

**Emanuel Lutheran Church Council Meeting
January 12, 2010**

Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm

Present: Will Grimes, Pastor Jerry Collell, Justin Cerkowski, Tim Reasoner, Beth Gale, Mike Matthews, Cristina Slease, Marjan Morrish, Chet Morrish, Conley Booth, and Keri May

Pastor Collell started us off with devotions.

Ministry teams were decided on as follows:

*Worship Ministry - Marjan Morrish
Congregational Life - Tim Reasoner and Marjan Morrish
Sharing Ministry - Justin Cerkowski and Chet Morrish
Support Ministry - Will Grimes and Cristina Slease
Welcome and Outreach Ministry - Keri May and Cristina Slease
Spiritual Growth - Conley Booth and Mike Matthews*

Mutual Ministry - Tim Reasoner, Will Grimes and Conley Booth

The Council discussed electing Tim Reasoner our President. Marjan Morrish motioned, and Mike Matthews 2nd. Vote - 10-0

Justin will continue to be the Vice President and Keri May was appointed as Secretary. Jody and Beth will continue as our finance team.

Terms are:

Justin Cerkowski has 1 year left.

Will Grimes has 1 year left

Tim Reasoner has 1 year left

Chet Morrish has 2 years left

Conley Booth has 2 years left

Mike has a 2 year term

Keri May has 3 years

Cristina Slease has 3 years

Marjan Morrish has 3 years

The Council will have a council retreat on February 13th from 10am - 2pm. This retreat will help us focus on our vision for the year. We will also try and answer the question, "If all our ministries were booming, what would Emanuel Lutheran Church look like?"

The Board of Pensions wants a payment plan for the almost \$11,000 we owe them. Pastor will call them and see about working something out.

Tim talked with Denia regarding the \$900.00 dollars we have left over from the frisbees last year and asked if we can re-designate this money for the board of pensions. She said she is fine with that.

Marjan will ask WELCA if they can donate some money to help with the Board of Pensions.

*Marjan will call Joanne Lacey to get information on selling our extra lot.
Tim will put information in the newsletter regarding the sell of the extra lot.*

Synod may help with some money for Board of Pensions if we have a stewardship drive. Keri May has ideas to kick off a stewardship drive.

Mutual Ministries will meet with Pastor on Thursday, January 21st at 7pm regarding this next year.

Tim will get scrip renewal information on the website. It costs the church \$7.50 every time we place an order. We need to make bigger orders for this to be cost effective.

Safeway has a club card program that you can get a percentage of your purchases donated to the church. If we sign up 50 people who spend \$400 dollars per month, we can earn up to \$12,000 dollars a year. Those who already designate there percentage to a school, can go online and decided what percent they want to go to each organization.

We are going to combine the services on months that have 5 Sundays. They are January, May, August, and October. It is too late to do it for January, but we can do it for the rest. We will use these Sundays to highlight our major ministries.

May - Spiritual Ministry and Worship Ministry

August - Congregational Life Ministry and Support Ministry

October - Welcome and Outreach Ministry and Sharing Ministry

Before the retreat each council member will meet with their service partner to discuss ideas for the year and for their service.

January 31st - Council will take over and do the service.

Sermon - Tim Reasoner

Children's Sermon - Keri May

Readers - Erin Smith (1st service)/Cristina Slease (2nd service)

Reading of the Gospel - Mike Matthews

Thanksgiving of Baptism - Justin Cerkowniak

Keri May will ask Mary Didszun if she would be interested in doing the prayer.

We will have a practice for this on Saturday, January 30th at 12:30.

Cristina Slease will call and let Terry Thompson know this is our plan.

Council will try and get Beth Gale and Jody Vossie a spot for the Crown Ministry Workshops at the couple rate. Keri May, Tim Reasoner, and Mike Matthews will donate for their fee.

Jerry's Final Thoughts - Focus on your truck to sustain your fruit. Focus on our center with God!!

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm