

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH
Council Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2018

Membership Roll:

Present: Pastor Jordan, Carol White, Jon Kilmer, Barb Hamann, Sue Ettmayer, LeeAnn Quinlan, Amy Bonesho, Mike Hase, Shari Showers, and Kirk Carlson

Guests: Char Hall, Walt Edinger, Bob Rooney, and Bob Wierichs

Carol called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

Opening Prayer/Refreshments: Kirk Carlson

Motion to accept meeting agenda (with changed order). Motion by Carol and seconded by Shari. Motion carried.

New Business:

Brainstorm ideas for Stewardship: (spent about 20 minutes brainstorming)

Jon K. handed out a report on Stewardship. Jon mentioned that some churches do not promote pledging. Is pledging good or bad? Bob R. believes those that pledged usually gave the pledged amount or more. Simply Giving is a great program because people will give that amount. Also, pledges help to give us more information. Some that use Simply Giving believe that that is their pledge. Pastor mentioned that if we tell our stories of missions, it will generate giving. Char mentioned that people plan their life. Bob asked the question of how to motivate people to give. A comment was made to ask people to give for specific items. We are a 501(c)3 business. Walt asked how do we reach those who may come for a baptism only? Kirk stated that the Membership committee is working on a map of members to help promote more social groups. Barb mentioned the Pony Express for more personal fundraising. P.J. suggested that we all tell others our church stories. The Eli program and the cradle roll were also mentioned.

Sue summed up that Simply Giving and/or electronic giving should be encouraged. Jon K. is to talk in May, and statements can be sent out by email too. (There are some technical issues right now.) Hopefully, these could be sent out before summer. Barb suggested using a different font and asking for a pledge, if they have not already done so. Sue also stated that we should focus on missions for giving, and that we need ongoing support.

Jon K. suggested that the leaders in church should talk about their own stories before the congregation. (Pastor said he has a framework to use.) Barb also asked that we ask members to get involved in the church.

Motion to approve the March, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes moved by Barb and seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

Monthly Reports:

President	Sue Ettmayer
Vice President	Carol White
Pastor	Pastor Jordan

Motion to accept the reports and approve the actions of the Executive Committee moved by Kirk and seconded by Amy. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Mike Hase

A very strong Easter Sunday for giving. Sue said that there was a 10% drop in attendance, however. We are currently down \$20,000 for the year to date. A question was raised as to what are the 28% of growing churches doing right? P.J. suggested we focus on both administration AND spirituality.

Mike mentioned that the sold Comcast stock is in a segregated account. And that we are using Waukesha State Bank instead of Chase.

(Shari asked that there be a running total under Simply Giving for 2018.)

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and approve the actions of the treasurer by Shari and seconded by Kirk.

Council Committee Reports:

Property & Grounds - Kirk said there are new LED lights in the church office now. As existing bulbs fail, they will be replaced by LEDs. They are adding a lock to the entrance door to AGC downstairs.

Youth – Shari received an email from Vicky Yaeger and have ideas for Reformation and youth making a dinner. They will be actively recruiting volunteers on the committee and will announce during church service.

Education – Amy had a problem with needing more Sunday School teachers and it is now filled! She is plugging along with planning for VBS on June 11th. VBS registration is now on-line with payments being allowed on-line as well! (There was a mention of a fee for allowing on-line payments, but it is usually small.)

Outreach – Barb said the plant sale is going on now. For Reformation – helping out with Sonshine meal and items for bags. The human-trafficking volunteers have been very busy with activities lately.

Worship – Carol said that there is a plan to have a summer evening worship service event on June 2nd with a band at the Skoriks. The vestry has been cleaned out. Check it out! We now have gluten intolerant wine as well. The "Why We Give?" presentation is moved to June 3rd.

Pastor asked about perhaps doing a "Pastor swipe" with Kim's church. June 3rd is senior recognition Sunday and Juanita's scholarships presentation.

