

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, September 15th

6:30 pm

Present: Zach Anderson, Nicole Kempf, Pastoral Assistant Sandra

Opened with prayer.

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

- Youth Room Refresh
 - Talked about ordering furniture for the space; talked about built in bookshelves
- Youth Group
 - Switched up original plan—will be combining middle school and high school together for one youth group that will meet every Sunday at 9:45 am in the youth room; kids can come on the weeks they're around
- Fundraisers
 - Cookbooks
 - Paid back money we borrowed from fund 2 account; all remaining profits will go into the checking account
 - Rummage Sale
 - Made \$900 at the rummage sale; money was split amongst the families that helped with the event—funds were put into youth individual fundraising accounts
 - Christmas Wood Rounds
 - Profits will go into general youth account to help pay for event expenses and youth room updates
 - Sandra will secure a Thrivent action grant to pay for the materials
 - Sales will be from October 3–November 7
 - Wood rounds will be done by November 28th for people to pick up
 - 5 different designs: "Reason for the Season"; "Merry Christmas"; "Happy Holidays"; "Let it Snow"; and a nativity scene
 - Tree of Saints ornaments
 - Will sell personalized ornaments to hang on our Tree of Saints that will be put up at the back of the sanctuary (next to playground); will be in memory of loved ones
 - Cost is \$5 an ornament; families can take the ornaments home whenever they'd like, but the tree will be up until Epiphany (when we take all the other Christmas decorations down)
 - Ornaments will be sold every Sunday and Wednesday before Advent services from November 28th–December 15th
 - Proceeds will benefit those attending the Youth Gathering (if any); if not, we will make a determination at our next meeting where we will use the money (maybe to pay for angel tree shopping)

- Other activities
 - Progressive Suppers
 - Made a plan for each month this fall:
 - Sept: Kelly VanderWeyst will host in Oct. instead; Nancy Schmidt will do appetizers, after that, we will come back to Zion for remainder of meal (or take them out depending on numbers)
 - Oct: Kelly will host meal; planning to ask Pastor Mark to do the appetizer part and introduce him to the kids; will need someone to do dessert
 - Nov: Will do a cooking lesson with Sandra at the church; she will provide appetizers and the kids will make the main dish and dessert
 - Dec: Take the month off
 - Haunted Forest—October 23rd @ 7pm
 - Wanted to do Haunted Fort the week before, but we won't have any adults to take them
 - Youth committee will pay \$5 of ticket price; kids will pay the rest
 - Will take kids out for treats after; Sandra will do a devo during this time
 - Possible upcoming activities
 - Capitol tree viewing—may take the kids to the Capitol in Pierre to see the Christmas trees on a Sunday afternoon; looking at doing this late November–December
 - Angel Tree shopping—pick names off the Angel Tree in the mall and shop for items together as a group

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: in October (if needed); otherwise November to make wood rounds