

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Voters' Meeting

April 13, 2008

President Ken Arndt called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m. Pastor Bitter opened with a prayer. (Copies of all reports are available from the church council secretary.) 20 voters were present.

Secretary's Report

MSP: To dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as written.

Membership

Ratification of Council transactions:

MSP: To ratify the reinstatement of Ashley Erdmann as a member at St. Luke's.

MSP: To ratify the release of Kristin Vielbig at her request from her membership at St. Luke's.

MSP: To ratify the release of Mandi Kula (Crystal Lake, IL) from membership at St. Luke's by her request.

MSP: To ratify the release of Susan Margelofsky and her son, Brandon Nelson, by her request from their membership at St. Luke's.

MSP: To ratify the release of Amy Collien from membership at St. Luke's at her request.

Action By Voters

MSP: To transfer Kelly Schuh to Grace, Oshkosh, as requested.

MSP: To receive Amber O'Laire as a member from St. Peters Lutheran Church, Sturgeon Bay, WI.

MSP: To receive by confirmation Dean Perlick and Robert Zills.

Christian Growth Committee: Carl Lehner

No report (Vacation Bible School needs to be scheduled.)

Outreach Committee: Bruce Rhode

Easter breakfast was a success. About 210 guests were served.

The Outreach Committee has taken over running the video projection equipment on the Sundays that the WELS DVD is shown. The other services are done by the Shepherding Committee.

Bruce has met with some of the members of the old rebuilding committee to discuss ways to

keep sunlight from fading out the WELS video. It doesn't interfere with the regular liturgy. He has contacted Werner Harmsen to get estimates on two types of pull down shades. Plastic (\$376) and cloth (\$548) would both cut glare while allowing worshipers to still see the stained glass windows. Installation would be \$28. The shades would only be down during color presentations.

The committee is developing materials to use with visitors and prospects in our area. The blue visitor card in the pews is a sample. Please let Bruce know if you know of someone in our area that would be a likely contact.

Lutheran School Committee: Dan Flood

Mr. Miller reported that the Musicale is Friday, April 18. The Appreciation Dinner is on Monday, May 5, at 6 p.m.

A Kindergarten and Preschool Round-Up was held. So far there are 2 enrolled in kindergarten, 4 in four-year-old preschool, and none in three-year-old preschool. These numbers are likely to change in the months ahead.

The school financial records were audited by Bruce Rhode. Everything looked fine.

The committee exploring the future of our grade school had its first meeting. Twelve attended the three-hour meeting. Their next meeting is April 16.

Shepherding Committee: John Roehl

The committee's next meeting is 7 p.m. on May 6. The committee was pleased to report that several of the members they had been working with had attended services during Holy Week.

The committee has been sending out multiple mailings and phoning inactive members. The following members have not responded in any way.

MSP: To remove Rick Roth and his children; Hailey, Shelby, and Taylor; from membership.

MSP: To remove Thomas Henning from membership.

MSP: To remove Mark Baumhardt from membership.

MSP: To remove Chelsea Wiese from membership.

Properties Committee: Dave Holz

The snow and ice on the roof that caused the leak in the electrical room has been removed. Dean Geisthardt will be working to permanently repair the problem. C.D. Smith may provide some assistance.

Taylor Rhode will be mowing the church property this year.

The commons furnace has been checked and is working properly.

The wind damage to the church carport will be taken care of.

WLA Representatives

Mr. Strusz has accepted a call to teach English.

Anniversary Committee: Ken Arndt

Pastor's anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday, June 29, with a 2:30 p.m. worship service. A potluck meal and entertainment will follow. MSP: To cancel the Monday evening worship service on June 30 because there will be two services that Sunday. MSP: To not buy additional new chairs to go with our extra new "damaged" tables.

Finance Committee: Dale Hinze

Dale Hinze and Dan Rosenau were both absent. Tim Panzer explained both reports for the voters.

The General Fund receipts were \$59,958.25 for the first quarter of the year. Total receipts were \$83,360.75.

The Student Aid Fund has a balance of \$1732.30. Deposit in a short term CD and/or dispersal of the funds were discussed.

Treasurer's Report: Dan Rosenau

The General Fund started 2008 with a deficit of \$32,525.28. Deposits so far are \$81,561.50 with expenditures of \$85,658.87. This leaves a negative balance of \$36,622.65.

