

LONG LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING~JUNE 11TH ,2009

The meeting was called to order by John Bartz at 7:05 pm. We had a guest speaker, Helen Clark, from Luther Point, to talk about their campaign. Opening More Doors TOGETHER. We went over the master calendar. Send off service is being planned for the youth that are going to the youth conference on July 20th. They are working on the Sunday school program for next year. Talk about adult forum and the outdoor service. Spire deadline is June 15th. July council reps are John and Tina. May minutes were approved with one change.

The staff has been working very hard on the worship service. We are going back to last years' Worship booklet. This is okay with Pastor Dave and Pastor Rhonda. A motion was made to use the summer booklet we have used in the past and to continue using With one Voice for the songs. It was seconded and was carried.

Finance Report: We started the month with \$15,000 and we are down to \$9,000 today. We need to get a group together to look at this and see what we can do.

Pastor Dave: Pastor Dave read the mission of the church. And then passed out a summary of the Holy conversation from May 31st.

Three questions:

1. Where have we been-What has God(the Holy Spirit) been doing among you in the past?

A long history, the movement from a small rural congregation to a newer, larger community oriented congregation. Increased membership by expanding church facilities, community outreach, auction, live nativity, IHN, soup suppers, fish fries, Joseph Granary, youth program growing, hospitality, friendliness, quilting, fun, "God among the people", visitation, and examples of caring.

2. What is our current mission? What are the essential ingredients? "Proclaim the Gospel of Christ", meaningful and inspirational Worship, Study, Share, Serve, the above list seemed to be answers here as well.

3. What is the vision of mission for this congregation? Outreach, more information for visitors and new members, more community involvement, expanded youth program, communication groups, cottage groups, out of old ruts and comfort zones, challenge people to grow in faith, expanded music program, involve youth in worship, involve new people.

There will be a worship serves on July 1st with communion.

Pastor Rhonda: The youth are closing in on their trip to New Orleans. They are about \$1,000 short of their goal. The past month has been full of exciting ministry! She has been working hard with Pastor Dave to get him acclimated to Long Lake and it's daily routine in the way of staff meetings and regular office communication. She has prepared 4 families for baptism in the way of our first Baptism class here at Long Lake, a class that will take place every three months for all those anticipating baptism. She has been working with Monica Ahlman on Crocodile Dock- Our Wednesday night VBS program that is well under way. She has been getting

ready to spend time with our confirmation students at Luther Point the third week of June as they go to confirmation camp. She has been preparing to take our group of five excited young people to New Orleans in just over 6 weeks. All this in addition to the added duties of leading worship preaching, working with Pastor Dave in his transition, and working with the council in the transition period on all the things that need to be done.

Youth: The youth made about \$500 at the car wash and rolls. Thank you to everybody.

Property: The alarm system is in. We will set July 6th as setup date. We are waiting to hear from Matt on the bid for the parking lot.

Stewardship: The ball field is coming along good. They had 7 adults and 2 kids there on June 6th. Bruce Riebe is working on the website. He has put new pictures on the web page. Squares are going to start up again. They are going to meet on Wed. June 17th at 6:30. They are planning a breakfast as a fund raiser. Tony has been going to the staff meeting.

Congregational Life: The fish and chicken fry is scheduled for June 26th.

Education: VBS is going good. Day camp is set for July 20th - 24th. They are looking for a host family.

Old business: We need to get things going on the flower beds.

We closed with prayer and will meet again in 2 weeks, June 25th.

Respectfully, Rose Hass, Council Secretary