

Church council Meeting
Immanuel Lutheran Church
June 11, 2019

Those present: Pat Hammer, Pastor Paul Nelson, Tammy Vergeront, Jody Ebert, Anne Walbrun, Pastor Angela Jacobson, Cari Larsen, Bill Greep, Dana Connett, Jeannie DeRemer, Beth Hansen, Paul Savereide

Cari Larsen gave devotions.

Pastor Paul related his faith story.

Secretary's report: Jody moved to approve the minutes with one small change, Cari seconded the motion, which passed.

Financial Secretary's report: in Twylla's absence, Beth presented her report. Attendance is fairly even with last year's.

Treasurer's report: in Tami's absence, Beth presented the report. Giving for May was under budget by \$11,000 for the month, but year-to-date giving remains ahead of budget by \$29,000. Total expenses are under budget for the month of May and year-to-date. Opening Doors is now closed, and tracking shows 94% of the pledged amount has come in (\$676,498 out of \$718,552). Building Up campaign pledges total \$619,000. We have gotten approximately 135 pledges.

Staff reports:

Tammy Vergeront –five Sunday school rooms have already been painted, much of the rest will happen after Vacation Bible School.

Angela: we will preach on the Psalms this Sunday, then move on to Hebrews and then to the Sabbath, Life Now is the overarching theme. Fall's theme will be Everyday Worship.

Paul: two funerals, a wedding and five baptisms since last council meeting.

Building Up capital improvement general plans were distributed. Some highlights include replacement of broken windows and skylight in Luther Hall, refurbishing of Sunday school rooms, a shower in the back bathroom, a rooftop HVAC unit and partial replacement of the roof, to total \$202,960. We will also gift \$40,000 to Amextra and \$10,000 to the Shakopee Hispanic mission church, spaced out over the next three years.

Council reviewed budgeted revenue and expenditures for the Building Up Campaign and discussed various ways to track budgeted expenses and revenue. The following summarizes amounts reviewed as of June 1st. These estimates do not contemplate pledges not received or anticipated project cost variations, but are intended to provide a high-level estimate of campaign balances at the end of the three-year period:

<i>Income (Est. June 2019)</i>	
Cash on Hand 6/2019 Opening Doors	\$ 215,832.00
Build Up Pledges	\$ 619,000.00
Total Available Funds	\$ 834,832.00
<i>Less</i>	
Mortgage Payments for 3 years(\$7,100 x 36)	\$ 255,600.00
Build Up Project Costs and Donations	\$ 252,960.00
Total Expenses	\$ 508,560.00
Projected cash on Hand 5/2022	\$ 326,272.00
Mortgage Balance 5/2022	\$ 333,154.00

At this point we welcomed Kari Totall, our parish nurse, to the meeting. She talked about her background in Hospice and her interest in being a parish nurse. She took a course in parish nursing at Luther Seminary, and functioned as a volunteer parish nurse for several years until coming on as a paid parish nurse last year. Her main emphasis is working with people in health crisis. She distributes prayer shawls (crocheted by members) and oversees the card ministry. She's also working on revamping the meal ministry. There are also one-time yard cleanouts or household repairs that she oversees. Transportation ministry is an ongoing need for people who are ambulatory but cannot drive. She also does adult education, mostly short one-time classes on health topics. Homebound visits during Lent and Advent are organized. A goal is to grow the education portion of her job. As our congregation ages, this job will change also.

President's report: Beth talked about feedback received about both pastors being gone for two Sundays during the Tanzania trip and other Sundays last summer. They have committed to keep this from happening again. Our next meeting is in August, the fall kickoff comes very quickly after that plus the Bingo event. Beth encouraged us to wear nametags on Sundays.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Pat Hammer, council secretary