The Bank of Oakfield loan is now \$25,000.

Baehler Trust Fund: Dave Kenyon

- Current investments are \$75,018.89.
- Our mortgage balance is \$69,960.42.
- The checkbook balance is \$108.97.

MSP: To accept all three financial reports.

Unfinished Business:

Dave Kenyon reported that the audit of the treasurer's records was completed. No problems were found.

The vacancy in the Christian Growth Committee has not yet been filled. Any interested voting member should contact Ken Arndt.

Church Council Recommendations:

That there be only one service on the Sunday before Christmas at 10:15 a.m. This would be our grade school and Sunday School children's service.

The recommendation was tabled until the next Voters' Meeting to give members more time to consider it.

New Business

MSP: To display the liturgy, hymns, and readings on the screen during all services.

MSP: To appoint Tom Laich as our district convention delegate.

Tabled: Ben Gruenwald's voting membership.

Church Council Business:

MSP: To approve Pastor's request for a vacation day on the last Sunday of May.

After a MSP to adjourn, the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

John Sankey
Church Secretary

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Financial Report

3/31/2008

Fund	Amount
General Fund	59,958.25
Initial Envelope	263.50
Lent	2,923.00
Lent Coin Folders	446.50
Maundy Thursday	763.00
Good Friday	981.00
Easter	4,037.00
Mission	10.00
Christmas Day	3.00
New Years Eve	19.00
Plate Offering	1,073.30
General Fund Memorial	580.00
Other General Funds (Common,Ect)	15.00
Other General Funds (Interest)	5.31
Other General Funds (Baehler)	8,773.64
Debt Retirement	914.00
Forward in Christ	396.00
Tuition	400.00
Other General Funds	21,603.25
Parish Improvement	574.00
Communion Fund	910.45
Sunday School Offerings	97.80
WLA-Forward in Trust	90.00
Student Aid Fund	127.00
Other Funds	1,799.25
Total:	83,360.75

	Total Required	General Fund Offerings	Week 13	Per Week
2008 Budget:	331,248.00		82,812.00	6,370.15
2008 Beginning Balance:	0.00	81,561.50	81,561.50	6,273.96
Difference:			-1,250.50	-96.19

	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Interest	Assistance	Current Balance
Student Aid Fund:	1,730.63	0.00	1.67	0.00	1,732.30

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Weekly Summary

3/31/2008

Date	General Fund	Other General Funds	All General Funds	Other	Amount Given
1/6/2008	5,812.00	308.55	6,120.55	17.25	6,137.80
1/13/2008	3,881.50	255.55	4,137.05	62.25	4,199.30
1/20/2008	4,265.00	342.30	4,607.30	186.30	4,793.60
1/27/2008	3,941.00	5,419.65	9,360.65	357.25	9,717.90
2/3/2008	5,758.00	431.00	6,189.00	128.00	6,317.00
2/10/2008	2,831.00	621.74	3,452.74	165.00	3,617.74
2/17/2008	1,861.00	1,079.75	2,940.75	48.00	2,988.75
2/24/2008	7,539.00	185.25	7,724.25	283.00	8,007.25
3/2/2008	5,521.00	718.25	6,239.25	44.25	6,283.50
3/9/2008	3,986.75	658.20	4,644.95	148.00	4,792.95
3/16/2008	4,948.00	647.03	5,595.03	30.00	5,625.03
3/23/2008	4,793.00	7,000.75	11,793.75	89.95	11,883.70
3/30/2008	4,821.00	3,935.23	8,756.23	240.00	8,996.23
Total:	59,958.25	21,603.25	81,561.50	1,799.25	83,360.75
2007 Week 13 :	59,516.50	18,082.52	77,599.02	8,829.42	86,428.44
2006 Week 13 :	59,465.60	15,566.44	75,032.04	8,150.78	83,182.82

