

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

## COUNCIL MINUTES

**Meeting date: 12/2/07**

**Call to Order 12:44 pm**

**Roll Call:** X indicates member(s) not present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rick Barr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tami Czerwonka	<input type="checkbox"/> Chuck Landis
<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Hayes	<input type="checkbox"/> Bill Holman	<input type="checkbox"/> Scott Rife
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Walker	<input type="checkbox"/> Molly Hegenbarth	<input type="checkbox"/> Patti Smith
<input type="checkbox"/> Pastor John	<input type="checkbox"/> Edie Maas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Jordan Emily

\* Denotes youth council liaison.

**Devotions:** Tom Hayes led devotions from the booklet "Living in God's Amazing Grace, Thanks be to God" the theme of the devotion being "The Birth Of Jesus, Little Things Mean A Lot."

**Approval of Minutes from previous Council Meeting:** The minutes being reviewed were for the Church Council Minutes from 11/11/07. Bill Holman moved to accept the Council Minutes, Chuck Landis seconded, motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Edie Maas presented the treasurer's report. Patti Smith moved to accept the report pending audit, Molly Hegenbarth seconded, motion passed.

**Financial Secretary's Report:** Molly Hegenbarth reported that during November, Faith took in \$11,819.17 in giving toward our budget. That total is \$3400.75 behind our budgetary needs for the month. Scott Rife moved to accept the financial secretary's report, Bill Holman seconded, motion passed.

**President's Report:** Tom Hayes reported on November 24<sup>th</sup> a budget meeting was held by the council officers and Edie Maas to finalize the 2008 budget. Tom was also involved in the clean up day at Faith held December 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Team Reports:**

**Stewardship Team:** Molly Hegenbarth reported that during the pledge drive for the 2007 a total of \$163,120.00 was pledged. So far for the 2008 pledge drive \$132,788.00 has been pledged. It was noted that about 20 family units that have historically contributed to Faith have not pledged so far.

**Worship & Music Team:** No recommendations.

**Property Management Team:** A special thanks goes out to all who participated during the outdoor clean-up day on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The property team will look into nagging issues with the boiler system. The moldy ceiling tiles will be replaced. Possible solutions to this problem are being looked into.

**Christian Education Team:** The Junior Youth Group met on November 11<sup>th</sup> to prepare baskets for shut-ins. Eight baskets were delivered. Christian Ed has been meeting about VBS. Christian Education has received a name for a potential nursery attendant. Interviews of this candidate will be following.

**Youth:** January 27<sup>th</sup> will be Youth Sunday. Parents and the youth will soon meet to discuss the next National Youth Convention that will be held in New Orleans during the summer of 2009.

**Parish Life & Outreach Team:** Several groups in the PLOT family have been active, including the OWLS, WELCA. All that attended the Fall game night had a great time. There was a good mix of youth and adults at this event.

**Call Committee Team:** Now that a Pastor has been called the "Call Committee" will be known as the "Mutual Ministries Team" Clarification of their responsibilities and duties will soon be explored.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor John reported that he would prepare a report for the annual meeting. Pastor will also provide a full interim ministries report soon. Pastor John also expressed how it has been a pleasure to serve as interim pastor at Faith.

**Old Business:** There was a following up on questions regarding the property Faith Lutheran donated to McCullough Fire Department.

When the city takes over the fire department the land will roll over with it. We might want to still see how the deed was worded if the land was to be used for anything other than a fire department.

**New Business:** Scott Rife requested usage of the church on December 8<sup>th</sup> for the annual Jeffersonville High School Swim Team Christmas breakfast. Paper work accompanied the request. Patti Smith moved to accept this request, Molly Hegenbarth seconded, and Motion passed.

The suggestion of posting Pastor John's picture with the other pastors of Faith was discussed. During this discussion Pastor John stated that he didn't want his picture posted if Pastor Joyce Gerwing's picture was not posted. Tom Hayes recommended that pictures of both Pastor John and Pastor Joyce be added to the wall. Chuck Landis made an amendment to the motion that stated if Pastor Joyce agreed to have her picture posted then Pastor John's picture would also be posted, but if Pastor Joyce refused to have her picture posted then neither would not be posted. The amended motion was voted on. All but one member voted in favor. The motion passed. Pastor Joyce will be contacted in regards to this matter.

The 2008 budget as prepared by the Executive Board was presented. Patti Smith motion to accept the prepared budget to present to the congregation. Chuck Landis seconded, Motion passed.

Patti Smith asked that council liaisons make sure that the teams that they sit in on have their reports for the annual meeting submitted to her by December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting:** The next council meeting is scheduled for January 13<sup>th</sup>. The congregational budgetary meeting will be December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Patti Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, Molly Hegenbarth seconded, motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 2:11pm.

Minutes Faithfully submitted,

Scott Rife