Sue stated that now that Bob W. has stepped up as Audit & Budget, the Gift Acceptance Committee may resume with the Chairperson being the Vice President. And members of the committee are: Treasurer, Audit & Budget person, Pastor, and with a lay person as well. Will continue with committee for future gifts and update the wish list.

Motion to accept the reports and approve the actions of the Committees moved by Shari and seconded by Amy. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Parking Lot Update – Sue
Contract should be finalized this week.

Forum on June 6 (change of date)

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointment of Bob Wierichs to Audit and Budget Sue Ettmayer
-Motion to approve by Carol and seconded by Kirk. Motion carried.

Motion for Adjournment – seconded by Carol Council

Closing Prayer – Lord’s prayer

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

LeeAnn Quinlan
Council Secretary

May meeting devotion and refreshments: Mike Hase

REPORTS TO FOLLOW

President’s Report
April 2018

We are making progress on our financial reporting and hope to see continued stewardship push. The officers have signed off on the Comcast sale and have the paperwork in place for transfer of Vanguard funds when needed.

Bob Wierichs will be appointed to Audit and Budget this month and after Bob’s appointment we will recommence the Gift Acceptance committee to review our policy and make appropriate

recommendations for needed changes. Please note this committee has not met for one year and a review is needed along with putting procedures in place for future acceptance and disbursement of gifts.

As our attendance has been down in 2018, I have approached the synod for reports and received synod reports (last one is 2016) regarding trends in attendance and financial giving. In reviewing the reports, we are in alignment with the average of churches in terms of members, attendance and percent of those members attending on an average. We are also in alignment with trends in giving, however where a lot of churches are seeing a big impact is in large gift giving. We need to be looking at this in our stewardship approach as well.

Exec team will be working with the office in terms of a template for announcements for the bulletin and AV slides. We have a lot of communication that needs to be delivered and we could be much more efficient in the process and save the staff some time and trouble if we could streamline the process.

Thank you to Fellowship for a great Easter Breakfast and Donna Finch and Barb Hamann and the outreach committee for the presentation on OASIS.

CTK Vice President Report April 2018

I attended the April Worship & Music committee meeting. Minutes from that meeting will be available for the May council meeting as the meeting was Monday, April 9. committee responsibilities document has been completed and approved and is now in drop box.

I attended the April Exec meeting where we continue to focus on church finances and stewardship.

Submitted by: Carol White

Pastor's Report

April 2018

We are Followers of Jesus gathered at the table, to worship, grow and serve.

Worship

Easter Worship – Incredible!

Worship on Easter was a beautiful celebration of the resurrection. The music was moving and very well done. The children were full of excitement. People sang with gusto. The flowers were incredible. I am

thankful for all the dedication of all involved: Musicians, office staff, Communion Assistants, Assisting Ministers, Acolytes, Ushers, lectors, greeters, AV Team members, Altar Guild. When we work together we are best positioned to do God's work in meaningful ways.

Worship Leader Seminars

The next worship leadership seminar will be May 6. Worship leadership seminars are times designated to help leaders step more fully into their roles – by training them to serve the community in ways that are consistent, honoring of God, and adapted to change. The seminar begins at 10:30 and will end at about noon. There won't be a meal served at it. We are asking everybody serving as lectors, assisting ministers, ushers and communion assistants to attend. The goal is to make sure that our primary worship leaders all know what's happening. So, we're having this important time with Ushers, Assisting Ministers, Communion Assistants, and lectors.

Grow

DT Youth to Present Faith Statements

Sunday, April 29, Discipleship Training Youth will present faith statements in Adult Forum. This is a culminating Project for them. Please support them with your presence.

DT Youth Leading Worship Sunday, April 22

Council: Feed DT students for their banquet?

May 2: 6:30 p.m.? Update anyone?

Notice About This Section

You'll notice that the section about growth in worship attendance is not included under the topic "Grow." When we speak of growth, the first and foremost question in our minds is whether or not our ministry is helping to cultivate Faith Formation and Christian Growth. It is concerned with practices of forming disciples who follow Jesus. That is because this section is about growing in faith. Worship attendance is an administrative function of our worship ministry. It does not necessarily correlate to faith formation.