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Treasurer Report

3/31/2008

Checkbook Breakdown					
Account	Checkbook Account	Beg. Bal. 1/01/08	Deposits	Expenditures	Balance
1000	General Fund	-32,525.28	81,561.50	85,658.87	-36,622.65
3000	Parish Improvement	15,780.45	574.00	0.00	16,354.45
4000	Communion Fund	0.00	910.45	0.00	910.45
4100	Sunday School Offerings	171.60	97.80	0.00	269.40
4400	Music Fund	197.36	0.00	0.00	197.36
4500	School Fund	1,220.57	0.00	0.00	1,220.57
8000	WLA-Forward in Trust	0.00	90.00	0.00	90.00
8400	Called Worker Gifts	3.00	0.00	0.00	3.00
9000	Student Aid Fund	2.00	127.00	0.00	129.00
9500	Bank Loan	20,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	25,000.00
Total:		4,849.70	88,360.75	85,658.87	7,551.58

Check book Balance

Mortgage Balance: 69,960.42

Operating Loan: 25,000.00

Parish Improvement CD: 5,000.00

	Since: 3/01/08	Deposits	2008 Planned	Y.T.D. % of Plan
Deposit Total:	37,029.21	81,561.50	321,868.85	25.34%

General Fund Balance for Year: -4,097.37

General Fund Detail Expenditures					
Account	General Fund Budget Account	Since: 3/01/08	Year to Date	2008 Budget	Y.T.D. % of Budget
1100	WELS Missions	6,583.32	9,874.98	39,500.00	25.00%
1110	WLA Operating	4,916.66	7,374.24	29,500.00	25.00%
1120	Salaries	12,637.23	35,287.47	144,186.00	24.47%
1130	Insurance	1,757.75	9,275.75	36,500.00	25.41%
1140	Utilities	4,483.78	7,565.19	21,000.00	36.02%
1150	Social Security	2,014.12	2,355.08	11,489.00	20.50%
1160	Pensions	0.00	1,578.75	5,894.00	26.79%
1170	Postage & Supplies	387.75	1,106.16	4,000.00	27.65%
1180	Maintenance & Repairs	679.49	2,610.11	7,500.00	34.80%
1190	Mileage	144.94	369.31	2,000.00	18.47%
1200	Organists	670.00	830.00	2,500.00	33.20%
1210	Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	114.31	1,500.00	7.62%
1220	Substitute Workers	360.00	780.00	1,500.00	52.00%
1230	Outreach Committee	669.43	750.07	1,000.00	75.01%
1240	Christian Growth Committee	33.34	965.92	3,000.00	32.20%
1250	Shepherding Committee	110.21	247.63	1,200.00	20.64%
1260	School Committee	0.00	73.00	300.00	24.33%
1270	Finance Committee	29.90	541.56	3,000.00	18.05%
1280	Mortgage	1,168.91	3,506.73	14,029.00	25.00%
1290	Operating Loan Interest	177.61	452.61	1,650.00	27.43%
Y.T.D. Spending Total:		36,824.44	85,658.87	331,248.00	25.86%

