Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

July 20, 2023 – 6:30 pm Conference Room

Members present: Danette Welsh (President), Kyle Gebhardt, Sue Kolling, Matt McMerty, Dean Natwick, Barb Pfeifer, Londa Rodahl, Denise Wetzel, and Pastor Martha HarriSon.

Members absent: Bob Baumann, Bev Cross and Colleen Peterson.

Devotions were given by Denise Wetzel.

Approval of Agenda: Kyle Gebhardt moved approval of the agenda. Second by Sue Kolling and carried.

Acceptance of Consent Agenda: Matt McMerty moved acceptance of the Consent Agenda. Second by Kyle Gebhardt and carried.

Financial Report: Matt McMerty reported June revenues of \$60,570.57, expenses of \$65,418.40, leaving a balance of \$-4,847.83. Year-to-Date: revenues \$411,828.95, expenses \$389,392.77, balance \$22,436.18. Kyle Gebhardt moved that the Council received the financial report. Second by Denise Wetzel and carried.

Dwelling in the World: Pastor Martha led us in a discussion of how do we become more welcoming to everyone. Feel free to bring this up at your committees that meet within the next month and/or give any suggestions/comments/phrases to one of the pastors. Denise suggested: "Let us be a safe haven."

Old Business:

Transferring Financial Institutions Update: Matt McMerty reported the staff recently had a training session with ICON and it went well. Most of the funds have been transferred from Bravera to 1st International Bank; however, Bravera is still receiving some deposits but that should be completed soon.

Insurance Claim – Community Center. Danette Welsh reported the insurance adjusters looked at the damaged gutters on the old sanctuary. This damage won't be covered because it was caused by an ice dam which formed and ice dams aren't covered. We will receive some compensation for the damage the leaking roof caused inside the old sanctuary. Contracts were signed for the roof repairs and plaster work will be done in the old sanctuary.

New Business:

Trust Fund Grant Applications:

Pastor Martha reviewed the Trust Fund grant applications for: 1) replacing the faire altar linen [\$331.89]; 2) purchase and installation of a video switcher for livestreaming [\$2000]; and 3) funding for Block Party & Corn Feed supplies for food, activities, mailings, advertisements, etc. [\$2500]. Matt McMerty moved that the Council supports these Trust Fund grant applications. Second by Sue Kolling and carried.

Outdoor Worship Responses: Pastor Martha and Danette had received comments about the outdoor worship services such as safety for those with mobility issues (uneven ground, wet grass, weather, little shade, etc.), lack of help setting up/taking down equipment, etc. These comments will be taken to the Worship, Music and Art Committee for their deliberation.

Block Party & Corn Feed: Pastor Martha noted this is scheduled for Sunday, August 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and we'll need many volunteers to help. The Fellowship Committee is excited about working on this event. Some of the things planned: prayer wall; Where are you from? board; the Family Life Committee is planning games, crafts, sidewalk chalk and face painting; a photo booth, and a bounce house.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted, Londa Rodahl, Secretary