Serve

Adult Trip to Houston

This Saturday morning, 14 adults from CTK will join 35 others on a mission trip to Houston. I am one of the primary leaders of the event and CTK is the treasurer for the trip. I have been working with Treasurer Mike Hase to make proper arrangements for this ministry. We have taken in 18,900 in registration and gifts. Our barebones budget for the trip is estimated to be \$16,560. We expect additional gifts/donations this week and will be using surpluses and gifts to do significant ministry among those who are still reeling from Hurricane Harvey. As of today, our congregation has given about \$500 in mucking bucks and three gift cards totaling around \$200. (One of the gift cards doesn't indicate how much it contains.) I'm proud to be part of such a meaningful event in our congregation. Feel free to stop by the church Saturday morning and wish us well as we pull out of the parking lot at 5:00 a.m.

Human Trafficking Event

Sunday, April 22, CTK is hosting a Digital safety event to help us learn how to protect our children from sexual predators and human traffickers. Wendy Smith from Washington County Anti-Trafficking Advocates and Jodi Emerson from Fierce freedom will speak. Please lift this up and encourage people of all ages to attend – including families!

Family Promise Golf Outing

Each year, Family Promise benefits from a golf outing held at Paganica Golf Range. This year's will be held July 14. CTK should have at least one group of golfers... Could we do more? It is a fundraiser that benefits work with homeless folks. Different gifts will be raffled off, golfing holes will have interesting and fun activities at them. There will be liquid refreshments available. We need somebody who can organize a couple teams of four. Who can take on the task of find a golfer to do that?

Coming Up

April

1 Easter Sunday

14-21 Adult Service Trip to Houston – Saturday to Saturday – I will be gone 1 Sunday

April 15: Pastor Steve Wohlfeil, pulpit supply at CTK

22 Youth-led worship service

29 DT Youth Present Faith Statements in Adult Forum

May

2 DT Banquet: 6:00 Affirmation of Baptism Practice; 6:30 Banquet

6 Affirmation Sunday – DT Youth Affirm God's Work for them in Holy Baptism

20 Pentecost Sunday

21-27 PJ doing Continuing Education: Festival of Homiletics – Gone one Sunday

May 27: Pastor John W. Eyster, pulpit Supply at CTK

June

3 Blessing of Graduates

3-10 Family Promise Week

11-14 VBS at CTK

25-July 2 Youth Gathering

July

16-20 Nash. Hse, Church Musicians Workshop at CTK; concert, Friday, 7/20, 7:00 p.m. at CTK

August

12-23 PJ on two weeks vacation, gone two Sundays

August 12: Pastor Karl Otto, Pulpit Supply

August 19: Pastor Karl Otto, Pulpit Supply

September**October**

1-7 PJ on Continuing Education – Missing one Sunday, October 7

November

26-Dec. 2 PJ on Vacation one week, includes one Sunday, December 2

Treasurer’s Summary of Financial Activity, March 2018

April 5, 2018

After completing the third month with the new accounting system things are starting to settle in and we are adding some security measures. Barb Hamann has agreed to reconcile the checking account each month. This is in addition to Teri Borgwardt who reviews and initials all invoices prior to them being paid. These measures “break” the chain of responsibility so that no single person has the authority to order, approve and pay an invoice. Finally, Bob Wierichs has agreed to lead the Audit and Budget Committee. He is Pharmacist and brings a strong process background to the position.

In March we received the final portion of the Hoffmann estate settlement. The value was \$89,000. In addition, the sale of ComCast stock was completed for \$10,600. The Church had owned this stock for more than ten years. This money will be added to our cash reserves to offset a portion of the deficit we have been running for the past several years.

