

Bethel Lutheran Church Board of Outreach Agenda

Monday, April 7 from 5:00-6:00 pm

Meeting Agenda

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Those in attendance: Cindy, Kelsey, Terri, VondaLee, Joyce, Tracy
- C. Those absent: Pastor Amy
- D. **Devotion:** Terri
- E. **Share Outs:** Highs/Lows

Old Business:

- A. Minutes from March 3, 2025 meeting
 - a. Motion to approve: Cindy
 - b. 2nd: Terri
 - c. In favor: All Against: none
- B. Review and act on any FFS applications:
 - a. Application Submitted by Joyce for Be the Love Matching funds:
 - i. Tracy motioned that we should approve. Kelsey seconded. Vote in favor: 5/0 via text message. Motion passed
- C. Noisy Offerings:
 - a. **March-** Be the Love offering- pay it forward - \$689 + \$689 matching from FFS for a total of \$1378 towards this project ministry
 - b. **April-** Circle of Nations- prepare goody bag- send home with students.- Temple talk and blue sheet: Terri
 - i. **April 13th-** temple talk
 - ii. Terri to call CNS to ask how many students, what they would like to see in the bags, when would be a good time to deliver.
 - iii. Ideas: goody bag with a small snacks (meat stick, granola bar, etc.) and a tag on it wishing them a good last week and good summer
 - c. **May-** Campfire Worship services (May 28, July 2, July 30, & Aug 27)
 - i. Treats for worship
 - d. **June-** Can Opener for Food Pantry
 - e. **July-** Can Opener for Food Pantry
 - f. **August-** Backpack program- Temple talk and blue sheet:
 - g. **September-** Lunch Buddies – Kinship- Bethel members - Temple talk and blue sheet:
 - h. **October-** “Where do you see God” calendar

- i. **November-**
- j. **December-**
- D. **College Outreach Subcommittee Report:** have not met for this year. Brainstorm over the summer and plan something for next school year. Bring in Bobbi from the college in June/ July
- E. **FFS Community Outreach Luncheon – April 11, 2025 11:00-1:00**
 - a. Share plan and assign tasks for members that plan to attend
 - b. Vonda- welcome and sign in sheet
 - c. Terri- introduce board of outreach and read purpose
 - d. Cindy- mission statement and process for the day
 - e. Tracy- FFS process and prayer
 - f. Board Members come at 10:30
- F. **Next New Member Sunday: Sunday March 30**
 - a. Great turnout, flow was good, working well to do in between services.
 - b. One struggle: did not say prayer- maybe say in the service
- G. **Food Pantry Meals:**
 - a. Served 36 meals , very appreciated at the food pantry
- H. **Carseat Safety Check:** Brianna still working on setting it up. Give each kid a thing of bubbles. notes from March meeting. Board willing to commit to support and help. Date TBD.
- I. **STEAM Exploration Event-** Brianna blurb in blue sheet because we funded thru FFS.

New Business:

- A. **Can Openers-Joyce** Noisy offering funds one month to purchase to donate to food pantry – Noisy offering for months of June and July
- B. **End of the year Wednesday School Event, April 30-**The Board of Outreach will bring out the popcorn machine. Board of Education will do smores. Looking for other board involvement. Also need physical help with games, chalk, crowd control, etc. Terri and Kelsey not in attendance. Possibly Cindy and VondaLee.
- C. **Meeting on the same day of the week as other boards:** We would prefer either Monday or Tuesdays (Monday is the preferred day) @ 5PM
- D. **Other new business:**

Next meeting: May 5 @ 5:00-6:00

- A. Devotions: Kelsey

Future things to discuss:

- **St. Catherine's Outreach**

- a. Talk over summer and plan for next year- build into programming for next school year
 - b. Adopt a resident
 - c. Get the kids involved
- **Give Back Gala:** suggest Down Home organization out of Fargo-Tracy
- **Card making:** Create cards to be used for Thinking of You, Thanks, Sympathy, Way to Go, etc.- Tracy check with nursing home to see if/what their need is
- **Summer agenda:** Organize with board of education- kids and Leech home activities for 2025-26 programming year: Planning starts in September
- **Subcommittee:** Events for families with young children- Idea brought forward by Brianna Walsh
 - a. Kindergarten and younger children
 - b. Discussion on how to help young families
- **Fall New Member Sunday-** Fall: October 12
- **Joyce working to set up a clothes exchange/ giveaway. Accept all summer and have a giveaway before school where people can come and take new clothes for their kids.**

Meeting Adjourned