

# **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes October 10, 2017, 7:00 P.M., Fellowship Hall**

**Present:** Rebecca Berg, Candace Bradley, Greg Buchholz, Adam Castle, Sue Hertless, Nancy Judge, John Mott, Rev. Jeremy Serrano.

**Excused:** Tyler Costa, Joseph Husary, Laura Mott (treasurer), Tony Rogelstad.

**Call to Order:** 7:08 P.M.

**Devotional Reading and Opening Prayer:** Pr. Jeremy, *Help Me to Say Yes.*

## **Reading of the Covenant**

### **Recognitions:**

Rev. Jeremy: Kay Bennett and Connie Batchelder for distributing Reformation Festival flyers door to door.

Greg/Tony: Candace Bradley for organizing the blood drive.

**Correspondence:** None at this time.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Approval of the September 2017 Council meeting minutes: tabled until next meeting.

Reformation Festival update: All 20 stations have been staffed, but it would be helpful to have additional volunteers to fill in during breaks. Ione Bantly and her son John will staff the Welcome Table. Members of the Property Committee will start labeling the booths at 3:00 P.M. on 10/28, and workers will start setting up the booths at 4:00 P.M. An RV will be brought in and staffed overnight to provide security. An East Bay Times photographer will come to take pictures of the event. The Boy Scouts have already canvassed hundreds of house in nearby neighborhoods. The Boy Scouts will also staff the shooting booth. Rev. Jeremy anticipates that there will be \$600-\$700 left of the \$1500 budget.

Access to the Finance computer (previously tabled discussion): the login and QuickBooks passwords have now both been changed. Laura Mott will store the passwords in a secure location. We still need to have Carl Thorenson review our systems and provide recommendations for all who have access to our network.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Facility use requests: None at this time.

On Sat. 11/14/17, PLTS will be installing their new rector and be using GSLC for most of the day.

## **Reports**

### **Pastor's Report:**

Pr. Jeremy will attend the Sierra Pacific Leadership Conference on October 17-19.

Pr. Jeremy will attend an ecumenical gathering of bishops at Christ the King Catholic Church on 10/22/17 3:30 P.M. in honor of the Reformation.

## **Reports** (cont'd)

### **Pastor's Report:** (cont'd)

Youth Ministry: the First Presbyterian Church of Concord, Concord United Methodist Church, and the First Christian Church of Concord have banded together to create a joint youth group that meets on the first Sunday of the month and rotates between churches. This typically includes 50-60 young people with games and a Bible study. For now we are calling this the Concord Christian Club.

### **President's Report:**

Recognition: Property Committee for all of their hard work at the Work Day on 9/23/17.

Upcoming Events/Goals: Reformation Festival. Let's all do our part to help make this a success.

#### Long Term Goals:

- New FFF building
- Alarm system activation.
- Council member photos needed.

Concerns: We have been having some issues with the air conditioning system and the boiler. The boiler is around 50 years old and is getting very temperamental. We need to start thinking about its replacement. This will be discussed further with the Property Committee.

**Finance Report:** The committee met on 10/9/17. No Council members were present, but the financials were available.

**Worship & Music:** The regular meeting was held to put music together for church. Some church members feel that the organ music is too loud. Some members have expressed concern over difficulty following Gloria's playing style for singing. Rev. Jeremy reminded us that In Lutheran worship, the voice is the primary instrument.

**Fellowship:** Carin Olson has agreed to run the Thanksgiving dinner. Sue asked if Jean Moore might also be willing to participate. Greg will follow up with Jean.

**Youth:** See Pastor's Report above.

### **Property & Long-Range Planning:**

Recognitions: Sat. 9/23/17 church work party attendees Jim Olson, John Moss, Gary Mahloch, Greg Buchholz, Jamie Rodemsky, Mike Albrecht, and Tony Rogelstad.

#### Short Term Goals:

- Install new trash/smoking receptacles around Fellowship Hall.
- Install "No Smoking" signs on upper deck
- Install casters on dry flower rack for Altar Guild
- Greg to research sound dampening devices for cell tower in upper lot.
- Greg to set up meeting with Denalect to go over alarm usage.

#### Long Term Goals

- Develop building plan for new FFF building in upper lot.
- Repair and paint rain gutters on Fellowship Hall.
- Reseal and stripe all parking lots.
- Implement better usage of new security system.

## **Property & Long-Range Planning: (cont'd)**

### Concerns:

The Property Committee intends to remove a large number of shrubs that continue to provide shelter and screening for the homeless on campus.

**Christian Education:** No report at this time.

### **Stewardship:**

Nancy recognized Laura Mott for helping to prepare the Stewardship Drive timeline.

Greg Buchholz and Tyler Costa plan to speak on Sunday 11/12 and 11/19, respectively. Susan Metzger will deliver any leftover stewardship packets, and Candace Bradley may be able to help.

**Evangelism:** No report at this time.

### **Social Ministry:**

Recognitions to Laura Mott for advertising the American Red Cross blood drive, and Rev. Jeremy for posting on the church website. There were 33 blood donations made.

### **Items for next newsletter:**

- Recap ARC blood drive
- Reformation Festival
- Fellowship chairperson search
- Ecumenical youth group

The next Council meeting will be on 11/14/17 at 7:00 P.M.

Adam made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Candace, and passed.

The Council meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M. Prayers were requested for the Napa fire victims and for Greg Buchholz's neighbor.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mott  
Secretary