

## Minutes for August 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 Salem Council

Present: Julie Reed, Ellen Marty, Pastor Aaron Holmgren, Elaine Hause, Phil Barker, Bekah Elling, Norma Johannsen, Jack Schlukebier

Devotion offered by Pastor Aaron Holmgren

Opening Prayer offered by Jack Schlukebier

Covenant read by members

Minutes approved with typo corrections and addition of info about Pastor's report to be submitted later.

Reports

Committees

Property and Finance

Missions – written report reviewed

Stewardship – written report reviewed

Education – written report reviewed

Youth and Family – included in Education report

Suggestion to combine Youth and Family and Education Committees was discouraged by council members

Evangelism – no written report.

Reported on Sustainability events and discussions about becoming know at the new apartment complexes on Butler Ave.

Pastor – verbal report. All going well. Pastor engaged in meetings with various groups and much work with St. Stephen's.

Written report to follow

Financial – June Financial written report reviewed

Parish Nurse – written report reviewed

Motion made by Elaine and seconded by Ellen to “Use funds in the Restricted Altar Flowers account to purchase flowers for altar on Sundays when no one has signed up for commemorative/memorial flowers and purchase Poinsettias for Christmas season altar and sanctuary decoration.” Motion passed. Elaine to inform Nancy Wyatt and Michelle Rodriguez of this action and help establish procedure.

We discussed the pastor liability coverage with the plan to get the coverage amounts to ensure we are adequately covered.

AED is installed and maintained by Parish Nurse. AED and CPR classes to be set up by Parish Nurse.

God's Work, Our Hands event to take place Sep 11<sup>th</sup>. Packing of “help” bags to be distributed by congregation members to homeless folks and people in need.

National Night Out was recapped. Deemed a success. Agreed we should do it again next year.

Many thanks to Carol Olson.

Sustainability – Recap – 3 events were successful with good attendance and good involvement at the events.

Youth & Vulnerable Adult policy to be worked on by Elaine and Rebekah

Scholarship Campaigns for students in San Lucas, Guatemala, and Magome, Tanzania, to be held the month of September

Endowment Fund and Applications – Committee will be meeting soon to begin process.

Financial Report to Congregation being developed by Ellen Marty

The Used Clothing Sale is on Aug 26 & 27. Elaine reported much clothing coming in and volunteers are scheduled for sorting.

Salem involvement in Planting Hope, a Synod Campaign, to be discussed at Stewardship Committee meeting.

The Planning Calendar was reviewed and updated.

Other business

Motion to adjourn following closing prayer made by Ellen and seconded by Phil. Motion passed.

Closing Prayer offered by Norma Johannsen

Meeting adjourned at 9:07.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Schlukerbier, acting secretary

Approved Sep, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022.