

American Lutheran Church
July Council Meeting
July 12, 2021

President Maureen Even called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Present were Pastor Kristen Corr Rod, Maureen Even, Mike Waring, Shirley Bergman, Christa Leach, Sue Hoey, Beth Stanek, and Sheila Collins. Loren Corkery attended a portion of the meeting by phone.

Maureen led devotions from Acts 21: 27-39 and a reading from *Christ in Our Home* and concluded with a prayer.

Treasurer's Report – The check book balance at the end of June was \$8,911.54. The deposit from Jubilee for fixed expenses was \$2,786.27 and will be listed as a separate item from total deposits. Variable expenses for Jubilee for June will be billed this month. Sheila Collins made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Sue Hoey. Motion carried. A motion was made by Christa Leach to use Keith Oltrogge, CPA, PC from Denver, Iowa for preparation of our W-2 and 1099 forms at an annual cost of \$100.00 and payroll services at \$30.00 per month. Second by Mike Waring. Motion carried. Loren will contact Mr. Oltrogge to see if the quarterly 941 tax payment is included in his tax services. A copy of these approved minutes will be sent to Mr. Oltrogge.

Secretary's Report – Beth Stanek made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2021 council meeting with one correction. Second by Mike Waring. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Memorial – A meeting has been scheduled for August 10.

Abundant Life – No report.

Hospitality – No report.

Parish Ed – VBS is scheduled for the evenings of August 15 – 18.

Property –

Parsonage –

Some landscape weeding has been done. The grass is very thin. The yard will be chemically treated in the fall for weeds and thistles.

A downspout was reattached.

The furnace filter has been changed.

The basement drain snaking will be done soon.

Church -

Landscape weeding has been done in the parking lot.

Improvements have been made to custodian closets.

The confirmation picture frame has been moved to the fellowship room.

Confirmation pictures for the last two years will be put in the display.

The furnace filter was checked but did not need to be replaced now.

Scholarship – No report.

Technology – No report.

Worship and Music – Tyler Hoey’s Ordination will be Saturday July 24 at 1:00 p.m.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday August 21 at 2:00 p.m. for members who died during Covid. Letters have been sent to the families of Doris LeBahn, Mary Jo Sullivan, Bud Marsh, Ron Bushkofsky, Mike Peters, Lavon Lux, Julie Truog, and Marilyn Schultz. There will be confirmation on Sunday October 31, 2021.

Youth – Youth Group Game Night will be July 19 at 8:30 p.m. at the Borland residence. ALC youth will be sponsoring “lunch in the park” on August 12 as a fund raiser.

Pastor’s Report –

In the last month--

Funeral for Loretta Schumacher 6/18/2021 (Member of Immanuel Lutheran, Independence, pastor is on sabbatical)

Funeral for Michael Eder, 6/25/2021 (ALC)

Graveside committal service for Shirley Weltzin, 6/25/2021 (Jubilee)

Funeral for Finley Youngton, 7/2/2021

Baptism for Finley Youngton, 6/28/2021

Otherwise, my time has been spent largely working on coordinating VBS, coordinating the Food Bank orders for the Ministerial Summer Food Program. I also attended a meeting of the Independence Food Pantry Board.

New Business

Kristi Clayton is retiring as Custodian. Sue Hoey made a motion to hire applicant Linda Kehoe for the Custodian position at wages of \$14.50/hour. Second by Christa Leach. Motion carried.

Worship services updates: We will return to regular communion services on Sunday July 18 with the pre-packaged cups also available. There was some discussion of discontinuing the Psalm songs of Richard Bruxvoort Colligan. Worship service at ALC will be at 10:00 a.m. starting Sunday September 5. Sunday School rally day will be September 12. Sunday School will follow the worship service but is subject to change to pre-worship depending on special projects.

A council working group meeting for pastoral and congregational annual reviews will be 6:30 p.m. on July 25.

As long as our permanent records documents are kept on computer media the paper copy does not have to be kept in a safe.

Old Business – none.

Correspondence

A thank-you was received from LSI for our donation of \$1,102.50. We received suggestions for special offerings from ELCA.

Deacon Assignments for August

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15- Mike Waring

22-

29- Sue Hoey

Mike Waring made a motion to adjourn. Second by Maureen Even. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Collins, Secretary