

Minutes from Saturday Night Service – June 1st

Attendees: Pastor Luke Biggs, Pastor Nathan Kuhlman, Glenn Glinsmann, James Lavender, Halli Szarzynski, Liz Knoll, Terry and Julia Dunaway
Susan Gramatzky, Jerry and Janice Mieritz, Dave Rahburn, Josh Turay, Kathy Dickson, Mahealani Adkins

Our mission:

- Determine the feasibility of doing a Saturday night service
 - Critical mass enough to keep it going
 - Time – compact service
 - People power
 - Buy in from the congregation
- If yes How?
 - mission oriented service
 - Level of excellence
- Time table to launch – what ever it takes, figure it out and do it right

Agenda

1. Questions were sent out to the committee
2. Who do we need input from
3. Give assignments
4. Next meeting

Questions:

1. Core of people that are interested in Saturday night worship
 - a. Done a little bit of survey
 - b. Town hall meeting
 - c. Most came back positive - small sample
 - d. Feedback from whole congregation
 - i. Come weekly
 - ii. Come once a month
 - iii. Come when it is convenient
 - e. Exceed 45 or more people every week
2. Type of format – praise and worship, etc
3. Worship format –
 - a. Highest value – communion every week/every service
 - b. Start time service – 5 pm, 5:30pm or 6 pm. Most services are 5 pm or 5:30
4. Time format – how long services – typical evening is shorter – 50 minute service.
5. Childcare
 - a. More appealing to the public
 - b. Man power for this
6. Bible study/kids church
 - a. Man power
 - b. Goal at the start
7. Weddings:
 - a. Master calendar on weddings

b. Cut off time of weddings – out of the church

8. Saturday night events
 - a. Conflict with the service
9. How will this affect Alter/greeters, hospitality, coordinates this
10. How will this affect our needs for Greeters; Communion Distributors; Ushers; Prayer team
11. Will there be hospitality, (coffee) available after service?
12. Will there be the man power for music
13. How will the S at. Night service be handled by our Pastoral preaching/teaching team - who would do it
14. What is the critical mass number necessary to sustain a Sat. Night service? What is the critical mass # - set it in the beginning
15. How do we build in check points – look at it in 6 months, 1 year, etc
 - a. We believe we can hit it and it does not meet it – then we kill it.
16. How do we communicate the offering of this service to the P.O.P. Community?
Communicate – new offering to the area (community) external
17. Internal communication – how so we communicate to our members
18. Mission of the service – what are we trying to accomplish
19. Glenn G - What is the overall mission of our church – Sunday morning service?
Pastor Luke – is to reach next gen by offering different styles with different needs – personality and not age. Don't want to change Sunday morning services. If you add another one – what does it look like? More of a 3 or 4 piece music group on Saturday with a blend of songs.
20. Kathy – age – appealing to the younger group – does that influence the worship style – PL – blended – it is in between – come in and feel comfortable – mix of music with old and new songs. Connects to all.
Kathy – 11 am – was a blended service – hymns and contemporary and now is more contemporary
21. Halli - How can does it effect holiday - Christmas and Easter – high festivals
22. Jerry – how do we increase prayer over this? Prayer for this - small groups/ Care cycles/bulletin
23. Service in the Sanctuary – do we have to have it there. Conference center, fellowship center. Youth space – max at 80, conference center about 100.

PL – looked at the questions, how do we answer these questions? Made up a chart is at least 1 way to get at it.

1. **Dave R** – Survey –congregation wide – paper or on-line. Need feedback from the congregation – who would come, when they would come, what time.
2. **Terry and Julie** - Interview – children's ministry team – to offer anything on a Saturday night – nursery – kids church. Expanded our Sunday morning options. Do we have the man power to do this on a Saturday night – Barb VanBahren – Get with Barb and get the children's ministry together – and see what they think and get feedback from them. –
3. **Jan Mieritz** - Wedding Coordinator – Diana Lepsch – what weddings do we have in the next year or so. 5 pm and 6 pm – when would we need to be out of the sanctuary. Set the time limitations for weddings.
4. **Glenn G** - Arlene Bes – Alter Guild – how would it effect them. What do you need from us? –

5. **Mahealani** - Krista E – master calendar – any conflict with Saturday night. Also ask internal and external PR – how long to market? External – newspaper, door hangers, mail?
6. **Halli** - Darlene – Hospitality - - ushers, acolytes
7. **James L** - Pastoral team – format, how many musicians and bible study
8. **Jerry M** - Interview Elders – are they best group to figure out what is critical mass or leave it in this group. What resources to keep it going? Team proposing to the elders
9. How are the big churches doing it? Expanding. Peace Lutheran Church in Hurst, Prestonwood had a Saturday night service – the #'s fell and they cancelled it. Bent Tree has a Saturday night service – don't have it now.
 - a. **Susan** – research Bent tree
 - b. **Jan m** - research Resurrection Lutheran church
 - c. **Kathy Dickson** – Research Peace Church
10. Next meeting
 - a. survey – Dave will have it done
 - b. report back on our interviews (see above assignments)
 - c. Start build out our time line
11. Next meeting time: June 22nd after 11 am service