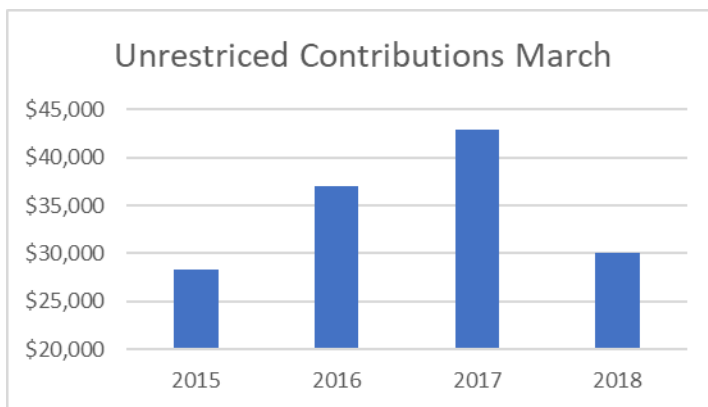
Finally, we changed credit card companies and are now using an Elan card from Waukesha State Bank. There is no annual fee for the card and there are no rewards points available. The cards are used by staff to pay for incidental charges where the Church does not have an account with a vendor. All other incidental expenses by the congregation are documented with a receipt and are reimbursed by check.

Giving

Unrestricted giving recovered from February and was up in March. Palm Sunday contributed significantly to the increase.

Month	Year				% OF ANNUAL TOTAL
	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Jan	\$30,821	\$32,123	\$32,424	\$31,169	7.9%
Feb	\$25,616	\$26,564	\$21,298	\$25,537	6.1%
Mar	\$28,287	\$37,055	\$42,849	\$30,109	9.0%
Apr	\$33,002	\$31,188	\$31,908		8.0%
May	\$28,637	\$45,583	\$27,402		8.5%
Jun	\$26,249	\$22,477	\$21,496		5.9%

Jul	\$27,956	\$30,091	\$26,426		7.0%
Aug	\$28,385	\$25,859	\$32,794		7.3%
Sep	\$30,103	\$31,707	\$22,799		7.0%
Oct	\$40,442	\$35,500	\$30,324		8.9%
Nov	\$44,168	\$27,269	\$36,321		9.0%
Dec	\$57,325	\$61,590	\$66,106		15.4%
Total	\$400,990	\$407,006	\$392,146		



The deficit widened March from -\$13,000 at the end of February. This year Easter fell on April 1st and is a significant driver of contributions. April will “soften the deficit but not eliminate it.

Year to Date Unrestricted Income and G&A Expenses	
Unrestricted Contributions	\$88,196
General and Administrative Expense	\$108,075
GAIN (LOSS)	-\$19,879

Attendance

Sunday Worship Attendance			
Year	2016	2017	2018
Lent 1	135	133	128
Lent 2	143	151	128
Lent 3	140	135	124
Lent 4	177	146	117
Lent 5	135	143	145
Palm Sunday	162	135	200
Easter	349	409	348

Total	1241	1252	1190
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The data used above is Sunday attendance and is normalized with the Church calendar. The report last month was not normalized and showed a more significant drop in 2018. Attendance in 2018 for Lent through Easter is 5% behind 2017 and 4% less than 2016. The Council has begun to look at attendance research provided by the ELCA. It categorizes attendance change as follows using average attendance:

Decline: lost at least 3%,

Stable: -3/+3% change,

Growth: gained at least 3%

The most recent ELCA data is from 2016 and shows that 72% of congregations in our Synod are in decline. In the coming months we will explore what characteristics are driving the remaining 28%

Submitted by Mike Hase, Treasurer, April 7, 2018

Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes 3/7/18 at Pam & Bob Kroening's home

Opening Reflection- The Lord's Prayer

Blood Drive- Allie Rahn will now coordinate the blood drives at CTK.

Outreach storage solutions- We will put a pause on this until a later date.

Family Promise at CTK:

- 4/1/18-4/8/18
- 6/3/18-6/10/18
- 8/12/18-8/19/18
- 11/11/18-11/18/18

Jenni will send out another sign-up for our April dates. We still are in need of volunteers and food items.

