

## **St. John Evangelism Committee Meeting**

### Meeting Minutes

*August 16, 2017- 6:15 p.m.*

*Present:* Joanne Renner, Donna Hillgren, Tim McDermott & Pastor Toensing

*Next meeting:* September 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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#### **I. Opening**

Pastor Toensing helped open the meeting with prayer.

#### **II. Study**

Pastor Toensing shared a passage of scripture, 1 Peter 3:15: "...but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect...", and then followed with an introduction to the study topic, "5 Things You can do to Witness Christ".

#### **III. Meeting Topics**

- a. "5 Things You can do to Witness Christ" – St. John will order a handful of books in preparation for participants at our next meeting. These can then be made available to other groups in the future.
- b. Doane University Community Tour Day – Preparations are now made for setting up a table in the Crete City Park for the Doane student "Community Tour" on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:00 a.m.; table, banner, handouts, treats.
- c. Time & Talent Survey – The Survey has completed its round of approval by each church board. Working with Pastor Toensing, the committee will first distribute the survey immediately following the September 24<sup>th</sup> Worship Service to members present, followed by mailings and/or church mailbox placements for all others. The committee will then ensure feedback to participating members via phone, email or mailbox replies. It is known that collecting/importing data into a useful tool using the church Servant Keeper Membership Program will take time, but worth the anticipated effort.
- d. Visitor Folders – Visitor's folders have now been completed and are placed at the ready on a table in the narthex for now; until a better solution for placement can be made.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:45 p.m.