

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2021

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm. Dan Way, Stephanie Smith, Michael Dowden, Beth Frederick, Stacie Shepherd, Collin Frederick, Mary DeYoung, and Pastor Kalen were in attendance.

Congregational Mission: *On our way rejoicing, proclaiming, teaching, and sharing God's love.*

Dwelling in the Word: Stacie Sheppard read John 6:1-21. Discussion followed. Pastor led prayer.

Minutes from last meeting: A Stephanie Smith/Stacie Sheppard motion/second to approve the minutes from the June meeting was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Secretary's Report: A Stacie/Collin motion/second to approve was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The General Fund balance is \$5489.86. A Stacie/Collin motion/second to approve was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education: VBS is on for this week and is going very well. The kids will be leading service on Sunday. The kids will get a flyer announcing Rally Day for Sunday School in September. Pastor Kalen is leading adult bible study is on Wednesday evenings.

Evangelism:

Property: A Mike Dowden/Collin Frederick motion/second to send the quote for the brick repair to the finance committee for approval, and to start line of credit process carried unanimously. Based on the Finance committee resolution, a congregational meeting may be held on August 8th.

Stewardship: Beth will start a fundraising campaign for funds for the bell tower repair.

Worship & Music: Congregants seemed to be very happy with the 'opening' of worship.

Youth:

WELCA:

Parsonage:

Technology: Mike is working to continue to update the website.

Renewal:

Council President's Report: no report

Pastor's Report:

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Prayer and Devotional Time

- I'm praying for the world, those on prayer list, VBS, and mission trip.

Worship

- Worship continues in person and online.
- Chris will be gone July 25 and August 1st. We have the option of using CD accompaniment, or I can play hymns. Our usual substitute is not available.

Pastoral Care

- 2 hospital visits, one nursing home visit

Christian Education

- We are gathering for summer Bible study on Wednesday evenings and have 6 participants.
- There will be no students of confirmation age after Brendan and Konnor are confirmed in October. I may use the extra time to offer a Wednesday Bible study during the school year.

Youth Ministry

- I and 3 high school students are leaving from Christ Lutheran on Sunday morning July 11th for the mission trip. We will return Friday July 16th. Please pray for safety and for the youth to grow in faith.
- We may be doing a youth group activity with Jefferson Prairie Lutheran August 22nd.

Continuing Education

- Our pastor's text study group has been meeting during the pandemic through ZOOM. We have resumed gathering at each other's churches. The pastors will meet at our building on July 27th.
- I took part in the Homiletics Festival, a free virtual event hosted by Luther Seminary.

This Sunday VBS children will be leading worship when I am away on the mission trip. I am going to be gone Sunday August 15th. Cindy is using her sermon that was planned for this Sunday on August 15th.

Old Business: Our Church not selected for the grant.
The picnic table was donated to the village.

New Business:

Bills: Bills presented total \$8442.91. A Mike Dowden/Stacie Sheppard motion/second to approve the bill list was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Month:

Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm

July Counters: Dan Way and Collin Frederick

August Counters: Stephanie Smith and ?

Prayer Concerns:

Motion to Adjourn: A Stephanie Smith/Mike Dowden motion/second to adjourn at 7:17 pm was made. Motion carried Unanimously.

Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth Frederick
Council Secretary