

Minutes of Welcoming and Engagement Committee 11/10/16

Present:

Rick and Kathy Fiske, Pru Schuler, Barbara Bartlett, Joby Thompson, Polly Forcier

Rick Fiske presented our new schedule at the Committee Cafe Nov. 2.

The Board approved our new sign, "Welcome to North Chapel" and it will be presented at the Nov. 20 service. It will be attached by Rick and Kathy to the church building to the right of the main door.

Linda Galveo is willing to be the contact and scribe of bios of new members which will once again appear in the Quest. Rick will follow up to get names of same.

Rick shared an experience he had with a new visitor while being a "welcomer" outside the church, which affirms that this is an important role.

Potlucks after church will be organized once a month thanks to Pru and Joby. A Sunday is not firmly dedicated yet. The next is the 13th Dec. When Eugene Friesan is here in concert. (ask Richard to delay Amazing Grays like he did last time)

V and Barb will organize a post church "craft project" of fabrics, glitter, glue etc. for anyone who wants to create a little "flag" of gratitude before Thanksgiving. the dates are 20th and 27th November. They will be placed on jute and brighten up the social hall.

New and old ideas for welcoming and engagement of all ages were discussed.

Summer

1. Ice cream picnic on the lawn with "concert" possibly involving young people like WHS or our kids drumming.
2. Continue with our Wed. pizza night. Inclusive of others outside the congregation. Special activity for kids?
3. Mothers' and Fathers' Day (combined) brunch.

Winter

1. Monthly Potlucks
2. Circle dinners, Pru. (First is Jan. 23) (If they extend to May, Bartletts will host when they return).
3. Craft winters. Barbara & V

Some activities could include ideas for children from Geraldine.

Next meeting Dec. 1

Respectfully submitted,

Polly Forcier