**Saint Luke’s Lutheran Church**

*Building Disciples Together with God*

Council Minutes

July 16, 2017

**Attending**: Pastor Nathan, Sue Kaufman, Joy Derrick, Doug Burgreen, Mike Merriman, Mackenzie Merriman, Kevin Deise, Ron Bierling, Riley Walker, Bubba Connelly, Charlie Holman

**Excused**: David McDougal, Marilyn Zielke, Pastor Andrea

Marty Sessler presented council with the idea that we could use the Columbarium as the time capsule for our 125th anniversary. Pastor Nathan moved to designate one or two niches in the Columbarium for a time capsule for the 125th anniversary. Bubba Connelly seconded. Motion passed.

**Devotions**: Pastor Nathan told the story of King Saul and his good decision. As a council we will also have to make good decisions and know that everyone will not be happy with all our decisions. We must focus on “what is the mission of our church”? We want all of our decisions to further the mission of our congregation.

We welcomed our new council members. Doug Burgreen went over the duties of the Council Person of the Day.

**Minutes** were approved as written

**Treasurer’s Report** – We are 35,032.06 in the red. June is traditionally a slow month.

**Committee Reports**

Property – We have decided on a contractor for the sanctuary. He will get started by July 30th and it will take 4-6 weeks at a cost of $89,500. The pews and windows are not included.

Finance – Sue Kaufman moved that the three people to be signers for checks for the capital campaign be the church treasurer, the president of council and Bart Sabine. Mike Merriman seconded. Motion passed.

(Elmo Illderton Sr., Elmo Illderton Jr. and Beth Sabine currently are signers for the regular account.)

**125th Anniversary Report**

Saturday, August 26th the 125th Anniversary Committee is holding a catered supper on the lawn outside the sanctuary. Open mike night with Jo Dufford storytelling, sing-a-long with Jani Williams. Cost for the evening is $10 a person (10+ older) with a family cap of $30. On Sunday, August 27th we will have a festival service at 8:30 and 11:15. In between the two services we will have a brunch celebration outside. Pastor Nathan moved that all profits from the 125th anniversary quilt will go toward purchasing a new church sign. Sue Kaufman seconded. Motion passed. Pictures of Pastor Nathan and Pastor Andrea will be added to the wall in the narthex of the Sanctuary.

**Old Business**

Freeman House – nothing has been done. Cedric Thomas is working on the appraisal. Tabled.

**New Business**

Allison Duke has agreed to be our new treasurer. Council voted to appoint Allison Duke as treasurer as soon as Elmo Illderton steps down. There is a question about who will do the payroll.

Since the ARK will not be moving to the house on Central, we need to ask them what their intensions are for moving or staying at St. Lukes.

Sue Kaufman moved and Kevin Deise seconded that Deb Holman remain the signer for the Children’s Center Board even though she is not a member of the Children’s Center board. Motion passed.

On August 10th St. Lukes 125th anniversary will be recognized with a proclamation from the Town of Summerville at 6:00 PM on the second floor of the town hall.

Next meeting: August 14th, 2017 Council Person of the Day for August– Marilyn Zielke