

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MINUTES

October 8, 2018

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

Meeting opened with prayer and devotion Ephesians 4:1-77, 11-13. Minutes from September meeting reviewed. Jeff Ward motioned to accept minutes with corrections, Terri Wanner seconded; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report. It was noted that the report reflected amount given to Pastor for moving expenses. PORTCO was higher than was budgeted for. The current increase will be effective until June 2019. Max Lebold motioned to pay additional cost of PORTCO and if or when there is an increase, it will be open for discussion at that time. Marilyn Mason seconded, Motion carried. Jeff Ward motioned to accept the treasurers report, Fred Drotleff seconded. Motion carried. Thrivent account balance as follows:

35-0990055846	(8/31/18)\$73,632.78	(09/30/18)\$74,198.56
36-0990055846	(8/31/18)\$60,804.25	(09/30/18)\$61,557.80

Bills: no request

OLD BUSINESS

Memorial Fund. Review has been completed and has been determined that while four of the memorials reflect specific designation, there were some that didn't have that indication. At this time there is \$4,200 total(part of which \$1800 is non specific allocations) in the memorial funds. There is a need to establish a system for allocating memorial funds avoiding confusion on this matter. Jeff Ward motioned that when a dollar amount is requested for Memorial funds, that it be given to the Memorial Committee to insure that proper disbursement of funds comprised in part of past memorial donations. Max Lebold seconded motion, motion carried. Jeff Ward motioned to create a Memorial Fund Committee comprised of Linda Neary, Dan Wanner and Cindy Schandel. Marilyn Mason seconded; motion carried.

Communion Frequency. Awaiting to hear from Altar Care to see if two Sundays a month along with special Sundays are ok. At this time communion will be once a month for the remainder of 2018. Matter tabled until 2019.

Reformation Sunday Celebration October 28. Pot Luck of German themed food to help celebrate the event. Terri Wanner motioned that any food left over should be sold, Jeff Ward seconded; motion carried.

Constitution Update. The current church constitution has not been updated since 2005. Once this is completed, every member will receive a copy of the constitution at the November meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Council 2019. There are two anticipated vacancies. Karen Broadwater and Max Lebold have declined to run for another term. Fred Drotleff, Susan Lux, and Jeff Ward will run for another term. Members discussed some possible persons that might be interested. Once names are obtained, then a congregational meeting will be held so voting can take place.

Budget 2019. This task is a important but time consuming that needs to be accurate as we proceed in another year. At this time, we are looking at income decrease compared to last year.

Bishop's Gathering. Pastor Scott and Susan Lux attended. The devotional that was shared was one obtained at the conference.

Service on November 11. This date marks 100 years ending WWI. Honor should be made for all veterans on that Sunday.

REPORTS

Membership report changes. There have been some new persons attending, Pastor Scott to follow up.

Evangelism and Outreach. No report. Committee is working on several things at this time.

Financial Stewardship. No report

Fellowship and Family Life. Working on service for Pastor Scott and dinner following.

Property. Report reviewed. It was noted that the light in the utility room was not working properly and needs replaced. Marilyn Mason motioned to replace light, Terri Wanner seconded; motion carried. Fred Drotleff and Max Lebold to complete replacement.

Worship and Music. Report reviewed. Pastor and Susan Kaschak discussing November 18, as Thanksgiving themed "Thanks to God and one another".

Youth. No report

Technology. Report reviewed. Information about internet and the necessary repairs were noted with proposed solution. It was noted that with the upgrades that the worship service could be recorded for shut ins. Max Lebold motioned for Jacob to fix the internet per his recommendations. Jeff Ward seconded; motion carried.

Pastor's Report. Report reviewed. There is a two day seminar/retreat for clergy with focus on helping a congregational become more spiritual. The registration needs to be made by November even though the retreat is not until 2019. Terri Wanner motioned to add \$400 to budget for continuing education and approve request for Pastor Scott to attend the retreat. Max Lebold seconded; motion carried.

Calendar dates:

October 14	Worship Leader Jacob Schandel; Sermon by Dottie Scott
October 16	Tentative date for parking lot sealing
October 28	Reformation Sunday
November 12	Council meeting at 6:30pm
November 25	Decorating week
December 2	First Sunday in Advent
December 16	Choir cantata
December 30	Worship leader to be determined

Terri Wanner motioned to adjourn Council members seconded.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Broadwater, Secretary.