action:** Eric Elwood and Gary Wolfe agreed to continue monthly articles or stories of the ministry teams for the Centralite.
- **Ministry Teams Census and Member Activity:** Michelle is gathering information on the number of people involved in each ministry team. We need to continue to consider how to keep track of members involvement in ministry as a way of measuring the effectiveness of Stewardship Team programs. **Action:** To be discussed at next meeting
- **Ministry Team Stories:** A suggestion was made to gather and regularly report stories of activities of individual ministry teams as a means of continually bringing the activities of our teams to the attention of the congregation - perhaps one a month. **Action:** To be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Passport to Service:** Members discussed the Passport to Service pamphlet. Revisions need to be made, pamphlet reprinted and put in the church pews. It was suggested that Instaprint be considered as a vendor for printing the color pages of the passport. **Action:** Chuck will begin working on the revisions.
- **Need New Team Members:** Stewardship Team is in need of new members if all of the tasks above are to be accomplished. **Action:** The team members are encouraged to ask others, including new congregation members.

Next meeting date is Thursday, February 4 at 8:30 am in the CLCW room. **ACTION:** Chuck notifies Kristi for Room/Calendar and distributes draft agenda.