

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Voter's Meeting

April 18, 2010

President Rick Reehl called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. Pastor Goelzer opened with devotion and prayer.

Secretary's Report:

MSP: To accept the January Voter's Meeting minutes as written.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Goelzer reported on the Church Attendance Report and the Communion Attendance Summary Report. Pastor reported that 37% of our communicant members had not communed in 2009; that percentage, since initiating the offering of communion twice a month, is now at 23.9%.

Pastor also reported two funerals; one for Ruth Jahns & the other for Irene Morrison.

Membership:

Pastor Goelzer reported on the Membership Activity Report. MSP: (3) transfers to St. Luke's: Floralee Myers, Wes Schaumburg & Kris Miller, (3) adult confirmands added as members: Jeremiah Prochnow, Bob Frost & Joshua Metzger. (3) release of memberships from St. Luke's: Ronald F. Geidel and Robert & Rachel Hinze.

Christian Growth Committee: Tom Laich

President Rick Reehl reporting for Tom Laich. Rick reported that a core group has been established and a meeting was held April 8, 2010. They are getting people lined up to head up one of each of the following groups: Teen Bible study, VBS, Sunday School & cradle roll.

Outreach Committee: Bruce Rhode

Bruce reported on the Easter breakfast along with a couple changes that occurred; the forming of four lines for buffet style serving & the late service being moved up to 9:00 a.m. Approximately 220 people were served within 45 minutes & those who wished to attend late service were also able to enjoy the Easter breakfast. Council was thanked for setup and cleanup. Also information gathered will be streamlined for the next council member for all the years' activities that took place.

Blast Into Spring expenditures and costs incurred were \$1,500.00. This was not a budgetary

item however enough donations were received to cover the costs.

Bruce also suggested that we go back having service greeters for members/guests along with Pastor Goelzer. Plans for a Church picnic are also being worked on.

Lutheran School Committee: Dan Flood

Principal Brian Miller reported the School Fund contributed \$200.00 towards the Blast Into Spring.

Brian also reported that the schools book fees collected the last 3 to 4 years are going to be used to update the school's curriculum at a cost of \$6,000.00 to \$7,000.00. May 3rd a PACK meeting is scheduled and the WLA Kids are going to be singing, dancing & acting.

May 21st Joanne Tetzlaff is scheduled for hip surgery. Two substitute teachers are in place & curriculum for Joanne's classes are set up. Joanne will be doing a round up for kindergarten prospects and the School Committee will be doing a round up for preschool prospects. May 27th the school closing/graduation service is scheduled for one 8th grade student.

Brian also offered two thank you's; one for the use of the church and other for the many members gifts and well wishes for his recent marriage. He also offered a thank you to the congregation for support of the School Wish List and asked that the program be continued.

Shepherding Committee: Dale Hinze

It was reported that Ron Geidel has completed building a higher stand with a light for the attendance sign-in sheets and he also made a post to hold the children's activity bags.

New reserve signs were purchased and placed on pews in church. A request was made to the Sound Committee for the sound system to be looked at in the balcony & a second request to have Reagan Arndt & Chuck Schaumburg submit a 3 month ushers schedule so that the Deacon's know in advance who they have on their team. Also our Worship Team will be conducting a survey in regards to our summer worship schedule.

Properties Committee: Paul Rhode

Paul reported in the first quarter a number of items that were repaired and/or installed which depleted approximately one third of his Maintenance & Repair budget. Paul also reported that he will be out of town for a minimum of 6 months; he has Dave Holz covering for him in the interim but plans to still attend meeting when available.

Secretary Committee: Dean Geisthardt

Dean reported on the Secretarial Committee Meeting minutes from April 14, 2010. It was also reported that the new Worship Service Folders (a.k.a. bulletins) will be handed out as members enter church & the bulletin inserts will be handed out as you exit.

Dean reported the next Secretarial Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

WLA:

It was reported that Pastor John Boggs accepted the call to WLA as Director of Mission Advancement, acting as a go-between the Association Churches and WLA.

Finance Committee: Tim Panzer

Tim reported April 15, 2010 total YTD income of \$96,916.34.

Baehler Trust Fund – no report.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Tetzlaff

Total General Fund deposits for the year are \$96,916.34 with expenditures of \$89,013.49. The checkbook balance is \$13,067.90.

The mortgage balance with the Baehler Trust is \$47,865.61. Our operating loan balance is \$65,000.00. It was also reported that \$800.00 per month, based on the \$8,000.00 budgeted for 2010, will be paid toward the principal & interest of our current operating loan.

MSP: To approve both financial reports.

Other Committees:

April 15, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. a meeting was held for the Called Worker Care Committee. President Rick Reehl will be heading up this committee and visitations will be scheduled in the very near future.

Old Business:

Dave Tetzlaff reported that the auditing of St. Luke's books has been completed by Margie

Toschner at a cost of \$125.00 and on April 16, 2010 she reported that everything was found to be in order.

Paul Rhode & Rick Reehl reported that the problems with the gym walls and ceiling are being addressed by C.D. Smith & Sure Fire.

New Business:

A recommendation was made to the voters to purchase a projector for church at a cost of \$1,600.00. MSP

A recommendation was made to the voters for approval of the St. Luke's Policy and By-law book. MSP

A recommendation was made to the voters to buy a pull down screen for the commons at a cost of \$100.00. MSP

Dave Tetzlaff was asked to obtain monthly loan payment information for a 30, 20 & 15 year loan at the Bank of Oakfield however it was decided to stay with our current line of credit loan. This due to the low interest rate offered and our current line of credit loan provides us the opportunity to instantly borrow additional funds if needed.

Subcommittees with Appointed Members:

Student Aid Committee (Subcommittee of the Finance Committee)

Bill O'Laire (2010)

John Panzer (2011)

WLA Representatives (Subcommittee of the Lutheran School Committee)

Dan Flood (2010)

John Panzer (2011)

Tom Laich (2012)

President Rick Reehl and the voter's thanked Pastor Goelzer for his hard work and noted what a blessing he has been to our church and congregation.

MSP to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Geisthardt
Church Secretary

Attendance: 18 voting members

Copies of all reports are available from the church council secretary and from St. Luke's report website. reports.stlukesoakfield.com