

## Council Meeting

August 12, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Christy Phillips at 6:30 p.m. Present: Cindy Gosse, Barb Hayek, Maureen Even, Shirley Bergman and Pastor Pat Mohr-Kelly. Absent, Mitch Hayek.

Devotions by Pastor Pat.

Motion by Barb Hayek second by Shirley Bergman to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

### **Treasurer's report:**

Treasurer Cindy Gosse reported that \$5,000 was transferred from savings for the annual insurance premium payment. Also, with the current offerings and reimbursement from Zion for July expenses the current balance of checking is \$8,571.31. Motion by Maureen Even second by Barb Hayek to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Motion by Maureen Even second by Cindy Gosse to approve the minutes of the June 17<sup>th</sup> and July 8<sup>th</sup> reports with corrections. Motion carried.

Christy Phillips reviewed the report submitted by Secretary Chris Waring of the tasks she performed the past month.

### **Committee Reports:**

Hospitality – No report

Parish Ed – VBS was held August 4<sup>th</sup> with around 60 kids attending. The first evening was very hot so the 2<sup>nd</sup> night it was moved to JBF, returning to the park the rest of the week. The kids really enjoyed the week. The offering was designated for the University of Iowa Children's hospital, raising \$326.73. Each night a family within the community talked about their experience with the Children's hospital. Parish Ed will meet on August 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss Wednesday worship. Leaders this year will be Christy Phillips, Teri Schares, Beth Stanek and members of the Youth Group want to help. Sara Borland and Beth Stanek will continue to lead the Youth Group.

Property/Technology – Shirley Bergman met with Pastor Pat and Rich to review the parsonage contract. Thank you to members of the congregation that assisted with unloading the POD at the parsonage. A tree will need to be dug out of the rose bush on the east side of the church behind the bell. Dave Peterson was called to fix the door on the bell tower. Pastor Pat asked if it was ok to plant some mums in pots to add some color to the landscape at the parsonage. Barb Hayek said she would pick up some mums when they are available for Pastor. Mike Mostek asked if the garage would be available this winter for use. After discussion, motion by Barb Hayek second by Maureen Even to allow Mike Mostek to use the garage in exchange for removing the snow at the parsonage. Motion carried. Pastor reported the smoke alarm goes off when they turn on the oven. Maureen Even will get the alarm in the hallway of the parsonage replaced.

Scholarship – No report

Worship & Music - A meeting was held July 11<sup>th</sup> to choose hymns and plan the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary music. Carol Anhalt will lead the choir and choir members were contacted. The 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration was very nice. Thank you to members of the committee for all of their work, Maureen Even, Mary Adams, Chris Waring, Sheila Collins and Shirley Bergman.

Youth – The youth have returned from a very successful gathering in New Orleans. All the youth were sent a letter for Sunday evening, August 15<sup>th</sup> to get together with pizza to organize plans for the year.

Call committee – Committee Chair Amanda Phillips has not heard anything from the Synod. Pastor wants to work with the Call committees to update the MSP. After it is updated it will go back to the council and then the congregation before sending to Pastor Liz at the Synod. Pastor expressed we have to make it look good and inviting for a candidate.

Pastor's report – Pastor has started visiting members especially shut-ins. Pastor would like Chris Waring to continue to attend the Ministerial meeting and Mary Adams to continue with the devotions at Winding Creek so she can concentrate on revitalizing the church. Pastor presented the ELCA curriculum she wants to use for confirmation. It is lively and the kids will enjoy it. She wants the students to understand the meaning and not the memorization of the Commandments. Also, involving the kids in worship. All council members agreed with Pastor's recommendation to use the ELCA curriculum. Pastor would like to have a healing service. Council agreed to allow a healing service quarterly. Confirmation orientation will be August 28<sup>th</sup> with pizza. Confirmation will meet every Wednesday evening. Women's Bible Study will be September 5<sup>th</sup> at ALC. Pastor assisted with VBS.

### **New Business:**

Cindy Gosse presented information on the copier replacement. Two proposals were received and reviewed with Chris Waring. Cindy Gosse recommend the Canon copier for a 60 month lease. Motion by Barb Hayek second by Maureen Even to proceed with a 60 month lease with Gordon Flesch for the Canon copier. Motion carried.

Confirmation curriculum has been ordered. Letters have been sent to all confirmation students and parents.

Jessica Saunders sent an email to the secretary to ask if they could use the fellowship hall on August 24<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 for her daughter's birthday party if there is inclement weather. Motion by Cindy Gosse second by Maureen Even to allow Jessica Saunders to use the fellowship hall on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

Deacon assignments for the month of September were made.

Motion by Cindy Gosse second by Maureen Even to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Gosse  
Acting Secretary