EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 7, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Fairbank, Susan Krohn, Tom Rivers, Marlene Connell, Diane Fenendael;

CALL TO ORDER: 3:58 p.m. by Mary Fairbank

DEVOTIONS: Marlene Connell read from "Then Sings My Soul" by Robert Morgan

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Additions were made to the agenda. Motion to approve Agenda by Susie Krohn; Second, Marlene Connell; Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Motion to approve Council Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2024 by Susie Krohn; Second, Mary Fairbank; Motion approved.

PASTOR'S REPORT: No report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: We are all set for the chili festival. Will provide coffee, lemonade and water. Two mum plants and some pumpkins have been put outside in front of the church. Cleaning the kitchen and cabinets is pretty well done. Tom Rivers will take care of contacting Kaul Refrigeration in Beaver Dam to fix the refrigerator.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's Report for September was distributed. Susie Krohn said that Scrip is on the back page of the report. There is a little interest in Savings. Susie received a statement from Orkin. Mary had called to cancel but no word from the Manager who was to call her back. Mary will follow up.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Mary Fairbank; Second, Marlene Connell; Motion approved.

MEMORIAL: Memorial balance reported interest of 24 cents with balance of \$1,910.42. Susie Krohn will add the memorial balance to the end of the Treasurer's report when there is a change in the balance total.

PROPERTY: <u>Church</u>: Tom Rivers reported that the women's bathroom door needs to be planed down and he will take care of that. There is a light burned out over the pulpit. Tom Rivers will contact Ron Theyerl to help get this light changed. <u>Parsonage</u>: Lip between dining room and kitchen floor needs to be fixed.

STEWARDSHIP/WITNESS/WORSHIP: No report.

EVENTS/FUND RAISING: See President's Report

OLD BUSINESS: .

- Parsonage Discussions on rent, advertising, finish cleaning; make sure the garage is cleaned out prior to winter. Congregation members can be given a chance to take things from the garage they might want prior to donating usable things. Mary Fairbank will take care of advertising for rental when the time comes. Susie Krohn found a Move In and Move Out checklist form on line. Rent of \$1,400 to be charged. Lawn and snow removal will be included with the exception of the steps into the parsonage. Decision made to schedule cleaning of the parsonage and garage on Monday, October 21, at 9:00 a.m. Cleaning to be done so potential renters can be shown the parsonage.
- 2. Snow Removal: Mary Fairbank found out that Stuart's Landscaping and Modern Rentals do not come to Brandon. Susie Krohn suggested that we stay with Country Touch who we used last year. Council agreed to this.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Changing table missing. After discussion, it was determined that there is not really a need for a changing table.
- 2. Chili Festival donation of proceeds. There will be further discussion regarding where to donate.
- 3. Coffee hour money. It was determined after discussion by Council that \$25 be given to those who are in charge of coffee hour. There are also Visa cards available to be given.
- 4. Downspouts. Repair one on the south side and tip up for snow removal. Tom Rivers will take care of this.
- 5. Electrical List of Breakers. Tom Rivers will work with Ron Theyerl.
- 6. Sound System Estimates and Different Options. There will be further discussion.
- 7. Pastor Dara Clifford from the Synod will be coming to speak to the congregation after the service on November 17, 2024 regarding call process options.
- 8. Table in Office Remove round table and replace with a rectangle one.
- 9. Thanksgiving Service. Will check with Chaplain Peg to see if Pastor Clay is having Thanksgiving service at Grace Lutheran Church in Ripon to which our congregation could be invited.
- 10. Trunk or Treat. Emanuel will be participating in Trunk or Treat from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 31, 2024 in the church parking lot.
- 11. Committees. It was suggested that we appoint committees for various activities. After discussion, it was decided we would continue to utilize the sign-up sheets in the entryway for volunteers for various activities.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 5:44 p.m. by Mary Fairbank; Second, Tom Rivers; Motion approved.

NEXT COUNCIL & BUDGET MEETING: Monday, November 11, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Diane Fenendael, Secretary