

# WAM Minutes – October 24, 2018

## Planning for Confirmation / Advent / Christmas 2018

Members Present: Scott Gross-Sand, Laura Aase, Jim Nelson, Sara Nelson, Carol Krage, Rachel Stearns, Deitra Paulsen

Highs and lows and scripture readings were shared

Confirmation weekend – Nov. 3-4

+Nov. 3 is Living Creed sharing at 9 AM at HEC. *Kris Hartman and Rod Reiwer will help with the food for this event.*

+Nov. 4 is Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation) at HEC – *Full space, 8 AM set up: Jim Nelson, Carol Krage and Daryl and Kathy Bergs will help with set up.*

+Arlyn and Kim D. photographer contact. *Sara Nelson contacted and the 9 confirmands have been told to have group picture taken at 9:45*

+Pine boughs – *Rachel will provide*

+Purchase and serve cake following worship – *Terry is helping to organize this*

+Set up stained glass windows gifts + vuvuzelas for 10th graders. *Carol has agreed to create a display for this on Sunday morning.*

Other? It was decided that the Altar will be on the floor for the service.

Advent/Christmas planning

Messy Mass Liturgy – Sept / Oct

Bluegrass setting – Nov (except Confirmation which is a stand alone worship service)

Holden Evening Prayer – Dec (Advent)

Advent Theme (So Far)

An over-arching theme would be: GOD IS...

Dec 2: ...a Way of Life (Habakkuk 1:1-7; 2:1-4; 3:17-19 - God's relationship with people in hard times. God will deliver from violence.)

Dec 9: ...for Such a Time as This (Esther 4:1-17 - as Queen Esther is exposed as a Jew to save the Jewish people - she risks her life to save the people)

Dec 16: ...Light to the Nations (Is 42:1-9 - Servant Song - Israel as servant, so a calling for us to be light to the world...we don't get that light from any source but God.)

Dec 23: ...With Us (Jesus is born Emmanuel - God is With Us)

Dec. 24: ??

We read all of the scriptures for the Advent / Christmas season and came up with ONE word for each service that could be spelled out in big block letters

Dec 2: **ALIVE**

Dec 9: **TODAY**

Dec 16: **LIGHT**

Dec 23: **WITH**

Dec. 24: **HERE**

We also thought that these blocks could be arranged to spell

**"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HEAVENLY HEIGHTS"**

for the Christmas Eve service. However, it would be missing these letters:

**G, O, N, O, O, N, O, Y, E, G, H, T, S**

Or, we could spell

**"GLORY TO GOD ON HIGH"**

And only be missing these letters:

**O, G, O, D, O, N, G**

We also talked about having the services list what (we are) and (God is) as below:

Dec 2: We are Questioning, lost, dying, yelling, pleading

God is **ALIVE**

Dec 9: We are Scared and Afraid,

God is **TODAY**

Dec 16: We are Alone, bound, prisoners, in need

God is **LIGHT**

Dec 23: We are ??\* God is **WITH**

Dec. 24: We are ??\* God is **HERE**

*\*We ran out of ideas*

When is our next meeting? TBA