

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MINUTES

April 9, 2018

Members Present: Karen Broadwater, Fred Drotleff, Max Lebold, Susan Lux, Marilyn Mason, Chris Pontones, Terri Wanner, Jeff Ward, Michelle Ward, Ken Reinoehl. Absent: Bill Bowman (excused).

Meeting opened with prayer. Kathy Smith, representative, from Thrivant, presented information on the Thrivant investment program. She explained the process of the investments and the fluctuations that have taken place since December 2017. Questions were addressed. Need addressed of having council member's name on account Jeff Ward motioned to add Max Lebold's name to the account. Chris Pontones seconded. Motion carried.

March Minutes reviewed. Correction noted of NEOSW meetings should read as two separate meetings. Fred Drotleff motioned to accept minutes with correction. Jeff Ward seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report. Members reviewed report. It was noted that there was a correction payment to the Synod. Max Lebold motioned to accept treasurer's report. Jeff Ward seconded. Motion carried.

Ken Reinoehl Pastoral report. Report reviewed by members. Ken is currently visiting and contacting members on the roster; working on updates to the church membership. Jeff Ward motioned to accept the report Marilyn Mason seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Supply Pastor. Members discussed the current compensation/payment for Ken Reinoehl as he is visiting and tending to pastoral needs of congregation. Jeff Ward motioned that beginning April 2018, that Ken would be paid \$400 per week which would cover his time in doing outreach. Mileage to be at rate of 54.5 cents a mile. The compensation package would be reviewed every three months. Max Lebold seconded. Motion carried. At this time, Ken Reinoehl is leading worship with an ordained supply pastor once a month to lead communion.

Pastoral update. It was noted that while giving was increasing since January, it is starting to level off. Jeff Ward reminded members that we as a congregation need to make a decision based on our needs. There is a possibility that another congregational update meeting to be held as more information is obtained. The next step is to work on forming a call committee

Grief Support. There is a group from Aultman who have expressed an interest in holding an informative meeting for those who might benefit from this support. Terri Wanner and Marilyn Mason expressed interest in contacting group to plan a session.

Copier. Contract is approaching its expiration. It was noted that there is some confusion as to the specific date that contract expires. One source at the company thought that contract was good through March 2019, but further clarification needs to take place. Members were reminded that before we consider another contract, we must determine the congregation's copy needs.

Synod meeting. Meeting scheduled to take place in June. The cost is \$150. Looking for four volunteers, will put in bulletin.

Memorial Funds IT system has been purchased. Question was brought up that what happens to the memorial funds that are not specified for a particular area.

REPORTS

Outreach. Easter candy collected; working on more Barney bears, and at this time collecting for Aultman children. Catechism instruction candidates of Matthew and Andrew Neary, J. Bowman, Jenson Garber, and Zoe Ward.

Financial Stewardship. No report

Fellowship and Family. Funeral dinner Helen Haney

Property. There is no doorbell. Suggestion made of installing wireless doorbell. As a follow up from last council meeting, the solid gray mats are no longer available. The current black mats are thinner which causes moving and rolling with walkers, carts, or wheelchairs. Fred to do follow up with company to pursue a better mat that will not slide causing a fall hazard. Renny Patterson to check on mulch.

Worship and Music. Bonnie Comb to fill in for Susan's absence. Ken Reinoehl to try something new on communion Sunday of holding the tray with the glasses of grape juice and wine. Some people have been having awkwardness in remembering to pick up a communion glass.

Youth. No report

Tech. Report reviewed. Fred Drotleff motion to accept report. Jeff Ward seconded. Motion carried.

Calendar

May 12. Mother/daughter/sister/friend luncheon 11-1

May 14. Council Meeting 6:30

May 19. Rummage Sale

Meeting adjourned; closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Broadwater