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The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



Reverend Jeffrey McPike, BCC
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October 2013

Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

Psalm 119:105

Church Council Minutes

September 3, 2013

(Abridged Edition)

5 members, plus Pastor McPike, attended the monthly council meeting held on September 3 in the fellowship hall.

Secretary's minutes were read and approved. Treasurer Bob Zimmerman, reported the cash balance being \$93,469.18. Report was approved. The Blue Ridge back pack program will be the recipient of our September mission giving and the Fisher Schools will be the recipient of our October mission giving.

Pastor McPike reported that Vicar Jonathan Scheck worked out well as the summer vicar. He feels that the summer program will give him an advantage when he returns to his classes at the seminary. Pastor thanked all of the members who helped make this a very educational experience for Vicar Scheck. We did have a very busy and eventful summer at Osman and Pastor thanked all of the members who attended and helped with the picnic and the farewell potluck.

Nikki Gallier, Sunday School Superintendent, is working on the selection of the Christmas Program for the children.

The trustees report included a major discussion on the tuck-pointing project that will be presented to the voters on September 8th. There were only two bids presented and at the present time it looks like we are interested in having D. Gray Tuck-pointing from Mahomet do the project with the bid of \$34,400. Chairman Hardesty suggested that we obtain another bid. Pastor McPike picked out Kross Tuck-pointing from the Newman area from the yellow pages and John Gercken agreed to get a bid from them. The guttering project that will also be needed was discussed. The council had only received one bid by the meeting time. This bid was from Red Line Guttering from Farmer City

for the amount of \$1118.

The sign up sheet for the slate of officers for 2014 for the council is posted on the back bulletin board.

The next council meeting will be October 1st. The next quarterly voters meeting will be Sunday, October 6th.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Hendricks

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Special Voters Meeting

September 8, 2013

45 voters were in attendance at the special voters meeting held after the worship service on September 8th.

Pastor McPike opened the meeting with prayer after Darryl Redding and Eric Henriksen signed the constitution.

John Gercken and Steve Warsaw helped Chairman Hardesty present the tuck-pointing project to the voters. There are several places around the church and annex that need brick and mortar repair. Most of these issues have been caused from the lack of gutters on the building. The water from the run off of the roof in both liquid and frozen form, has caused damage to the surface of the bricks and also the mortar. John Gercken and Chairman Hardesty met with Kross Tuck-pointing from the Newman area in the last week to get their bid. The other bid is from D. Gray Tuck-pointing from Mahomet. Kross Tuck-pointing would apply a sealant to the bricks to prevent water from being absorbed. Kross would clean up on Friday so that Sunday worship service would not be a problem. They estimated a 5 week project and would be able to schedule this project next spring.

Chairman Hardesty suggested that we contact Dick

Johnson to see if he would be interested in fixing the fascia boards before the guttering is completed. The two quotes are D. Gray Tuck-pointing with a \$34,800 bid and Kross Tuck-pointing with a \$32,478.12 bid. Darwin Warsaw made the motion to employ Kross Tuck-pointing unless the trustees find a problem with them. Jeff Warsaw seconded. There was no other discussion and the motion carried.

The guttering and the fascia boards will be discussed further at the next voters meeting.

Chairman Hardesty then asked the voters how they would like to pay for this project. Although there was not a formal motion, it was the consensus that it would be financed with the general cash balance.

Barb Whitehouse-Gercken made the motion to adjourn and Roy Whitehouse seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Hendricks



Council Meeting

Church council will meet Tuesday, October 1, at 7 PM in the fellowship hall.

Quarterly Voters Meeting

The quarterly voters meeting will be held on Sunday, October 6th, after the regular worship service. If you are 18 years old, please sign the constitution so you can become a voting member to make decisions on church business.

Church Council Officers Needed!

There are several positions available on the council board which will be elected at the January voters meeting. Please sign the sheet on the back bulletin board if you are interested in serving a term on the council. We are in need of a chairman, 2 elders, a trustee, an assistant financial secretary, an assistant Sunday School superintendent, and a head usher. Please consider using your God given talents to serve your church.

Thrivent News

Thrivent Choice Dollars! This month our congregation received \$199 in choice dollars. This is one way that you can determine how Thrivent uses its charitable outreach grant dollars. Thank you to William Amdor, Allen Grussing, Brenda Hendricks, Margie Morrissey, Shirley Sprau, Annette Whitehouse, and Roy Whitehouse for their donations. If you are a Thrivent member, please check to see if you have any Choice dollars to contribute. You can do so by calling 1-800-847-4836. When prompted, say "Thrivent Choice" and when next prompted say "Choice Dollars".

Mark your calendar now for the Annual McLean County Thrivent meeting! On Sunday, November 20, the annual meeting will be held at Shannon's Restaurant in Bloomington. Be informed about the projects, volunteer hours, and the latest on Thrivent Choice dollars by the McLean County Board while enjoying a great meal. There are several board positions available for the upcoming year so if you are interested in filling any of these positions, please contact Brenda Hendricks.

