

## **Adoration's History 1980**

1980 was an active and educational year for adults and youth of Adoration. Adults participated in a Ski Day in February with 16 skiers attending; Family Nites were held in March and September; a Brewer's game with tailgate in May; participation in Hunger Awareness Day in October with 32 persons participating in a walk/run in the morning and activities in the evening; an Advent event the first week in Advent; Bible Studies were held throughout the year, in April Bob Zeit attended a Synod Conference at Steven's Point entitled "Energy & Ethics" and then hosted an "Energy Nite" in November for the members of Adoration, the Synod Convention was held at UW-Oshkosh and was attended by Pastor Barsch and Bonnie Niesus, and the Church Picnic was held on September 28. The Youth Group held a car wash and paper drive; went backpacking in the Upper Peninsula in July; attending Pine Lake Camp for a week in August; in October they attended a Carthage College football game and toured the campus and also spent a day at Holy Hill; and in November they went on a hayride and attended the Youth Rally at Holy Cross Church in Menomonee Falls. In July a Memorial Fund began. In October Sarah Kappinaen was hired as Choir Director. We again participated in Lutheran World Relief in the fall of the year. Vacation Church School was held June 16-20 and the Sunday Church School Christmas Program was held on December 23rd. Summer Worship Services were held on Wednesdays at 7 PM and Sundays at 9:30 AM. Lenten Services were held on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM focusing on "What Do We Believe as Lutherans?"; Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services were held at 7:30 PM; and Easter Services were held at 6:30 AM (Sunrise Breakfast Service), 9:00 & 10:30 AM. A Thanksgiving Eve Service was held at 7:30 PM. Christmas Eve Services were held at 7:00 & 11:00 PM and a Christmas Day Service was held at 10:00 AM. Membership at the end of 1980 was 539 baptized members and 392 confirmed members. Average weekly attendance was 156.