

COUNCIL MEETING

September 10, 2019

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

6:07-Lynn called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Lynn, Jane, Frank, Dave, Deb, Stacy, Beth, Linda.

EXCUSED: Teresa , Jason

Vicar Luke and Pastor Jim were at an ordination.

NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made to approve the agenda as printed Frank/Jane MSC.

DEVOTION/TREATS: Beth

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PROPERTY- Dave stated that the heating vents are now done and wiring will be completed soon. The kitchen and storage areas now have separate controls. The LED lights are installed and wiring will be completed soon.

There is no electrical power in the Vicar's office and the library. These used to be one room and must be on a separate breaker from the office and the sacristy. The electrician will check this when here for wiring for the kitchen project.

Handicap parking on fifth Street will be increased from one space to three spaces. Lynn will order two signs online, probably from myparkingsign.com.

CYFED- Linda reported that the new faith formation pamphlets have been given out to students six through 10th grade. Students mentors and parents had orientation last Sunday and the first faith formation class will start Wednesday, September 11. Students will be encouraged to attend and participate in church service after class. Vicar Luke calls this format of service Worship Lab.

WORSHIP- Linda reported that it will be suggested to change the order of Sunday Worship so the children would be in the sanctuary at the beginning of service and then dismiss them to the fellowship hall for class. This worked quite well last Sunday when they were present for the baptisms. It encouraged more of the children that were present to go to the STORY TIME in the fellowship hall. They then returned to the sanctuary for communion.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Motion was made to accept the report as printed Deb/Stacy MSC.

Correspondence – none

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The miscellaneous items were for photos and AI-Anon.

Motion was made to accept the report as printed Frank/Jane MSC

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Lynn read the printed report. (see details on a copy of this report attached to the paper copy of the minutes).

There were two baptisms this past Sunday. Kettle River conference met today Tuesday, September 10. Luke offered to host on January 14 at Bethesda, assuming that he would be here at that time.

There is a concert in Hinckley on September 25. He will get details to CYFED.

There is a conference for lay leaders in Hinckley on October 22. The title is Care for Creation : What Could it Look Like in Your Congregation. Anyone interested should contact Luke.

September is Hunger Action Month. Luke has challenged the congregation to pack the pews and is now challenging the Council to set a good example.

Linda will decorate the pews in the narthex so members know where to deposit the non-perishable food items that they donate.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fall Theological Convention- Frank spoke with Memorial /Endowment and they will pay the registration fee. Vicar Luke will be going and possibly Colleen Bernu. None of the members of CYFED were able to attend.

Forms for new contact information- Linda stated that only one member has signed the form by the entrance to the sanctuary. Lynn stated that she has asked Bobbie to make some smaller forms that could be handed out to people.

Deb questioned whether or not we are going to do a new directory. Beth suggested that we allow people to take their own

pictures rather than having a professional photographer. Lynn stated that we would have to have someone in charge of that project. Stacy and Deb volunteered to be co-chairs. Frank stated that he has a quality digital camera that could be used. It was decided to offer to take pictures at church September 29 and October 6 after service. Members not able to be present at that time could submit their own pictures. This information will be put on Facebook and be put in the bulletin. New contact information will also be collected when pictures are taken or submitted.

Last survey which was done by Pastor Mary- Lynn reported that Vicar Luke was able to tabulate the information. Some of it is in picture form and there are 4 copies of that summation available at church for members to review.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pastor Jim's schedule- Lynn reported that Pastor Jim will be working 10 hours per week. If we have members in a Duluth hospital he will make those visitations because he lives in Duluth. He and Luke will work out how to divide the other activities and tasks between them. Pastor Jim will do one Sunday Service /month. The first one will be on September 29.

Automatic deposit- Frank was wondering what the process is to start and or increase an automatic deposit. Stacy will check with Nita and Bobbie and get that information to the congregation.

Scandinavian Supper- Deb was wondering if we are going to be able to have it this year and Lynn replied that it could possibly happen in November. Also discussed the possibility of using paper plates depending on the status of the dishwasher.

THANK YOU: none at this time.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, October 8, 6 o'clock. Frank stated he will not be able to be present.

EXECUTIVE MEETING:

By email Tuesday, October 1

DEVOTION/TREATS: Jane

ADJOURNMENT: 7:03 Motion to adjourn the meeting Dave/Jane MSC

The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Newlon, Secretary