

Minutes of Mission and Ministry Meeting 6.2.19

Present: Mel Langille, Alison Garraway, Ann Danson

1. Rector's discretionary fund is underway. Ann suggested that Mel advertise it regularly in the newsletter to remind people to contribute to it.
2. Next 5th Sunday is 31st March in St John's. It is expected that Ley-Anne Forsyth will speak about family poverty issues.
3. Date for 2019 North Kessock Carol Concert. Fri Dec 20th was suggested. Mel to check with Susan Cord, Ann to check with Susanna. If that's not suitable Fri Dec 13th will be 2nd choice Ann will inform Owen Smith and ask if he's free.
4. Mel suggested a knitting basket in church for those who like to keep busy during the sermon. People could knit squares. The Highlands Support Refugees are currently asking for blankets. Alison will organize a basket with wool and needles from the charity shop.
5. L'Arche wants to visit St Andrew's. Ann to ask Gail about St John's left over candle wax. What happens to St Regulus' candle wax?
6. There has been some discussion in Fortrose about St Andrew's hosting a Pentecost Songs of Praise. Church of Scotland may do something too. Susan and Mel may organize something for Easter.
7. Alan has asked that Mel let him know when Easter plans are finalized as Arpafeelie want to include details in their leaflet drop to the new houses in north Kessock. St Andrew's may also be interested in leafleting the new houses in Fortrose. Ann will send a copy of their leaflet for info.
8. What can we do for Christian Aid? Perhaps kick off the week with a service or concert at St Andrew's. Ann suggested that Mel's youth group might be challenged to organize a fundraiser.
9. There is to be a Fundraising Committee meeting this Friday (8th Feb). Any ideas? Car boot sale? Concert? Meal at Helen Robinson's with Christine cooking? Murder mystery, Mel has

a contact? Cathedral choir, would they come out to do a concert?

10. Pastoral care. Do we need to set up teams of visitors? It is happening already on an informal basis. Do we need a more formal organization? Could we start by ascertaining what is happening in each of our churches?
11. There was a discussion about better advertising to raise our profile in each of our churches. There has been some discussion about improving the signage for Arpafeelie on the A9.
12. Ash Wednesday services are at 12 noon in each of our churches. Other suggestions are Stations of the Cross and lent studies, perhaps joining with the Church of Scotland.

The date of the next meeting was set for Wednesday March 6th at 2pm in the Rectory. All are welcome.