

## Worship and Music Committee Report 2016

Members: Nila Novotny, MD – Chair, Barb Olson – Secretary, Annette Griffith, Cola Hahn, Judy Temme. Judy Dobbs stepped down halfway through the year.

Music Directors and: Lee Augustin, Bob Arp, Stuart Gausman,

Pastors Edward Yang, Assoc. Pastor, Annika Lister Stroope, Sr. Pastor

**Purpose:** To organize a program of worship services, music and sacraments that will enhance spiritual relationship with God in Christ.

Members of the W & M committee meet monthly or as needed to discuss and suggest ways to enhance the overall worship experience at Federated. Music, environment, liturgy, communion and attendee involvement are all taken into consideration. The pastor and music directors are ex officio members of the committee and participate in all planning and discussions. Committee members look to their professional knowledge and training to enhance the Sunday, Thursday, and Church holiday services. A representative of the Governing Council also serves on the committee.

The challenge of providing something in each worship experience that will speak to the many different needs and desires of the congregation is both difficult and fulfilling.

This year, 2016 found us with the addition of our Associate Pastor who provided input especially in regard to youth and family ministry.

Chairing the Worship and Music committee has been rewarding and interesting.

Respectfully submitted,

Nila Novotny, MD

Chair, Worship and Music committee

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