Salem Lutheran Church 2702 1st Street, Mahtowa, MN 55707

Church Council Minutes, May 8th, 2017

Members Present: Pastor Beth, Donita Korpela, Dave Eller, Jody Eller, Brent Speldrich, Marie Nybloom, Caleb Anderson Opening Prayer led by Pastor Beth

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda with the removal by Dave, Second by Brent. Agenda carries

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from April 10th, 2017 Meeting were presented. Motion to approve by Brent, Second by Dave. Motion carried

Financial Report: Financial report reviewed for Jan thru May, 2017. Review of the special funds/balances that are in the financial accounts. Financial report was accepted as reported. Motion to approve by Donita , Second by Marie, Motion carries

Pastor's Report:

- a) Summer worship schedule was presented by Pr. Beth.
- b) "Designed to Pray" is an 8 week long study that Pr. Beth will lead anyone interested in meeting to review. Starting May 29th until July 24th on Monday nights 7-8pm.
- c) "My Neighbor is Muslim" is an education program that Pr. Beth is will lead this summer on Wed. evenings at 6-7:00PM May 28th until July 12th. Bethesda Congregation may be interested in participating in this with us also.

Old Business:

- a) Carpet Cleaning: Spot cleaning is recognized as being a need at this time for the Salem Mahtowa Hall. Brent will contact Josh Freiberg to complete this cleaning after Sunday School is done. We will check the church as well for needs.
- b) Hall Maintenance: The outside of the Hall is in need of painting, weeds growing in the basketball court, and other maintenance needs. Youth group has plans for cleaning the grounds on Saturday and we should touch base with them on duties. We will plan possibly a crew to assist with roof and painting.
- c) Volleyball Court: Youth have funded for a year and a half for the volleyball court and plan to complete this in the next couple of months. The Eagle Scouts are going to participate in that as well. Motion to approve the volleyball court with proper disposal of spoiled materials by Dave, 2nd by Marie, Motion Carries
- d) Sign and Logo Team update: No meeting has been set up. Covenant Church asked if Salem would have interest in adding both Covenant and Salem Churches to the current sign in Mahtowa. Pr. Beth will reply to the Covenant that we have some interest in this signage.

New Business:

- a) Rentals: Clarification for Hall Rentals. The Rental for the Hall only would only include use of water.
 - a. Kitchen: Extra \$50 fee if use of the coffee maker, and any hall appliances or wares
 - b. Tables and Chairs: Request for use of the tables/chairs from the church from a member for a private party. Motion to not have any rental or loaning of tables and chairs of church property for a private party. Motion seconded, Council is in agreement and motion carries.
- b) Bank Account Delegate: Motion to remove Doug Soukkala and Noah Johnson from the general checking account for Salem Lutheran Church by Dave, 2nd by Brent. Motion to add Caleb Johnson and Jody Eller to the general checking account by Dave, 2nd by Brent. Motion carries.
- c) Como pricing for gas will be taken care of by Lance Korpela
- d) Building committee has been planning the next part of the hall remodeling with the Sunday School room.

Closing Prayer: Led by Caleb

Adjourn: at pm Motion to adjourn by Donita, Second by Brent, Motion Carried.

Next meeting: Monday, June 12 th at 6:30PM