

Outreach Team Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2018

The January meeting was postponed from January 15 to the 22nd due to weather conditions.

Present: Kathy Gruett, Marie Rein, Carla Weisenfeld Bryan Weisenfeld, Marlene Graap, Pastor Pat Schutz, Dona Leitzke

Soup-er Bowl February 4, 2018:

We have the following cooks lined up to make soup:

Joe Countryman – Cheesburger

Josie Countryman - Ham & Potato

Joyce Handlin- Broccoli Chicken Rice

Trina Johnson

Bryan Weisenfeld

Pastor Pat

We have not heard back from the youth. Anne Torkelson is also a possibility.

Marie has taken care of the publicity. There was an error on Carla's phone number that needs to be changed on the Weekly Word announcement. Donations will be given to ELCA Good Gifts and HAVEN. Depending on the amount received, we can select a gift from the Good Gifts catalog and announce it after the event. There are pictures from ELCA Good Gifts that can be downloaded for a poster - Marie will investigate. Carla will shop for "tailgate" snacks and make aprons and prizes. She already purchased bio-degradable bowls. "Pre-game" activities will include making Valentine cards and a "Souper" word scramble. We will set up on Saturday after church and on Sunday at 8:30.

Lenten Supper Wednesday, February 21: Outreach will provide the meal for the first week of Lenten suppers. Dinner is at 5:15 with worship at 6:30. Food will be taken from the Hospitality budget with a free will offering taken to offset the cost. Menu: Meatballs & gravy over noodles, carrots, fruit (halos), coffee and milk. Meet at the church at 4:30 for set-up. No one need miss the worship service - if clean-up is not done when worship starts, we will finish cleaning up after worship.

March Food Pantry Challenge: Planning will be done next month. Items needed: Canned fruit, Tuna/Hamburger Helper, peanut butter/jelly, canned soup, ramen noodles, macaroni & cheese, spaghetti sauce, toilet paper. Another possibility would be to check with St Vincent's to see if we could work with them to provide Easter meals to some families.

2018 Outreach Events Calendar Update: Added Thanksgiving Dinner at OSLC on November 22 with planning to start in August. We will work with the kitchen committee - Halena Anderson and Kathi Peterson.

Christmas Spirit Appeal: Marie received thank you cards from the Christmas Spirit committee. Gifts were provided to 582 children and meals to 226 families. She will share these messages with the congregation if we can do so while protecting the privacy of the families.

Team Member Update: The Outreach Team contact phone and email addresses were reviewed/updated.

We also need an updated list of shut-ins before our next quarterly visits.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Outreach Team will be held on Monday, February 19, 2018 at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dona Leitzke