

Our Redeemers Church Council Minutes September 5th 2018

President Amanda Cook called the meeting to order. Also present were Lori Callahan, Christine Henderson, Jim Stiles and Pastor Jordan. Jordan opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes from the June 7th regular meeting and the June 20th special meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made by Christine and seconded by Jim. Motion carried. There is approximately \$12,489.76 in the checking account. Christine asked about moving some money from the Money market to CDs as they are paying better interest. After looking at the options, a motion was made by Christine to move \$10,000 to a 24 month CD at 2% interest. The motion was seconded by Jim. A memorial was given in memory of Mary Jane Anderson. It was decided to put it toward the new sound system and send a thank you letting them know that this is what was done. Jessica Kusler is presently \$150 dollars a month short of having 100% of her funding in place. A member of the congregation had pledged another fifty dollars a month to the \$100 that the church is already giving, but haven't given since then. It was decided that Christine should contact them and find out if they intend to continue giving as pledged as Jessica needs to know if she can count on this as part of her continued support. Cemetery dues will go up \$50 in 2019. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Lori and seconded by Jim.

Evangelism: A new Member Sunday is planned for September 30th. Jordan will contact Kathy DeBolt about baskets for Janet Peterson, Dorinda McClellan, Suzi and Dylan Nitschke, and Curwood and Helen Seefeldt.

Worship: Jordan didn't have any specific times that he will need to be gone this month, but anticipates needing 2 Sundays off in October.

Property: Amanda will replace two bulbs out in the entryway and one in the hallway.

Youth: Sunday School will start either the last Sunday in September or the first Sunday in October. Confirmation will start this coming Sunday. Pre-Confirmation will start in October. The Youth Group will be hosting the "Trunk or Treat" at the end of October. .

Fellowship: Amanda will talk to Kathy DeBolt about New Member Sunday.

Technology: The sound system is up and running. Jim has prepared a sign-up sheet for those willing to learn to operate it when he needs to be gone (that will be 6 of the next 9 weeks). Suggestions for better utilizing the system included: an adaptor for Jordan's guitar-part of the package that includes extra microphones, etc. (\$875), the device for recording Jordan's sermons (\$175), connecting the speaker in the nursery (\$150), Laptop (\$1000), updated Wi-Fi and router (\$30/per month). Jim has grants written to LCMC that he should hear back about after their Annual meeting in October. Then he will submit a grant request to Thrivent. It was decided to have Jim make a detailed list and present it to the council before a decision was made. The old speaker could be sold on e-bay for \$600-\$1200 (pick up only due to the weight). The old sound box has no resale value, but the school is looking for old electronic devices for student projects. Christine will tell them if they want it to let us know and they can come and get it.

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 8th. A motion to adjourn was made by Christine and seconded by Jim. Motion passed. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Lori Callahan