

Adoration's History 1981

1981 saw the following activities and educational opportunities made available: in January a Family Cross Country Ski Day, in February a Family Nite Pot Luck with Rev. Cy Warmanen speaking on "Camping Opportunities through the LCA"; in March a Family Nite Pot Luck Supper with slides of the Holy Land; in June a Golf Outing followed by a Pot Luck and Talent Nite and a Bowl-a-thon for World Hunger; Lutheran Night at the Brewer's Game in July; a Youth/Parents volleyball game in August; in September the Church Picnic was held and we participated in Al's Run for Children's Hospital; on October 9-11 we participated in a "Passages Retreat" at the Sienna Center in Racine; also in October a Family hayride & bonfire was held; we began the 1st week in Advent with a Family Nite event entitled "Cosmic Christmas"; in December the Women of Adoration held their Christmas Party and a group of people went Christmas caroling at Mt. Carmel Nursing Home; and Bible Study groups were offered throughout the year. The youth of Adoration were again busy with a Ski week-end with 14 youth attending in February; in June they attended an outing to Great America and a week of backpacking in Upper Michigan; in July there was horseback riding; in October they participated in the World Hunger Hike & Run at the lakefront; in November a bowling outing; and in December they attended the Youth Rally at First Lutheran Church in West Allis. Vacation Church School was held August 10-14 with 42 children in attendance, a Children's Halloween Party was held with 50 children attending, and the Sunday Church School Christmas Program was held on December 20 with the theme being "Christmas Around the World." An Every Member Visit was held in March. In September we hosted a district-wide Stewardship Meeting with 8 churches in attendance. We again participated in the Lutheran World Relief drive and also the LWR Soap Drive. In April our Church Secretary, Darlene Strey, resigned and in June Betty Ouimette assumed the duties of Secretary. Lenten Worship Services were again held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM. This year they were preceded by Family Fellowship Suppers. The Services offered a series of filmstrips called "Faces of Jesus." Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services were held at 7:30 PM with Easter Day Services at 6:30 (Sunrise Breakfast Service) and 9:00 & 10:30 AM. Summer Services were held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM and Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM. A Thanksgiving Eve Service was held on November 25th at 7:30 PM. Christmas Eve Services were held at 4:30, 7:00, & 11:00 PM and a Christmas Day Service at 10:00 AM. Membership in 1981 grew to 565 baptized members and 420 confirmed members. Average weekly attendance was 176.