

Hope Lutheran Church Council – June 13, 2022

“As God’s people, abounding in hope, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite all to share in the unfolding experience of Jesus Christ”

Call to Order @ 18:35

Roll Call: Bob Klimpke, Carol Mohr, Terrie Hanke, Allison Martinson, Leanne O’Brian, Sue Tietz, Mary Luhman-Turner, Lee McMullen, Mark Larson, Paster Mary Erickson

Glimpses of God: Triplet Fawns, SHP Bed Build and donations, Golfing at 92 years of age, ELCA booth at the Pride Fair

Devotion: The gospel can be summed up in two words, “Come” and “Go,” with both words being invitations. Jesus invited the first believers to “**come and follow**” him and he invited the first apostles to “**go and make**” disciples. From God Pause May 27, 2022 by Rodney Anderson.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes by Mark L, Carol M - Approved

Additions to the Agenda: None

Treasurer’s Report: Discussion on Insurance cost, Office Machines and Office Supplies, Line item of Rachel’s Place Payroll, Gas Increase, Worship and Music and AV & IT line items. Encouraged Quick Book training for Ann and Lee. The Treasurer’s report was reviewed. Motion to accept report by Mark L, Allison M - Passed

Old Business:

- Priorities from SWOT Analysis: 1) Growing young (grow in empathy for young people by looking back at your own life) – Sue Tietz shared her story. 2) Active outreach to the community – late summer block party plans are postponed until 2023 due to date conflicts and time/planning crunch.
- Doors and Hardware: (\$2,550) Two doors every Thursday night for the next 6-8 weeks. Locking mechanisms to be serviced by Valley Builders after all doors are back and in place. Leanne will contact Valley Builders for a bid to cover this bi-annual mechanism maintenance.
- Water Mitigation: (\$4,595 of \$8,625) Appeal runs May and June
- Update on Joan Wolf Funds: Will receive quarterly investment reports. Pastor Mary wrote an explanation of the Joan Wolf gift to the church in Hope’s Happenings. A policy for using and investing the funds is in the works.

New Business:

- Money for AC Line Set – Close out Charter Account that holds gift from Doris Jacobson to cover cost of replacement of line set. Motion by Mark L, Sue T - approved
- Eddy Lane Construction: Project overview from brochure distributed by the city of EC. The carriage walk to the mailbox will extend from sidewalk to office entry. Mailbox will be moved next to carriage walk. Ask city to extend apron off Eddy and additional 18 feet to take care of our failing blacktop. **Update**, Bob Klimpke has contacted the city

engineer – location of the carriage walk has been confirmed. City will only do an 18 foot apron so that will not extend far enough for our blacktop issues.

- Lidixe's Ordination: Saturday July 16th at 11:00 am, purchase stole for \$150 as a gift to Lidixe. Honor Lidixe on Sunday July 17th at Coffee Connections.
- Security System – Immediate need! Trustees have approved up to \$4,500. Three bids will be considered. Mark Larson, Bob Klimpke and Terrie Hanke will consider and recommend a firm for installation. Discussion on Rachel's Place security – will consider what other Day Care programs located in Eau Claire area churches have for security.

Reports:

- **Pastor's Report:** Covered in previous discussion

- **Board of Education:** (*Bringing the word to life for kids, getting them to open their Bibles and talk about Jesus*) Will meet again in August

- **Rachel's Place Board:** (*To enrich the quality of family life by providing peace of mind to parents and providing a safe and loving environment to children, where they are given opportunities to learn about God's love through nurturing, acceptance, understanding and love provided by those who guide their development.*) Cost to replace equipment for little playground is \$2,000 but insurance deductible is \$5,000. Will put new equipment out after security system is installed. 20th Anniversary celebration on August 19th 4:30 - 6:30.

- **Board of Outreach:** (*Continue supporting the ongoing Outreach programs and be flexible and open to other needs of the church and our community*) Did Not Meet. Mary L-T inquired about a pamphlet or brochure of Hope activities and groups that could be placed in visitor's gift bag.

- **Board of Trustees:** (*Maintain a balanced budget, prepare and present a stewardship program, provide financial reports to the congregation on a regular basis and continue to encourage electronic giving.*) Covered in Treasurer's report and previous discussion

- **Buildings & Ground:** Kitchen stove/oven repairs – oven issues are related to stove age and can't be repaired so we are exploring options for replacing current electric stove/griddle/oven combination with electric unit with the same features; American Water Works and Premium Lawn have completed their part of water mitigation project. Waiting on gutter and downspout work; Gathering space AC is up and running; Asking Brian to replace caution signs at Starr Avenue parking lot entrances and paint door as well as the west end of Klumby Building (graffiti); parking lot holes off Eddy are filled; Graffiti on dumpsters – Boxx/GFL has replaced the dumpster.

- **Sleep in Heavenly Peace:** May activity - 2 deliveries, 4 kids off the floor (SHP application system shut down); 40 bed build at Schuetzy's on June 11th; continuing discussion on merging with Chippewa to become the Chippewa Valley Chapter where we would continue to handle deliveries for Eau Claire and Altoona and possibly expand along highway 29 to the east.

Adjourn @ 20:10

Respectfully Submitted by

Terrie Hanke