

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MINUTES

May 14, 2018

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

Meeting opened with prayer. *April Minutes reviewed.* It was noted of changes that needed to be made Max Lebold motioned to accept the minutes with the correction. Fred Drotleff seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report. Members reviewed report. Chris Pontones motioned to accept report. Marilyn Mason seconded. Motion carried.

Thrivent Update. Susan Lux reviewed the list of those who are potentially eligible to serve as congregational advocates. If someone wishes to be a congregational advocate, they should tell their Thrivent representative. Currently, Thrivent will give \$50 per year to the church for each congregational advocate up to \$400 per year. This program is currently under review and may be changed. Those who are Thrivent policyholders can request an Action Grant and can direct Choice Dollars to Shepherd of the Valley or to their favorite charity.

Bills. None

OLD BUSINESS

Mulch. Still waiting to hear about the delivery date. No other details available.

ELCA Meeting in June At this time no one has mentioned that they wanted to go. We are still awaiting responses of possible volunteers.

NEW BUSINESS

Congregational meeting. Meeting to be held June 10, 2018 to update congregation on Synod information re: pastoral candidate. There will be no voting.

Natural Gas. Columbia Gas has sent information to the congregation to consider locking in at a fixed rate.

Workers compensation. At this time SOV is using AultComp. Member felt that current plan should continue. Terri Wanner motioned to continue to use the AultComp plan. Marilyn Mason seconded. Motion carried.

Property insurance. At this time, SOV has a policy with State Farm. It was noted that there has not been an increase in rates. Members felt that we should continue with the current insurance. Discussed the need of a current(updated) inventory of the church items needs to be done.

Golf Outing. On July 11, 2018 the NE Ohio Synod Lutheran Men's mission is sponsoring a golf outing at Arrowhead Country Club with proceeds going for seminary students. We as a church can sponsor a golf hole at \$150.00. Bill Bowman motioned to sponsor a golf hole; Chris Pontones seconded. Motion carried.

Father's Day event. Fellowship and family to follow up with something possibly after church.

REPORTS

Evangelism and Outreach. Backpacks with supplies drive to be done again this year. Youth are working on stuffing bears and are considering starting on blankets.

Financial and Stewardship. No report

Fellowship and family. Mother's Day banquet held and Louise Baum funeral dinner

Property. Doorbell installed, air conditioning checked and it is OK

Worship and Music. The choir is going to take the summer off after May.

Youth. No report

Technology. Report reviewed by members

Pastor's report. Report reviewed by members. Ken is still working on contacting persons on the membership list. It was noted that there is a need to update the list. Pastor Anderson will return in June on communion Sunday. Catechism meeting held with 4 out of 5 students and parent(s) attending. Students were given an introduction to the program with homework to be completed during the summer. The program will begin sometime in the Fall. Chris Pontones motioned to accept Ken's report; Bill Bowman seconded. Motion carried.

Hall rental. There is a need to review the policy re: the hall rental. Some have expressed interest in using it but there needs to be a more specific policy with details.

Rummage sale. Sale scheduled for May 19, 2018 8-3.

Council Meeting. Next meeting June 11, 2018. No scheduled council meeting for July but will resume on August 13.

Max Lebold motioned to adjourn; Bill Bowman seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted. Karen Broadwater