4/8/18 Adult Forum- Oasis Project

- Speaker fees/contribution envelopes in pews. Team suggested that we pass the plate to increase likelihood of donations. Team agreed to act as ushers.
- Professional cinematographer filming it for future publicity-hope for high attendance
- Tom Pipines, retired Fox6 newscaster will be part of the presentation

Human Trafficking

- Candlelight service at Delafield Presbyterian on 3/11/18 at 5P.M. A service of scripture, song, reflection and prayer
- Next WCATA (Washington County) meeting is Monday 3/19/18 at 6:30 P.M. at Hartford. Speaker will be Heather Lawler-wrote the TraJaAct (SB350) Any car poolers should meet in the parking lot at CTK at 5:30 P.M.
- April 13th- High school film festival at Oconomowoc Art Center will feature some art work reflecting Human Trafficking.

- Digital safety on April 22nd at 2:00 P.M. at CTK. Wendy Smith from Washington County Anti-Trafficking Advocates and Jodi Emerson from Fierce, Freedom will speak. Families are invited.
- Fosta Bill just passed where it will be illegal to sell minors online.
- SAFE Harbor Bill- Minors caught up in human trafficking won't be prosecuted for prostitution.

Reformation

- Store collection- Toni and Vicky delivered the items collected at church. Pam will contact Marge about their spring wish list and put it in the bulletin
- Church service- Barb will contact Marge to see if Sunday, June 3rd will be a good day for CTK to come to their service and bring food.
- Good Friday Neighborhood Walk

Sophal Project- Shelly announced that their Spring Dinner Dance and fund raiser will be on April 21st in Dousman

Love Boxes-

- Vicky reported that a total of 31 boxes went out to college students, military and one incarcerated person. She received \$75.00 in cash from the congregation for postage. The boxes contained food items, school supplies, a prayer, and heart shaped cookies. Vicky put a check request for an additional \$97 for postage. Postage is running \$7/box.
- Next year, with Toni's help, we will look at putting the boxes out earlier with the recipient name on it for the congregation to personally help fill.

Serenity Inn-

- Graduation dinner will be on March 27th. They have asked for CTK to provide the meal
- 14th annual Serenity Inn fundraiser will take place at the Italian Community Center on April 19th They are looking for donations for the silent auction as well as people to sponsor a member for the dinner. Cost is \$75.00 per person.
- April 24th & April 30th, CTK will make and serve the meals.
- Alumni house is almost done.

Calendar review- Add June 3rd at Reformation once we get the OK from Marge

Plant sale-

- Jenni will take orders from March 25th-April 13
- Pick up will be May 12 at CTK from 11:00-2:00
- Jenni will need helpers that day starting at 8:00

Closing prayer- "Jesus Prayer"

Minutes prepared by Ellen Dowd

Respectfully submitted to Church Council, Barb Hamann, Team Leader of Community Outreach
3/29/18

April Youth Report 2018

I submitted our Sentry receipts and turned in \$204.23

No one signed up for donuts so we did not do in March, hopefully we will have some people sign up for April.

Vicky Jaeger sent an email for some ideas for the youth that we are in the works for this fall.

Sincerely
Shari Showers
Youth Committee Member

CTK Worship & Music Committee Meeting March 5, 2018 Minutes

Present: Vicky Jaeger chair, PJ, Paul Neumiller, Carol White, Roland & Elaine Broberg

The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm.

Opening Prayer by PJ

The minutes from the meetings held October 5, 2017; November 6, 2017 and Jan. 22, 2018 were unanimously approved with a motion from Roland that was seconded by Paul.

Old Business

The W&M Com. Responsibilities document was unanimously approved with a motion from Carol and a second from Paul.

Following a discussion the current arrangement for designation and furniture provided for Handicapped Seating in the upper sanctuary with remain as is.

The question was posed as to how the concert receptions were funded. We believe that the Gargoyle Concert reception cost of \$333.00 was covered by the free will offering; Christmas Concert Reception cost of \$159.83 (significantly lower cost due to volunteers bringing in desserts, fruit and veggies). We would have to ask Mike Hase where he found the funds to reimburse Vicky as there was not a free will offering.

