

St. Luke's Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 18, 2017

Present: Paul Maki, Peggy Moser, Faith Thomas, Karen Linfor, Carl Hoppman, Holly Hoppman, Carolyn Andrews, Carole Vance, David Saxby, Laura Tice, Jack Fenske attended representing the Property Board in Kelly's absence.

Absent: Larry Dockter, Lauren Orcutt, Kelly Boyer, Samantha Basquez

President Maki read the St. Luke's Mission Statement:

"Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we accept God's call to spread the good news, serve those in need, and share the victory of Jesus Christ throughout the world".

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President, Paul Maki at 7:05pm. Pastor Hoppman opened with prayer, remembering the various needs of the congregation.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the June, 2017 Minutes by Peggy Moser, seconded by Faith Thomas. Minutes were approved as written.

President Maki thanked all who worked on the sanctuary remodel project. Jack Fenske, who was the project leader, was presented with a new outfit (including new shoes), from the Worship & Music Board. The dedication and sacrifice of all who participated in any way, is sincerely appreciated. "God's Work, Our Hands". Both Jack and Jerry Carney were presented with huge bags of popcorn!

Treasurer's Report: Written Report On File

Carolyn's reviewed the most recent Treasurer's Report:

Currently in the black. Well ahead of budget YTD. Nothing out of the ordinary to report.

Landscaper bill for June did not get paid until July because the bill was not delivered to the church in time. Extra work billed to us again, however, Carolyn paid the contract amount and indicated to him once again that anything over the contract amount would have to be approved. \$350.00 extra was billed for mowing the back field and trimming the shrubbery.

Pastor's Report: Written report on file

Pastor Hoppman reviewed the highlights of his recent activities:

In addition to the new members received in June, an additional new member has been received into our fellowship; Larry Johnson. Larry came by to help with a plumbing job and was so impressed with what he saw, he decided to join! As Pastor remarked, "Good evangelizing, Jack and Jerry". Pastor was delighted to report that the average attendance in June this year, was higher than the average attendance in June last year, due in part to the Two-Con Ministry, although attendance is not the sole focus of that ministry, people do like to know that they have been missed. Pastor also remarked that the attitude of everyone due to the sanctuary refurbishment project was fantastic, and so appreciated.

Pastor will give a full report at a future date regarding the memorial fund.

He enjoyed spending time with everyone at the fireworks booth.

Summer potlucks have begun, with good attendance and great food.

The 500th anniversary of the Reformation is the study subject.

Pastor will be on vacation August 14 – September 2. Pastor Ron Zoesch will fill in.

Meyer Fund Update: (Holly Hoppman)

Holly reported that the new flooring in the sanctuary is complete.

The 14-foot screen and projector system has been installed in the sanctuary. The next thing on the priority list would be new appliances.

At this point, Jack indicated that there is one unknown with regard to "prep" work...the carpet representative is putting the figures together. Jack estimates this figure may be around \$3,000.00.

Jack talked to Connie and Nancy regarding the appliances. He and Jerry have agreed to install them when they arrive to keep the cost down.

Fireworks recap: President Maki reported for Larry: Total sales this year: \$27,300.00, after all expenses were paid, \$8100.00 profit.

Larry also thanked all who were faithful in helping to make this project a success, and a special thanks to Triss Hoppman for the very yummy meal on July 4th!

President Maki indicated that Holly will give a demonstration to Council on the use of the new copy machine after our meeting.

Finance Board/Special Funds Report:

David Saxby reported for Finance.

Dave discussed that the Narthex fund did not get transferred.

Pastor stated that he talked with Ron Webb, and Ron indicated that he will move all those funds into the Don Miller Memorial fund.

The other subject was regarding mailing the mid-year giving report to the congregants, and possibly having the church secretary fold and put the letters into envelopes. It was quickly decided that this is a privacy issue, and not the responsibility of the secretary.

Jack commented on the Financial Secretary/Special Funds Report:

As of mid-year, we are below both budget and 2016 offerings about \$5,000 or 4-1/2% roughly, on each category. Hopefully there will be a bounce-back during the July 5 Sundays.

Committee Reports:

Community Concerns: Written Report On File

Faith Thomas, reported as follows:

Collecting school supplies.

Share a sole program underway, size 3 to adult size 10.

Pastor discussed a recent opportunity he had to share with someone in need, and expressed his appreciation about what a wonderful outreach we are happy to be part of in showing hospitality to the community.

Evangelism Board: Written report on file

Carole Vance reported

Orange soda float on Sunday – enjoyable!

A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex for new Diner's Groups (September, October and November).

Outreach Luncheon scheduled for August 12 at #1 Buffet.

Working on New Member bags (Carole and Carolyn).

Sunday greeters needed for September.

Planning for October 29th Reformation service.

After service refreshment help needed on August 13th.

Two-Con calls going very well.

September picnic planned.

Property Board: Written Report on File

Jack reported in Kelly's absence:

Jack reported big “thank you” to Kirsten and Ed Ireton, who installed all the new HVAC registers in the sanctuary, and did a fantastic job. New registers are being ordered for Schultz Hall.

Back flow connection was \$200 to fix – the job was done for free, the gentleman requested a letter to that effect, which Jack took care of.

Choir room painted – looks great! Thank you Property Board.

Regarding the gates, and needing to have a key to get in. Pastor commented that a recent challenge occurred with a woman who brings her Pitbull with her, and the dog is pretty vicious. Padlocks have been installed on the two gates to get in, and they are the same as the other padlocks, except for the one that someone tried to break into. The sliding gate to the main parking lot is now locked, and the little gate to the park is now locked. The woman and her dog are now “camping” outside the gate. It’s not a good situation, because we could be liable if the dog should attack someone. Peggy will check with her son-in-law regarding what additional steps can be taken.

Worship & Music: Written Report on File

Peggy Moser reported as follows:

Worship and Music reviewed all the upcoming important dates.

Sanctuary cleaned and dusted on the 8th.

On the 15th choir work party – organized music.

Thank you to Jerry Carney for making new carpet inserts for the hymnals.

New pencils inserted in pew holders.

7-22: Ken Lentsch memorial and luncheon.

7-23: Pastor’s 40th anniversary celebration.

7-30: Lauren’s baby shower

8-6: Filling backpacks

8-20/9-2 Pastor on vacation – Pastor Zoesch will fill-in.

Overflow room no longer a “junk” room. The room behind Schultz Hall will be used for Fall Festival items.

Youth: Written Report Submitted

Laura Tice reported for the Youth Board.

The youth would like to go to Santa Cruz – Pastor will see if he can find a church where they can spend the night.

Possible congregational sleep-out the week after the Luau.

The Youth service project is putting together small sewing kits to include in the homeless gift bags.

Education: No Written Report Submitted

Summer program going very well. Exciting Fall season coming up. Pastor talked with Laura regarding a way to hopefully boost confirmation attendance. Discussed having a 3-hour class, including lunch, once a month. The same material will be covered easily.

WELCA: No Written Report Submitted

Holly Hoppman, WELCA President reported as follows:

Backpack stuffing August 6th.

Baby shower for Lauren Orcutt on July 30th. Lauren is registered at Amazon.

Adjourned to the front office for orientation of new photocopier.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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