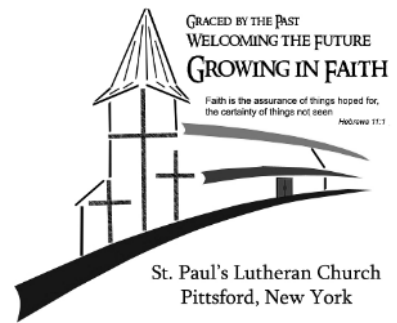


St. Paul's Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

DATE: August 6th, 2007, 6:45pm



Present: Pastor Hedin, Sue Wyatt – acting Recording Secretary, Mara Berndt, Sue Comer, Mike Jordan, Chris Coffey, Dave Pepler, Mike Patchen, Gary Schwartzbauer
GUESTS: Bruce Wilke, Curt Herge, Al Herpich

Next meeting: September 24th, 2007, 6:45pm

I. **Beginning Business**

Introduction – Devotional was led by Dave Pepler. A quorum was declared and the minutes from June's Council meeting were approved as written.

II. **Presentations**

JASY presentation by Bruce Boak and Curt Herge

Presenters are looking for a sponsoring organization for 2008. There is a \$20K budget for the week-long camp in Jamaica where there are 4 schools and 700 kids with an additional 1500 in the mountains of Jamaica aged 14 years old to college age with some adults. **DISCUSSION:** Great idea – we don't have the youth population and we need to get 3 or 4 congregations to get involved. We will get Elizabeth Conderman involved in presenting information to LYO for their consideration.

ELCZ presentation by Al Herpich

Presenter outlined an opportunity for mission work in Zimbabwe with the ELCZ. Zimbabwe was once a leader in literacy and is now one of the worst, it was once the "breadbasket of Africa" and now they are dependant on imports of food; they need our support and fellowship. \$10 US/month pays for a Pastor's salary. They also need HIV assistance. The Bishop in Zimbabwe has offered to house 40 people. We are looking for folks to go to assist them in their efforts next August for approximately 10 days and a minimum cost of \$5K. **PROPOSAL** – will find out more, encourage 1 or 2 people to be one of the 40 to volunteer for this trip.

III. **Reports and Review of ACTION REGISTER (separate document)**

Finance – Report presented as of June 30th.

Pastor – Need to define and affirm the stewardship process at St. Paul's. **MOTION** to give \$70 for transportation to the WELCA convention which will come out of the Pastor's professional expenses budget was **APPROVED**.

Office – We need acolytes for 2nd services and people to distribute Communion. The official age for acolytes is "tall enough to reach the candles" (used to be 7th grade).

IV. **Old Business - Updates**

Golf Outing – The cost of the golf outing on September 13th this year is \$100 or just \$30 for dinner only. There will be approximately \$100 in prizes and we are looking for 2 donations for each person on Council.

V. **New Business**

Porch Repairs – P&M made a **MOTION** to make repairs to the office building porch not to exceed \$2500 with funding to come from the Memorial Fund which was **APPROVED**. We have a written estimate from Andy Rencis for \$1800 which only includes decking repair. We still need approval from APRB.

Resource Conservation Task Force – Gary Schwartzbauer is looking for members to generate and form a plan for St. Paul's to conserve energy, materials, and other resources. We will recruit during Moments for Mission, individual invitation, and asking for further ideas from the congregation.

Erica Washburn – Council will recommend that Erica's salary be placed in the 2008 Budget for January – June for Council consideration by November 1st.