

Our Redeemers Church Council Minutes January 3, 2018

President Amanda Cook called the meeting to order. Also present were Jon Schiele, Christine Henderson, Jamie Lagodinski, Diane Klein & Beth Andrys. Jon opened with prayer. Minutes from 12/6/17 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes made by Christine, seconded by Jon, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Checking acct. balance was \$15,663.56 (after deducting \$200 music allowance) on 12/31/17. There was \$340 in loose offering from Nov. & Dec. earmarked for the Edgeley Food Outreach (SS Reverse Advent Calendar Mission). Overall, giving was up by about \$4,800 & expenses were down by about \$500 from last year. Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by Jamie, seconded by Jon, motion carried.

The 2018 proposed budget was discussed. It was decided to create two mileage expense categories – one pastoral & one general. Education budget will be increased to \$3,000. The building fund was discussed. Amanda will ask the congregation at the annual meeting what they want this money to be used for – structural or repairs/upkeep. Youth camp money was discussed (\$1,000 for winter/\$1,000 for summer) & whether we should have a separate category for that. It was decided to deal with it as it comes up. The mission budget will be increased to \$4,000. Motion to accept the proposed budget with changes made by Jamie, seconded by Diane, motion carried.

Reports from Committees

Evangelism: Christmas Eve service was well attended.

Stewardship: Offering money up. Christine will have annual giving statements available at the annual meeting.

Worship: Nothing to report.

Property: Fuel levels will be monitored.

Youth: Pre-confirmation will begin a new curriculum beginning 1/7/18.

Fellowship: LL will host a brunch after the annual meeting on 1/21/18.

Unfinished old business: Bibles will be handed out to four 2nd graders at the annual meeting (Nathan S., Taygen Y., McKenna C. & Natalie H.). Jim Steele is going to make another new pulpit to match the pastor's pulpit & Mary wondered if Dotty would like it given in her name instead of a bench. Amanda would ask Dotty. Jamie suggested the 2018 Christmas Eve service start at 5 pm.

Missions: Nothing to report.

New Business: Jamie offered to print the annual meeting book at work. Jamie suggested that Amanda ask the congregation at the annual meeting if they each member could create a list of duties they perform. A new member class was discussed as Susie Nitschke has requested to join the church. Diane suggested the purchase of new candles for 2018 Christmas Eve service. Ash Wed. is 2/14/18. Lenten services will be held at 7 pm. Easter Sun. is 4/1/18. Beth asked council's thoughts about a SS winter outing. Christine suggested a movie at the church. Jamie volunteered to organize a movie day & show "Star".

Pastor's Report: Nothing to report.

The next meeting will be held on 2/7/18 at 5:15 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Christine, Diane seconded, motion carried. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Andrys