

**CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2008**

Members present: Pastor Mathews, Bob Davies, Dick Yost, Shirley Buntrock, Barbara Stauffer, Steve Bowman, Bill Calhoon, Bill Oehler and Todd Rehder.

Confirmation students Bill Hamersly, Brandon Pacyna and Colin Langan as well as guest Steve Bettum also in attendance. All were introduced.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with devotions and prayer read by Pastor Mathews.

The minutes of the March meeting were presented. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Shirley Buntrock and second by Todd Rehder. Motion passed.

It was suggested that the May council meeting be moved to May 5 due to the dinner for the women of the congregation being held on Monday, May 12.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

The Financial report for March was provided. Bill Calhoon pointed out that the monthly report is accurate for March; however, the year-to-date report shows a date of 3-1-07, not 08. Pastor Mathews will regenerate the report and approval was deferred to the May meeting.

The audit is complete and no problems to report.

**MINISTRY TEAM REPORTS:**

**WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM – BOB DAVIES**

The team will meet April 24.

The Contemporary Worship Services will begin on Sunday, April 27 and run for 6 Sundays.

The organ was tuned on April 9. Mr. Van der Spek had some recommendations and the committee will follow up as needed.

No questions from council were presented.

**EDUCATION MINISTRY TEAM – DICK YOST**

The Mission District Festival will take place on May 3. The Education Ministry Team will meet May 5.

**SERVICE AND OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM –**

An additional \$500 was sent to Lutheran Congregation Services for family support (as had been previously approved). Dick Yost inquired as to a contribution to the Mission District (as has been done in the past). A contribution of \$350 has been committed to the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Mission District for 2008.

**WITNESS AND FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM – BARBARA STAUFFER**

Brochures on volunteering (by our members) are being presented to the congregation in the bulletins.

The Leisure Ministry committee will begin meeting soon. Lutheran Men in Mission will be attending an event at Bear Creek on April 19. A reception for confirmation students will be held on May 11.

**SUPPORT MINISTRY TEAM – STEVE BOWMAN**

The team is currently recruiting nominees for council. Pastor indicated that we need to be looking for the right people, not just to fill the spots. It also needs to be clear who will be filling the vacancy of Bengt Berg as well as who will be beginning a new term. Pastor questioned if Steve Bettum is available to fill this vacancy and be ready to sit on council for May meeting. Steve indicated an interest. He will fill the vacancy.

Shirley Buntrock has agreed to be a Synod delegate; a male delegate will be sought.

Clean up day is scheduled for Saturday, April 26.

Bill Oehler reports that conversations continue on the potential land purchase or property in proximity to the church. The property adjacent to the parish house is still in conversation as well

**OLD BUSINESS –**

Mission District Festival set for May 3 with nine attendees from Trinity.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

New member transfers: Susan Bettum from St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Scranton, PA. A motion to approve transfer was made by Dick Yost and second Shirley Buntrock. Motion passed.

**OTHER –**

None.

**The Bigger Picture –**

Pastor distributed "The Parish Paper" for members to read and be prepared to discuss at May meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 with the Lord's Prayer and a motion from Steve Bowman and second Bill Oehler. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 5 at 7:30 pm.

Carole Hamersly  
Secretary