Our task to create the format for a Listening Session to be led by Carol with the congregation regarding suggestions for a second service if our attendance is consistently at 200; Volunteers for this subcommittee include Conrad, Vicky, Carol, Carmen to create list of questions, how to record

responses was **TABLED**. It was mentioned that the previous survey of the congregation on this issue was 50-50.

The issue of Safety at CTK is being discussed by council. They did recommend and install three phones (in the choir loft, at the AV desk and in the hall entrance to the altar). Paul has provided information internet links for everyone to watch regarding additional measures of safety. That discussion was **TABLED**.

Lent & Easter Planning was reviewed. The Ash Wednesday servant went well. AM was used and attendance was: **FILL IN #**; Lenten Wed. Schedule with the Meal at 5:15pm, Bells 5:30, Choir 7:15; Discipleship 6-8, Small Group Bible Study at 7:15pm seems to be working well; Maundy Thursday Service 3.29.18 will be at 6:30pm NOT 7:00pm, the AM was to be Gerry but he will not be able so Bob Rooney offered to do this; the Good Friday Service 3.30.18 will be at 6:30 pm NOT 7:00pm, an AM will be used; The dedication of the cross will be organized by Paul and conducted during Passion Sunday service. Those involved will be thanked and a short video created by Bruce Bergandahl will be shown. Easter Sunday services will be at 8:15am & 10:45am with breakfast from 9:15-10:30; Bev organizing breakfast with a Sign Up Genius.

Holy Humor Sunday 4.8.18 will be during the service because there is a Forum about Oasis after service. PJ would also like to invite artists in the congregation to bring in samples of their creations for display in the great hall.

It was noted that the children did the first three commandments during the service on March 18th. They will do all Ten Commandments on June 13th. Further discussion regarding Family Involvement ideas for during Service was **TABLED**.

The Prayers of intercession were discussed due to parishioners requests concerning the order used. We decided to move the military forward in the order, add the Mt. Meru Coffee project and return to using the phrase asking members to name others aloud or silently in their hearts. We currently do not list other global partners.

New Business

The March 4th Leadership Training was reviewed. All went well but we have decided to start right after the service ends (there is no adult forum). In this way will not need a meal and can keep this training to about 2 hours.

One idea to be discussed in the future is whether to continue using the AM as the one responsible for coordinating things Sunday morning or to ask each member of W&M committee to take one Sunday (so rotate between 9 people) to oversee the volunteers for that Sunday service.

The need to change keep the wine gluten free for our members with allergies concluded with a decision to purchase two smaller chalice/patens for the gluten free stations. Carol made the motion, Roland made the second and all voted in favor. Elaine will order them.

The direction and flow for serving communion was discussed and drawn. The use of names during distribution was discussed with a final decision to have only Pastor to say names. Lay servers will be instructed to say only "The body/blood of Christ given/shed for you". Prayers of Intercession order regarding the military

The effectiveness of the verbal introduction to the prelude was reviewed. It has been done 5 minutes prior to the bells/start of church, which is before many people arrive so they miss it. People continue to talk and create general noise during the prelude performance. It was determined that the information Mark provides is useful and many parishioners like that so we will provide that information in the bulletin instead of making a verbal announcement. PJ will talk to Mark about the culture and physical construction of our church which seem to be working against the idea of quieting our congregation to attend to the music.

Everyone loved the March 4th Beer & Hymns worship event at Beer Snobs. We are planning a similar event at Skorik's barn that will include a 5pm worship, 6pm cook out and the same band at 7pm for June 2nd! Thank you to Michelle for doing a press release that resulted in a newspaper article featuring interviews with PJ and Sue Daniels from the Church of the Resurrection. The event was well attended by both congregations.

We were reminded that the week of July 16-20 the Nashotah House is hosting the Church Musicians Workshop here at CTK; there will be a Concert 7pm July 20th featuring the organ.

