

Adoration's History 1979

1979 saw the resignation in March of Pastor Harley Meyer as assistant pastor of Adoration. A Farewell Luncheon was given in his honor. Adult activities and educational opportunities included Pot Luck Dinners in March with a program presented by Pastor Warmannent entitled "Camp Opportunities for High School Students" and also in November; Family Nites were held in July with the showing of movies and in December featuring an Advent workshop; a cross country ski outing was held in February; a Church Council Retreat was held at Adoration in March; the church picnic was held in August; on September 16th a 20th Anniversary Celebration was held with a special presentation to Rev. Groth honoring his 50 years in ministry; Bible Study classes were held throughout the year; and the Annual Congregation Meeting was held on December 16th. The youth Group was active throughout the year with the following activities: in February a Pizza Party and Bible Study; in April they participated in the Crop Walk for Hunger; May, horseback riding; June, Great America; in August Pastor Barsch and the Confirmation Students spent a week at Pine Lake Camp; in October the youth attended a retreat in Willimas Bay; and in November they participated in the Holiday Youth Conference in Green Bay. There were 69 children enrolled in Sunday Church School and 35 attended Vacation Church School in July. The Sunday Church School Christmas Program was held on December 23rd. The Synod Convention was held May 31-June 2 at Carthage College in Kenosha and was attended by Pastor Barsch and John Platzer. Sunday Worship Services were held at 9:00 & 10:30 AM; Summer Worship Services were held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM and Sundays at 9:30 AM; Lenten Services were held on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM with Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services also at 7:30 PM; Easter Services were held at 6:30 AM (Sunrise Breakfast Service) and 9:00 & 10:30 AM; Christmas Eve Services were held at 4:30 & 11:00 PM; and a Christmas Day Service was held at 10:30 AM. In May our organist, Sue Krajewski, resigned and Millie Witteman and Barbara Regent offered their talents as co-organists. On the 1st Sunday in Advent we began using the new Lutheran Book of Worship. The year ended with 523 baptized members and 373 confirmed members. Average weekly attendance was 151.