

Membership Team Meeting

Thursday, June 28, 2018 at 6 p.m.

Present: Ann Gerteis
Jeanne Ambrosier
Bill Graf
Terry Vogt
Pastor Deb Olenyik

The minutes from the last meeting of **May 24, 2018** were acceptable.

Pastor's Report: See report from **May 24, 2018**

Special Events: **Terry Vogt (& Jim Ament)**

- *Critique: of the Evergreen Parade Float on Saturday, June 16, 2018* ~ We had a small group of people to decorate the float/trailer on Friday afternoon, and the same group on Saturday at the Evergreen Rodeo Parade. The purpose of this float was to advertise our upcoming Vacation Bible School with the theme "Polar Blast". The munchkins were dressed in western outfits and rode behind our van on the float. The parade route I think drew a record crowd. We handed out information about our church (ran out), and we passed out sunscreen packets with our church info stamped on them (ran out also). If we have someone who will step up and do this again in the future (as Marcia and Sarah did), it is well worth the effort, because of the exposure. Thanks to all involved.
- *Critique: Church at the Ranch on Sunday, June 17, 2018* ~ This year, we combined the Cowboy Service (usually held in the sanctuary on the weekend of the Evergreen Rodeo Parade and Rodeo, which corresponds to Father's Day every year) + with the All Church Picnic (usually in August).

The event this year included Russell's last sermon to our congregation before moving to Tupelo, MS., and it was held at Glenn & Pat Stoll's Ranch near Conifer. It was a smashing success: Russell preached from the tree house platform to a crowd of 120-130 (the crowd was counted during lunchtime at 146). The barbecue was outstanding. It sprinkled a little, and we were not able to go forward with a background music program during the picnic, but it openly began to rain at 2 PM, after most people were done eating.

Question: Should we continue to have a Cowboy Service at the Church in June and Church at the Ranch/All Church Picnic in August? We appreciate Glenn & Pat's preference's, as their ranch is such a spendid place for an outdoor church service.

Upcoming events ~

- *Blessing of the Animals Service on July 15, 2018 ~* This will be held at the 8:30 am service in the south parking lot. Last year, our attendance set a record for this event, and, once again, our vet, Carl & wife Linda Heckendorf, will give free rabies shots to the dogs needing them. The band (keyboard + guitar) includes Mike Fields, who will sing another of his compositions.
- *End of Summer Interservice Pancake Feed On August 19, 2018:* We will distribute information about the Sunday School programs, a well as the Adult Education programs, which are planned to start up after Labor Day.

Visitor Contact : Ann Gerteis/Marlene Waltz/Dianne Donelson

Ann outlined Visitor Contact activities. We have a long list at present of new visitors, according to our Monday Morning Reports. Using one of our stained glass windows as a backgroufor a visitor card, Dianne made a very attractive card which can be sent to visitors. Also, microwavable popcorn is being passed out as well.

Projections: Dianne Donelson

Membership Involvement: Bil Graf

New Business:

Our Projections are meant to show that we are a vital and concerned group of Methodists who have

the best interests of our Evergreen community at heart. Membership recommends these three projection

goals:

1. **Retain those things that work for us now:** The Canyon Courier, Your Hub (The Denver Post)
2. Use social media : **a first priority.** Primarily this includes the **emc website** and **The Happenings.**

Also: Facebook (preferrably from the Pastor), as well as other social media.

3. **Streaming** of Sunday sermons, Memorial services, weddings & other special events (along with

a large flatscreen TV in Fellowship Hall

After discussion, The Membership Team recommends: We will ask the Church Council to establish a Task Force in order to coordinate activities involving various aspects of social media and for possible streaming (delayed or real time) of sermons, special events, etc. It is our hope that this will evolve into a new team.

There being no further business. The meeting was adjourned at **7:02 p.m.** Our next Membership Team meeting will be on **Thursday, August 30, 2018** at 6 pm.

Terry Vogt