Mark's Music Camp planning was TABLED.

The sign-up sheet for the final planning for our W&M Lenten Dinner on March 21st with Tater Tot Casserole was passed around the table.

The discussion regarding additional mid-week summer services centered on the use of our resources. There will be no mid-week services.

The idea of using the organ lumber to create hooks for the candle lighters in the altar area and/or shelving for the "Donation Location" for outreach was TABLED.

Sub-committee reports:

Music Coordinator (Mark) Not present; at seminar

Organ (Roland) Zimbelstern stud has not yet been moved to tab.

Ushers (Conrad) – Not present

Altar Guild (Elaine)

Elaine suggested that Tom and Char be allowed to have input regarding the purchase of new robes that might be better fits; Vicky will send them both the website information and they can then contact Elaine about making the purchases.

Vestry (Carmen)

With Mark in the other room Vicky and PJ would like to have shelf and white board hung in the vestry. We will also ask Joel to move the rod that holds the albs. Additional items are needed but they can wait.

Assistant Minister (Vicky) The group decided that the acolytes should wear the cinctures that are we have for the different seasons of the church. There are two of each color. AMs wear white cinctures. Vicky and Elaine will launder the albs before Easter.

AV/Tech (Paul) No current concerns

Family/Children (?)

Communion Assistants (?)

Lectors (?)

We forgot to set the date for our next meeting.

The closing prayer was The Jesus Prayer said in unison by all.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm

Education Committee

March 28, 2018

In attendance: Pastor Jordan, Sherie Trafton, Amy Bonesho, Ruth Beiler

Sunday School:

We continue to struggle getting teachers to commit and sign up to teach each week. Although we had about 14 people volunteer to help with Sunday School, only a handful have been able to teach. Those that have been teaching are doing a really nice job and we are grateful for them. Thankfully, some others do come and offer to help on Sundays, but not signing in advance makes planning difficult. Amy will be contacting the teachers again. If teachers do not sign up for the remainder of the school year, we will need to cancel Sunday School classes. This is not something we take lightly and hopefully it won't come to that. (UPDATE: Teachers responded and it is looking like we will be covered!)

Vacation Bible School:

The online registration went live on April 8! Thanks to the hard work of Sherie, Meredy and Michele, we are now able to take registrations and payments online. This will make the entire registration process much smoother and allow for a less stressful opening day of VBS.

Pastor Jordan put together a very useful outline for VBS. It includes basic information as well as safety procedures. We all need to review the document as it is a work-in-progress.

We continue to recruit volunteers. This is an ongoing struggle. Many people say they will help if they aren't busy that week, but at this point can't commit.

Pastor Jordan will be ordering supplies. Ruth will be ordering the “take home” for this year – bucket hats.

Other:

The Sunday school supply room downstairs has become a catch-all for various items. We talked with Joel and he has offered to help us clear out the room.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Bonesho

Fellowship Report - January/February 2018

Meeting - Wednesday, April 3 at 4:00 PM

Attendees - Linda Hamilton, Sheryl Skorik, Cheryl Steinbach, Bev Waltz

Lenten Meals

Lenten meals were organized and served by the following committees/groups - Education, Men’s Bible Study, All God’s Children, Fellowship, Worship & Music. All delicious - many thanks for their service. About 45 people were served at each meal.

Easter Brunch

Below are the summary notes sent to the Fellowship Committee members.

