

## WORSHIP LIFE MINISTRY TEAM REPORT

September, 2008-April, 2009

### MINISTRY TEAM

The Worship Life Ministry Team Leader: Gayle Stauffer

Members include: Lynn Bitzer, Melodie Fair, Ken Krause, Eileen Martin, Tammy McCarthy, Julia Silsdorf

### PROGRAMS INITIATED/CONTINUED

Create manual for the Altar Guild

Establish procedures for ushers

Reestablish Concert Series

Adult choirs organization/reorganization

Review Worship Life procedure manual

### GOALS AND OUTCOMES OF PAST YEAR

Manual completed - copies given currently-serving volunteers; one copy is kept in a ring binder in the Sacristy. Added duty of set-up for Baptism was agreed to by captains at March Ministry Team meeting. Supplies have been moved to the Sacristy, a letter has been composed and is being sent to all current volunteers, and the procedures have been added to the Altar Guild Manual.

Met with Head Usher and usher captains to share best practices and establish procedures to ensure that Communion proceeds efficiently.

Melodie Fair and Ken Krause reestablished Saint Paul's concert series which they named Gifts of Grace. The series included concerts by The Heritage Chorale, the Lycoming Concert Choir, and Shawn Smith (in conjunction with Family Life Team's youth ministry and Youth Sunday). The series will conclude with the Coda Concert on May 31 in which all choirs and musical groups at Saint Paul will participate.

Due to variable and falling participation in the two adult choirs the decision was taken to consolidate the Matins Choir and Senior Choir into one adult choir which will provide music leadership for traditional services. A schedule was created which will include anthems by the Adult Choir, Jubilate Bells, and special music (by soloists or groups). Festival choirs will be organized for special occasions.

A committee composed of Pastors Hanus and Gable and council members Jason Hoffman and Jim Milhouse reviewed the procedure manual for the Worship Life Team. The new manual details the duties and procedures for which the Team is responsible and includes a schedule and timeline for each month.

### DIRECTION, INITIATIVES, AND ISSUES FOR UPCOMING YEAR

Continue spiritually meaningful worship services

Recruit additional team members

Increase participation in choirs

Recruit volunteers for seasonal/occasional duties

Complete catalog of church banners - Recruit volunteer(s) to act as Banner Steward(s)

Introduce new settings of the liturgy

Purchase additional bells to fill out lower octave

Organ improvements/care

### ANTICIPATED RESOURCES REQUIRED

Flexible, willing disciples

Budgeted funds and gifts