

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING
May 18, 2008
12:00 PM**

Present: Rebecca Tinder, Charles Hurt, Sally Blessing, Fritz Christ, Pastor Ron, Judith Judy, George McKinney, Bill Kimberling, John Rawlins
Absent: Nick Foster, Emma Wilson, Vicky Grate, Pat Schillings
Guest: Mike Blessing and Marty Warwick

Lighting Christ's Candle

Opening: Rebecca opened with prayer

New Business

- **Marty Warwick gave a brief report on the Habitat for Humanity build that will start this September. He asked support for 1/12 of the labor which equals 30 volunteer days, 1/12 of the financial commitment which is \$4,200 and 1/12 of the hospitality support which equals 3 lunches during a 6 week period. Seven churches have made commitments so far. Sally moved we approve this support and Bill seconded. Motion was passed.**
- **A discussion took place about having only one service during the summer. Pastor said this needs to be put before the church well in advance, as much as a year in planning. This will be sent to the committees for discussion**
- **Bill moved the Prayer Garden Funds be moved to the Columbarium Account (\$1,730.00). Judith seconded. Motion passed.**
- **New Hymnals and production of bulletins – the church will publicize for families to collect donated green hymnals. Scott Moyer is ready to head the effort to get new hymnals. The Worship Committee will be asked to develop a permanent liturgy, in both regular and large print, that can be left in the pews for use from week to week. Fritz will make a recycle box for bulletins. Sally is to regroup the Multimedia task force to report on possible purchasing of multimedia screens.**
- **Role/Directive of Choir Director – George moved and Judy seconded, encouraging congregational singing by the use of simple songs, making the last song of the service an well known hymn. Motion passed. Judy moved and George seconded to make note in the council minutes that the organist had a lovely service today. Motion passed.**
- **Children's sermon – The consensus of the council was to keep the children's sermon. Subject was tabled for another month so ways of making the children's sermon more effective could be considered.**
- **A volunteer is needed for 1-2 hours a week to help file and catalogue music. Judith is going to ask Josh if he will do this.**

- **Request of Mustard Seed (local AAA chapter) to use lounge on weekdays. It was decided to try this on a trial basis to be revised after a couple of months.**

Committee Reports

Columbarium: No Report

Stewardship & Finance: See Attachments – Judith moved to approve the budget report and George seconded. Motion passed.

Communications & Fellowship: No Report

Christian Education: See Attachments

Evangelism: No Report

Property: See Attachments – Bill added that he wants to get a concrete removal company in to remove some concrete so we can ascertain what the water problem is and get an opinion and estimate back to council this next month.

Social Ministry: See Attachments

Worship & Music: See Attachments

Reports

Pastor's Report: See Attachments; Pastor asked permission to bike ride the Snyod in September. Fritz made the motion to approve and George seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept April minutes made by Judith Judy, 2nd Bill Kimberling; motion carried. Sally is to post after council meetings, the minutes with attachment and post on the web.

Treasurer's Report: Approved

TYG: No Report

Retreat Goals:

- 1. Stewardship Program of time talents and treasures – John and Sally to set meeting date.**
- 2. Expand Adult Education – Jim Mitchell and Vicky Grate - No Report – Sally to remind Vicky and George is to remind Jim.**

3. To establish capital improvements and funding – No report – John's family did approve his family's fund to go toward capital needs.
4. To investigate the acquisition of a seminary intern – No report
5. Planning committee for TELC's 85th anniversary – No report – Sally to check with Carol

Old Business:

- Giving Tree – the tree is up and items have not been removed yet.
- Trinity Youth Group Account – Rebecca asked council to approve closing the account and move any remaining funds into the general fund. Judith made the motion and George seconded. The motion passed.
- Reporting of Committees and/or Church Council to congregation – it was suggested that the church showcase one committee a month to report to the congregation a brief 2 minute introduction as to what they do.

Meetings:

- Committee meeting: June 1, 2008
- Council: June 8, 2008

Council closed with the Lord's Prayer