

Discipleship Committee Minutes for September 5, 2024

Attendees: Becky Krueger (chair) Mary Prickette, Barb Rueckl, Deb Wegner-Hohensee, Mary Marquardt and Deacon Jeff Prickette

Absent: Mary Jo Short, Jerry Berg, James Patz, Dan Delforge and Jackie Goral

Meeting was called to order at 6:36 P.M. Deb Wegner-Hohense said the opening prayer.

Item 1 – Notetaker needed for the Discipleship Committee. Barbara agreed to continue for the near future.

Item 2 – World Mission Sunday – tabled for a future meeting

Item 3 – Spiritual Enrichment Survey – Mary Marquardt explained the method and importance of the survey. Further discussion included changes to the survey i.e. other: be specific. Mary and Becky will work on revising the form and preparing for dissemination. The survey will be included in the bulletin October 19th and 20th and a speaker from the pulpit on October 13th. A basket will be provided for the responses. Mary will work with Kody to solidify dates and times.

Item 4 – Alpha Update – Barb brought the committee up-to-date on the Alpha sessions which will be presented to Freedom House beginning Tuesday, September 24, 2024 and ending December 17, 2024. As there is a nightly meal served the cost to the Alpha budget will be zero. Freedom House has a contract with St. Norbert College students to provide service hours which will be babysitting service for each session. Erik Wiegand and Barb will present the sessions and lead the table discussions. Further updates will be given at monthly Discipleship Committee meetings.

Item 5 – Men's retreat – This item will be tabled for a future meeting.

Item 6 – Book Study Recap – Mary Marquardt reported on the book study of The Last Supper which was held each Tuesday, August 6th through August 27th from 1-2:30 P.M. There were 29 responses, 3 no-shows and 5 dropped after the 1st session. Consistently 19 persons attended. A survey was completed at the end. Results: Like the book; set day time; no judgement zone; move to 6 weeks as opposed to four. Mary suggested holding the sessions possible twice per day. Mary is pursuing future book studies. John Peterson has volunteered to lead a discussion in the future. More to come.

Item 7 – Future RE Involvement – We are intending to present “The Search” to the parents on 9/25, 2024. We will work with Theresa to put a schedule together. If the response is questionable, the schedule will be moved to early 2025

Item 8 – Breaking Open the Sunday Scripture – Jerry will be holding the sessions on Mondays beginning 9/9/2024 and continuing through May of 2025. He has recruited volunteers to preside in his absence.

Item 9 – Rosary Mysteries - Mary Marquardt will present an overview of the decades of the Rosary on Tuesdays beginning October 1st and continuing through October 29th. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space. The sessions will include DVD's and discussions.

Item 10 – Advent – Lectio Divina, December 23, 2024 – all is scheduled – further details to follow.

Item 11 – “Screw Tape Letters” by C.S. Lewis – Mary Marquardt will hold sessions Tuesdays, beginning with February 4th and ending March 11th from 8:30-10:00 A.M.

Item 12 – Women’s Retreat Update – Mary Prickette is contemplating the Women’s Retreat on either March 22, 2025 or March 29, 2025. From 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. She is currently awaiting confirmation from the potential speakers. (Kathi Tilot, Victoria A. Gossens. A possible title could be “2025 – Pilgrims of Hope”. More dicussions to follow. Future updates: dates, speakers, costs to attendees.

Item 13– After Easter book study ideas – tabled for next meetings.

Item 14 – Other items – Consideration of showing the 8 sessions of “The Chosen” is being given to possibly beginning the Tuesday after Christmas. This would be a prelude to Season 2.

Item 15 - The next Discipleship Meeting will be Thursday, October 3, 2024.

Closing prayer – “Glory Be”

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Barbara Rueckl
Recording Secretary

