

Minutes 8/8/17

- Gary presented devotional at 6:25
- June minutes: motion to accept by Brent, second by Lee – approved
- August Agenda: 3 adds - fall highlights, add scheduling mid-year congregational meeting, Vicki fundraisers. Motion to approved as modified by Chris, second by Jeff - approved
- Updates previously distributed: outreach, property, worship: no questions
- Other updates:
 - Care ministry going well in Sharon's absence; returns on August 16th
 - Ministry/Home ministry is encouraging, per Pastor...16 people at Town Village. Montero – worship in chapel in September, seats 90, Vicki/Pastor going
 - 32 people at Grissom work day; we are invited to back-to-school night on August 17th (will serve hot dogs with CdE)
- ACTION Update
 - Last Saturday had training with support team
 - House Meeting campaign
 - Targeting over 200 people in congregation
 - Ask: what is biggest pressure on your family that you would be interested in working to address (or getting help to address)? – let people tell their story, listen (but not try to “fix” it)
 - Looking for help to lead meetings with no more than 10 people
 - Expect council members/spouse to engage, host (in home?)
 - A variety of days/times
 - 2 Action People to facilitate meeting: introductions, prayer, program description
 - Have house meetings outside of existing small groups – meet new people
 - We did a practice exercise
 - After:
 - Summarize/develop common themes
 - Is there something that the congregation can provide to be of service?
 - Is there anything we can elevate to the Tulsa ACTION group? (They are engaging politicians, etc.) – requires members of our congregation to participate
 - Our strategy team decides which few key issues we will address, elevate, decline – we will report this back to the congregation so everyone understands the goals
 - Mantra: “We do not do for others what they could do for themselves”
- Kitchen Update
 - Update is in last week's bulletin insert
 - Work is progressing
 - Fundraising effort must catch up with pace of work
 - Targeting to be done by Fish Fry (end of September)
 - Will continue to make announcements at each service about status of funds
- Constitution
 - Reviewed response letter from Synod
 - Discussed feedback item for C9.21 – who should be empowered to call a Word and Service (not a Word and Sacrament) pastor – Congregation of Council? Motion to specify Congregation by Gary, second by Chris – approved
 - Remaining minor recommendations will be incorporated
- Mid-Year congregational meeting
 - Typically done weekend before Labor Day, conflicts with Germany Trip – move to Sep 10
 - Include a Family Promise Update
 - Include an ACTION update
 - Include kitchen update
 - Nominating committee update – key positions opening
 - Review financial status
- Fundraiser requests

- Use offering at April Spring Sing Ring in 2018 for Christian Arts camp
- Use offering from Jan 2018 Pulling Strings for Arts for Guyana music academy
- Motion made by Lee, second by Gary – approved
- Fall highlights
 - Aug 27 – Sep 9 Germany trip; Floyd cover first Sunday, Ed Decker the second while pastor is out
 - Sep Rally Day – “Luther-Mania” consider a cluster option with other Lutheran churches
 - ACTION Home Meetings in Oct
 - Oct 14 – Habitat for Humanity Day for Fellowship (wall raising on Aug 26th)
 - Sep 17 – Fish Fry – money split between Guyana Music and CdE
 - Late Sep – Pastor/Roy attend ELCA meeting
 - Nov – veterans month. Series with Erv Jansen and several guest speakers
 - Thanksgiving Day – Coffee Bunker meal hosted at Fellowship
 - Dec – “Welcoming the Stranger” for hospitality/immigration theme for Advent
 - Dec 10 – Christmas concert
 - Dec 20 – Posadas with CdE
 - Dec 24 – Sunday this year. Considering one am and three candlelight
 - Dec 31 – New Years Eve on Sunday this year. Considering non-standard options
- Finance
 - Let year in the black on income to budget at the end of July was 2012 – we are in good shape
 - YTD net 15,405 to the good
 - Discussion about what to do with a year-end surplus (capital, ministries, endowment, savings) – priorities should be established. What is the role of Finance Committee?
- Adjourn: 8:20