

Women of St. John's Meeting November 13, 2016

Jan Skott, President, opened the meeting with prayer at 9:40 am with 15 in attendance. Additional prayers were offered for Fr. Grant, new U.S. President Elect, as well as sick friends and/or parishioners. Two new women to the parish were welcomed: Catherine Fierberg, formerly of Denver, CO, and Cathy Foos from Indiana.

Dee Hone read the minutes from the September 18th meeting. Jeannie Fischer motioned that the minutes be approved as read; motion was seconded by Gina Arp and approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report was reviewed by Lone Fejfar, covering activity from September 18th to November 13th. Patty Wagner motioned that the Treasurer's Report & \$50 to Fr. Gerlach for Christmas be approved; motion was seconded and approved by all present. It was also noted that Father's birthday is in March.

Order of Business / Jan Skott:

Jan reviewed the **sub-committees** noting all committees could use more help. Patty Wagner is currently in charge of Fund Raising and is in need of a co-chair to replace Linda Young. Gina Arp of Social/Hospitality committee indicated we could have another fun evening in January again (Tuesday night-post holiday social) but she and Kim Dillon would need help.

The **Annual Ham Dinner** is scheduled for **March 19, 2017**. Discussion followed regarding continuing with baskets with no cost to the Women's Group vs. prizes as in past years. Youth are more involved with baskets. Lone suggested themes and/or service for the baskets, i.e., yard work, etc.

Advent Program – Sunday, December 11, 2:00pm at Custer Lutheran Fellowship on Hwy. 16A. Colleen Mahrt coordinates this event. She asked for everyone's help in providing cookies again.

Back Pack Program – 4-week program begins in February. Youth helped with packing the lunches last year. Theresa Fiala noted we may have less than 100 this year; Ramen Noodles would be a good item to pack in the lunches.

Prayer Shawls / Cards – remember to call the office if you know of someone in need.

New Business:

Flooring of Basement Dining Area – lone reported plans are in process with preliminary bids.

At Ann Dvorak's request – watch for Diocesan scheduled events in Custer, Sturgis & at the Cathedral - which will be noted in the church bulletin. "The WORD Among Us" will include good meditations during Advent.

Trash or Treasure—Patty Wagner, Fund Raising Committee. Possible time frames for such an event were discussed. When a date is determined, we need to get word out well in advance – bulletin, etc.

The next WSJ meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 12, 2017, following the Knights of Columbus breakfast.

The meeting was closed with prayer, led by Jeannie Fischer, at 10:55am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dolores (Dee) Hone
Secretary, Women of St. John's