

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

June 6, 2017

Your Church Council would like to keep you informed as to what is going on at our meetings. We appreciate our church family and want to stay connected to you.

The Council Meeting of Harbor of Joy Lutheran Church was held on June 6, 2017 at 7:00 pm. President Denny Struck called the meeting to order. The following members were present: President Denny Struck, Vice President Barbara Rohlf, Secretary Linda Johnson, Treasurer Becky Roe, Financial Secretary Kristi Peck, and council members Elmer Lubinus, Lynne Koelling, Scott Berry, Adam Clausen, and Pastor Tim Nappe. Absent council members was Dale Gehrels.

Financial Report/ Treasurer Report

May Sunday offerings	\$14,303.00
Average weekly giving	\$3,575.75 (needed \$4,500.)
May Expenses	\$16,674.73

Fund Balances as of June 4, 2017

General Fund	\$7,648.58
Building Improvement Fund	\$73,465.27
Mission Fund	\$8,334.14
Discretionary Fund	\$1,298.90
Memorial Fund	\$10,663.67
Youth Ministry	\$1,102.00

Board Reports

Board of Administration

- **Property Committee-** Thanks to Adam Clausen Spic n Span Solutions for janitorial duties. He has been hired for this job. Son Brady is also mowing the church yard on Friday or Saturday.
- Special thanks to Steve Letcher and others for weeding and tree pulling
- Many thanks to Terry Dirks for painting the Fireside Room.
- **Stained Glass window project** Final two panels of entrance glass funded by Verne and Kate Hansen were delivered April 30th. Bogenrief will install three panels and submit sanctuary designs. Soon we will be able to admire the finished project.
- **Memorial Team-** New coffee for our morning coffee bar we are all enjoying now! Thanks!
- **Mission Team-** Thanks to God's Closet headed by Carol Banta and Carolyn Rossie to organize the filling of shoe boxes for Samaritan's Purse. Please see Sunday Bulletin for things to be saving and bringing to Mission Room.
- **Promotion/Media-**
 1. Webpage upgrade bid of \$750 from Nick Fear was approved last month. After the upgrade it will be followed by training.
 2. Discussion on Milford Commercial Club asking churches to do an event during Pioneer Days on July 17th for 125th celebration. Discussion was that Harbor of Joy will hold an entertainment event from 5-6:30. Discussion was held to contact entertainment by Christopher Furman for entertainment and a food truck for entertainment/food in the parking lot.
 3. Milford Pioneer Days Parade Saturday July 22nd- Barbara Rohlf and Kaira will provide

representation for us in the parade with Joy Kids/ Joy Us participating

BOARD OF SPIRITUAL OVERSIGHT

- **Parish Ed-** Summer Street Bible School will be held on Wednesday evenings starting July 26th. Thanks to Karen Dokken for paying for the Florence Park Shelter House. The topic is four old testament Bible Stories. Teachers are all ready but we still need a craft person. Please see Parish Ed if you are willing to help our youth by helping with summer street bible school whether it be for crafts or just showing up to help nurture our youth. **YOU ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!** Watch the bulletins for further information!
- **Adult Discipleship/Small groups-** Looking forward to the new Bible study in the fall which will be the study of Daniel. Our church is excited about the Martin Luther Celebration 500 years since the 95 thesis and will be discussing ways we can celebrate and educate for this milestone in history.
- **Prayer Team-** Thanks to our wonderful Prayer Chain led by Patt Gehrels, Tuesday noon prayer group meeting every Tuesday at noon and praying for our many concerns. Thanks to steadfast and faithful prayer warriors. **We are in need of a volunteer to manage and update the webpage and facebook, etc. to replace Patt. Patt will still be our prayer leader. Any volunteers???????? See Denny or a council member if you are interested in helping.**
- **Community Outreach-** AA groups on Wednesday nights and Friday afternoon, 4H club meetings second Thursday night of the month, Lutheran School bus stop, Hope Haven/ Echo Plus Monday service project. Mondays these volunteers from Hope Haven/Echo Plus led by Inga and helpers disinfect our church and have been helping with watering of flowers and weeding on their Monday projects. They are also collecting coins for us. Thank You!
- **Worship Team-** chronological reading of the Bible with focus on sermon messages. Coffee bar is being enjoyed by all. Please continue to sign up for Sunday morning treats after our service. We greatly appreciate our sign ups for Sunday morning helpers whether it be to make coffee, serve, treats, usher, or greet. YOU are appreciated!
- **Fellowship Team-** Wednesday night monthly suppers continue with last Wednesday of the month fellowship led by Dean Ramsey.

Old Business

- Dena and Charly are in the process of making a member directory. It can be sent by email so members can print a free copy if they wish. It can also be printed by Shutterfly for about \$13 per soft cover issue for those without email. Hopefully all pictures have been submitted to Dena by the end of May. Thanks for your help.
- We now have an answering machine for our office phone. If you leave a message it will be retrieved and checked often.
- Thanks to Bruce Osher for volunteering to be our HOJ rep for the Bible Camp.

New Business

- Karen Sunde was approved to be the new Safety Director. **MANY THANKS!**
- June 18-23 Mark Vander Teig will give presentations at the camp 10-12 am. He is a dynamic speaker and we encourage everyone to go and hear him!
- Kristi presented a debit authorization for congregation if so desired for a method of payment for Sunday offerings. Thanks to Kristi for this easy way of contributing when we are away or unable to be in church.

Blessings from your Harbor of Joy Church Council
Linda Johnson(Secretary)