

Council Meeting Minutes: 5/12/14

Curt Saalsaa had an excused absence.

Doral Olsen was absent.

Jill called meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Two new items were added to the agenda: Theology on Tap (ToT) and the audio/visual project.

Connie moved, Carmen seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Sandy moved, Mark seconded to approve Secretary's minutes from April. Motion passed.

Connie gave the Treasurer's Report:

We were able to pay some money to ELCA benevolence.

We received 2 large donations (\$30,000 and \$1,000) to go toward the audio/visual project.

We currently have \$320/month coming in from Simply Giving (automatic offering withdrawal).

Courtney moved, Jalaine seconded to approve Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Luke gave the Pastor's report:

Council reflected on Holy Week/Easter: Easter vigil service is starting to run a little long. Some discussion ideas came up including shortening/condensing the service or beginning the service a little sooner.

Luke attended the Institute of Liturgical Services conference. The theme this year was about keeping time and centering life around prayer.

Courtney, Sandy and Luke attended Synod Assembly; a lot of ideas have been generated from the experience.

Pastoral Acts: There was 1 baptism (McKayla Ruegsegger, April 19, 2014), there has been 1 funeral (Marie Mason, May 4, 2014) and 3 confirmations (Kurtis Paulson, Seth Paulson and Dorissa DeNure, May 11, 2014) since the last meeting.

Committee Reports:

Education: Hike for Habitat will be at Cadiz Springs Park in Browntown this year. The hike will be on Sunday, June 8. Check-in begins at 10:30.

Evangelism/Stewardship: Sandy moved, Carmen seconded to have a church community garden on the property. Vegetables will be part of a larger outreach program to homebound church and community members. Motion passed.

The committee is still working on finding the best possible church directory program to fit our needs.

Worship: Syttende Mai service is this coming Sunday, May 18 at the East Church.

Property: We will be getting a bid from Dennis Johnsen on projected roofing costs for the parsonage.

Connie moved, Craig seconded to approve committee reports. Motion passed.

New Business:

Audio/Video System: Harold Seffrood donated \$30,000 to the AV project. The \$1,000 donation was anonymous. Per conditions of the donations, Connie moved, Carmen seconded to use Fuzzy's Audio/Visual to install the new AV system in the church. Motion passed.

The AV project will include: 2 projectors and screens in the front of the sanctuary; 2 TVs in the Narthex for announcements, picture slideshows during funerals, etc.; a wireless microphone that can be used during weddings so everyone can hear the bride and groom's vows and a camera that could be fed into the TVs (both in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall) for overflow.

Pastor will contact Fuzzy Audio for available dates for installation.

Theology on Tap (ToT):The first ToT will be held on June 6 at 7pm at Jill and Jason Thomas' home. All are welcome. Bring a chair and your favorite beverage!

Courtney moved, Mark seconded to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.