

Bethel UCC Minutes
March 4, 2008

Rev. Sara opened our meeting with prayer and devotions.

1. Rev. Sara then reviewed the pastor's report:
 - a. Adult Education has started up again and they are reading the book *Angels and Demons*, by Dan Brown.
 - b. The Stewardship team is drafting a letter to give to the congregation as to how they propose to pool/raise money for the sound system and the parking lot.
 - c. Rev. Sara will be attending Executive counsel in April.
 - d. Rev. Sara is having surgery in mid to end June and will need some time off for recovery.
 - e. Some upcoming events at Bethel;
 - i. Wednesdays in Lent – 7:30 pm worship
 - ii. Confirmation Sunday – March 16, 2008
 - iii. Maundy Thursday – March 20, 2008
 - iv. Ecumenical Good Friday Service (Bethel is hosting) March 21, 2008
 - v. SCIO presentation Sunday during worship – March 30, 2008
 - vi. Ms. Edith Guffey, Associate General Minister of the UCC will be coming to lead a workshop and lead worship on the weekend of April 26-27th, 2008
 - f. 11 pastoral visits and counseling sessions for February.
2. We need delegates for the Northeast Association annual meeting April 19th and Peace UCC in Shawano at 9:00 am
3. Cary made a motion that we participate in an Ecumenical Service this year on the Sunday of the Kiel picnic at Kiel City Park. Chuck seconded the motion, motion carried.
4. We need to ask the committees to meet with us this yr, We are going to ask the smaller/less active ones to just give us a written update twice a year and the larger/more active committees to come meet with us at a consistory meeting twice a year.
5. It was brought up that we need to revisit the confirmation curriculum
6. We need to develop the personnel committee
7. We received a letter from a concerned member of the congregation regarding people neglecting to give money to OCWM and making this up with other monies from fund raisers that we have. This person gave some suggestions and the consistory is going to try to address this.
8. We closed with the Lord' Prayer.

Scott Huber, secretary