

Meeting minutes- Fellowship Commission 10/20/17

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Ministry Handbook- We received a copy of a revised ministry handbook from Lisa Larsen for our review and editing. The handbook will be given out in November during the JOY ministry weekend. We reviewed the Fellowship section and updated the list of ministries that fall under the Fellowship umbrella. We had a long discussion on the ministries, many of which we are not aware of the group leader or the current status of the group. **We suggested that as a part of the handbook update, the volunteer coordinator determine the name of each group leader.** We would like to contact the leaders falling under the Fellowship group and invite them to attend at least on Saturday meeting with our Committee. In this way we can better pass along the overall direction of some of the Parish Council Initiatives and plans down to these sub-committees.

Unleash the Gospel- We discussed the based on the fundamental conviction of this program that we should ensure that we open our sponsored events to as wide a group as we can. Non parishioners and former parishioners should be welcome at our events. We thought the Euchre event in the spring was attended by many newcomers, but we could have done a better job opening up the picnic event in the summer. Inclusion will be a theme we will promote in upcoming events.

Event Possibilities- Based on the success of last year's Euchre party we suggest another such event in the winter. Marlene DeBrosse, who chaired the event last year had been willing to reprise her role. We will need to get things rolling soon, to make a Jan/Feb date. A historical evening with perhaps a emphasis on area churches was suggested. The historical society of Rochester would be helpful in this endeavor. A movie night with an inspirational movie was also suggested. We will decide direction in future meetings.