Approx 95 people attended and ate. Majority came from first service but we did get some towards the end that attended 2nd service. \$289 donated in Free will offering

FOOD

- Egg/French Toast Casseroles - 14 donated and a portion of 1 remaining. Would request 14 for next year.
- Orange Juice - 10 donated - only 4 used. Request 5 containers next year
- Milk - 3 gallons donated - only 1 used. Request 1 gallon next year
- Large Vanilla Creamer - 3 donated, unsure of use. Can we just use the little creamers that church already has?
- Kringles - 8 donated - use same quantity next year or maybe fewer if new foods added
- 4 dozen donut holes - could use 2 dozen next year
- 4 dozen mini muffins - could use 3 dozen next year
- 2 packages of small boxes of cereal - could go with one or a box of Cheerios?
- Grapes (3 red, 3 green), Strawberries (3 containers), Pineapple (3), Blueberries (3 packs) - same quantities
- Candy - Just a bag or 2 of jelly beans and a bag or 2 of Hershey kisses to put at Welcome table. A lot of candy left on tables.
- Could use one or two more tables set up.
- ADD - croissants from Sam’s Club/Costco along with jellies
- Add - bagels and cream cheese
- Flowers were perfect and can be used again next year - in Juanita’s closet. We also saved all plastic table clothes - can be used next year if still there.

Monday Mavens

December Gathering meeting on Tuesday, April 24th

April 9th - Manicure & Pedicure organized by Linda Hamilton

May - Garden Clean-up sponsored by Monday Mavens - all invited - organized by Cheryl Steinbach

June 11th - Euchere Night - organized by Bev Waltz

July 9th - Barn Party at Sheryl Skorik's

August 13th - Nagawicka Boat Tour by Char Hall

Fireside Outing A Second Helping on June 6th - 30 people signed up thus far.

HIKING - Spring Hiking meeting soon will be planned.

Property and Grounds April 2018

Paul Neumiller worked with the phone company to drop extra phone lines that are no longer needed. He also set us up with a more economical internet service.

We are not replacing fluorescent lights. We are instead rolling in LED tubes. In this way we are spending about the same amount of money as normal maintenance while modernizing to the more efficient lights. The first room to be changed over is the office. We are saving the tubes and ballasts from the office to be used where ever lights need replacing in the rest of the building.

We repaired the front sign. One of the crosses that is on each side of the sign went out. As it did, it created a short that burned up a connection in the circuit. We are still having issues with programing the timer. Tom Kreklow is researching the possibility of getting a different timer.

We are working with All God's Children to put a new security lock on the entrance door at the bottom of their steps.

Respectfully,

Kirk Carlson Chair Property and Grounds

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

APRIL 10, 2018

☑ Committee members present: Char Hall, Robert Rooney & Jon Kilmer

○ It was noted that Mike Groh has dropped out of the Stewardship Committee. Mike has not been able to attend recently due to business conflicts.

☑ "STEWARDSHIP MINUTES"

○ On Sunday, April 22nd Bob Rooney will provide an update regarding extra funding needed for parking lot amenities: Plantings, sidewalk & dumpster enclosure. It was noted that a forum regarding the CTK Treasurer's reports will be conducted on April 22nd as well.

- On Sunday, May 20 Jon Kilmer will give a presentation on Electronic Giving that will include how to setup the process. Some statistics about CTK's giving using electronic tools will be given as well as a request for summer cash-flow giving.

📄 ADVOCATE ARTICLE – MAY, 2018

- An article from Stewardship will be inserted by Bob Rooney emphasizing parking lot amenities.

📄 QUARTERLY STATEMENTS

- Later this month we will email quarterly statements instead of mailing paper copies. Not all statement recipients have provided CTK with their emailing address, therefore some statements will need to be sent via regular mail.

- Besides a "thank you". E-mailed statements will include notes encouraging Parking Lot Express pledges to be turned in. directions for accessing CTK's website treasury reports and a request for electronic giving enrollment.

📄 UPDATED 2018 PLEDGE STATUS:

- CTK received an additional \$7,000 annual pledge last week resulting in a total pledge of \$314,502 from 127 pledges. There were an estimated 11 "Electronic Giving Units" that did not pledge for 2018, but have continued giving electronically. These non-pledged Electronic Giving Units gave \$45,000+ in 2017. The 2018 number pledging is approximately 59% of the total units receiving statements for gifts recorded in 2017. (Note" See Stewardship Report to Council for March, 2018 for more pledging details).

Jon Kilmer, Stewardship

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