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Church Attendance Report

3/31/2008

	2008				2007				2006			
Service	Date	First	Second	Total	Date	First	Second	Total	Date	First	Second	Total
January Week 1	Sun, 6th.	87	112	199	Sun, 7th.	114	118	232	Sun, 1st.	0	115	115
January Week 2	Sun, 13th.	74	115	189	Sun, 14th.	80	164	244	Sun, 8th.	108	169	277
January Week 3	Sun, 20th.	104	119	223	Sun, 21st.	129	96	225	Sun, 15th.	115	145	260
January Week 4	Sun, 27th.	111	122	233	Sun, 28th.	113	137	250	Sun, 22nd.	144	121	265
January Week 5									Sun, 29th.	123	147	270
January	Average:	211	Total:	844	Average:	190	Total:	951	Average:	297	Total:	1187
February Week 1	Sun, 3rd.	84	122	206	Sun, 4th.	93	92	185	Sun, 5th.	119	121	240
February Week 2	Sun, 10th.	49	73	122	Sun, 11th.	84	120	204	Sun, 12th.	113	113	226
February Week 3	Sun, 17th.	0	0	0	Sun, 18th.	90	136	226	Sun, 19th.	102	98	200
February Week 4	Sun, 24th.	127	162	289	Sun, 25th.	0	61	61	Sun, 26th.	90	158	248
February	Average:	206	Total:	617	Average:	169	Total:	676	Average:	229	Total:	914
March Week 1	Sun, 2nd.	112	99	211	Sun, 4th.	89	142	231	Sun, 5th.	157	146	303
March Week 2	Sun, 9th.	79	121	200	Sun, 11th.	79	134	213	Sun, 12th.	128	123	251
March Week 3	Sun, 16th.	101	126	227	Sun, 18th.	64	151	215	Sun, 19th.	117	113	230
March Week 4	Sun, 23rd.	264	100	364	Sun, 25th.	127	148	275	Sun, 26th.	132	106	238
March Week 5	Sun, 30th.	112	93	205								
March	Average:	241	Total:	1207	Average:	234	Total:	934	Average:	256	Total:	1022
Lent Week 1	Wed, 6th.	9	50	59	Wed, 21st.	31	113	144	Wed, 1st.	45	107	152
Lent Week 2	Wed, 13th.	33	73	106	Wed, 28th.	28	72	100	Wed, 8th.	31	68	99
Lent Week 3	Wed, 20th.	31	67	98	Wed, 7th.	31	108	139	Wed, 15th.	42	90	132
Lent Week 4	Wed, 27th.	26	98	124	Wed, 14th.	33	71	104	Wed, 22nd.	42	83	125
Lent Week 5	Wed, 5th.	29	83	112	Wed, 21st.	33	77	110	Wed, 29th.	34	93	127
Lent Week 6	Wed, 12th.	25	63	88	Wed, 28th.	30	97	127	Wed, 5th.	28	88	116
Lent	Average:	98	Total:	587	Average:	121	Total:	724	Average:	125	Total:	751
Maundy Thursday	Thu, 20th.		136	136	Thu, 5th.		160	160	Thu, 13th.		191	191
Good Friday	Fri, 21st.		166	166	Fri, 6th.		200	200	Fri, 14th.		187	187
Maundy Thursd	Average:	151	Total:	302	Average:	180	Total:	360	Average:	189	Total:	378

	2008					2007					2006				
	Number Events	Event Average	Number Services	Service Average	Total	Number Events	Event Average	Number Services	Service Average	Total	Number Events	Event Average	Number Services	Service Average	Total
Sunday	12	222	24	111	2668	12	213	23	111	2561	13	240	25	125	3123
Special	8	111	14	64	889	8	136	14	77	1084	8	141	14	81	1129
Total	20	178	38	94	3557	20	182	37	99	3645	21	202	39	109	4252

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Communion Attendance Summary Report

3/31/2008

2008

2007

2006

Service	Date	2008				2007			2006		
		First	Second	Communed	Registered	Date	Communed	Registered	Date	Communed	Registered
January	1/27	96	95	191	182	1/28	213	209	1/29	230	195
February	2/24	98	131	229	187	2/25	53	52	2/26	188	180
Maundy Thursday	3/20	0	125	125	132	4/05	140	137	4/13	157	156
Good Friday	3/21	0	125	125	126	4/06	162	152	4/14	142	140
March	3/30	95	71	166	171	3/25	227	209	3/26	210	179
Total		289	547	836	798		795	759		927	850

	Number Members	Percent
Has not Attend in the Last Two Years	32	7.7%
Has not Attend in the Last Year	30	7.2%
Has not Attend in the Last Six Months	19	4.5%
Has not Attend in the Last Three Months	42	10.0%
Attend in the Last Three Months	295	70.6%
Total Number Members:	418	100.0%

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Membership Activity Summary

3/31/2008

New Members

Child: 0 Adult: 3 Total: 3

By Reinstatement

Child: 0 Adult: 1 Total: 1

Ashley Erdmann

By Adult Confirmation

Child: 0 Adult: 2 Total: 2

Dean Perlick

Robert Zills

Membership Losses

Child: -1 Adult: -10 Total: -11

By Death

Child: 0 Adult: -1 Total: -1

David Volbright

By Transfer

Child: 0 Adult: -1 Total: -1

Lucas Schmidt

By Release

Child: 0 Adult: -4 Total: -4

Brandon Nacke

Susan Margelofsky

Brandon Nelson

Amy Collien

By Removal

Child: -1 Adult: -4 Total: -5

Brandi Schmidt

Taliah Barton *

Ashley Erdmann

Kristin Vielbig

Mandi Kula

* Child

	<u>Children</u>	<u>Communicants</u>	<u>Total Souls</u>
Membership 1/1/2008	65	425	490
Membership Gains	0	3	3
Membership Losses	-1	-10	-11
Membership 3/31/2008	64	418	482