Church Directories

All of the church directories have been picked up, delivered, or mailed. There are still a few extra copies, if you are interested in purchasing one. They are \$5. See Annette Warsaw, Connie Warsaw, or Brenda Hendricks.

Church Work Thank You's

The apartment that the church rented for Vicar Scheck had to be cleaned upon his arrival in June and after his departure in August. The cleaners included Rick and Jill Hardesty, Don and Connie Warsaw, and Brenda Hendricks. The annual church cleaning was scheduled for September 14. The crew cleaned all of the wood in the church including the balcony, cleaned the annex, and washed the windows in the fellowship hall. This crew included Butch and Shirley Sprau, Bob and Diana Zimmerman, Steve Warsaw, Don and Connie Warsaw, and Brenda Hendricks. We thank all of these members for their time and efforts.

Hayride and Wiener Roast

The annual hayrack-ride and wiener roast will be on Sunday, October 27th. The hayride will begin at 4 PM, followed by the meal and fun-filled games. The church council will provide the drinks, meat, and buns. Please bring your own table service and 2 or more dishes to share.

Ladies Aid

The Ladies Aid will hold its monthly meeting on October 2nd in the Fellowship Hall at 1:30 p.m. Connie Warsaw will have the topic and Shirley Sprau will have the devotion and serve refreshments. Roll call will be answered with a verse on salvation. All ladies of the church are welcome.

The ladies will be meeting on October 2nd at 8 a.m. to make a few quilts and also clean out and organize the store room closet. There are many boxes of scrapes, etc. that need to be gone through. If they don't get done, another date may be set to finish.



Thank You

Thank you to Wilma Grussing and Debbie Lammle for visiting our shut-ins during the month of September.

Enjoy a Short Stack for a Tall Cause!

You're invited to an Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast to support LWML at Friendship Church of Joy. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

When: Saturday, October 26, 2013 8:00 AM-10:00 AM

Where: Applebee's Neighborhood Bar & Grill at 1209 N. Dunlap Ave., Savoy, IL.



Pastor Appreciation Day - October 13th

To Pastor McPike and Pastor Fienen:

You share God's love in a way that blesses hearts and changes lives.

You do it consistently and with passion.

It sets an example for all of us and reminds us of what it really means to be a follower of Christ.

We're thankful to have both of you here at Immanuel Osman! God's blessings to you both!

"I command you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

Acts 20:32

LWML News

The LWML met on September 11, 2013 with 13 members present. Brenda Hendricks, Terri Hooker, Debbie Lammle and Connie Warsaw did a power point presentation on their trip to the LWML National Convention held in Pittsburgh this summer. Thanks to Brenda for all her time and talent putting the presentation together. Correspondence was read from Vicar Dan Grimmer updating us on what is going on in his life. He is engaged and will be married next summer. Also a thank you from Vicar Jonathan Scheck was read.

LWML Sunday will be October 13th. Several members volunteered to help with the service that day, and it was decided to sing "Praise, Love, Serve" a song based on the LWML Pledge. Wilma Grussing and Barb Whitehouse-Gercken were appointed to the nominating committee. It was voted on to send LWR \$100 this year to help with shipping expenses on quilts.

Thanks to Marsha Warsaw and Connie Warsaw for being our hostesses and serving delicious pumpkin and apple desserts. Our next meeting will be December 12th and Joanne Nelson will be our topic leader and Debbie Martin and Shirley Sprau will be our hostesses

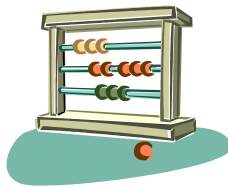
LWML Fall Retreat

Wilma Grussing, Debbie Lammle, Agnes Martinie, Shirley Sprau and Connie Warsaw attended the Danville Zone Fall Rally held at Good Shepherd, Hoopeston on September 19th. The speaker was Mrs. Katie Schuermann a Christian author from Sherman, IL. She had a beautiful message that we could all relate to. Congratulations to Debbie Lammle who was elected President for the Danville Zone for the next two years. In the afternoon session Rev. Steven Becker led the Bible study "Streaming with the Lord" which was the theme for the day. It was a beautiful day to be with your Christian sisters in the faith.

Besides the autumn poets sing,
A few prosaic day
A little this side of the snow
And that side of the haze...
Grant me, O Lord, a sunny mind,
Thy windy will to bear!
~ Emily Dickenson, "November"

Statistics

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Adult Class</u>
9/01	68	5	16
9/08	60	7	13
9/15	62	7	16
9/22	74	3	15
9/29	n/a	n/a	n/a



October Altar Guild

Debbie Martin



October Acolytes



OctoberHannah Duncan
 October 13.....Kenzie Delaney
 October 20.....Ryan McPike
 October 27.....Chase Zimmerman

October Birthdays

Tyler Duncan.....10-01
 Karen Brown.....10-01
 Bill Amdor.....10-03
 Jodi Stockle.....10-05
 Steve Martin.....10-07
 Eric Zimmerman.....10-08
 Dustin Peyton.....10-09
 John Gercken.....10-12
 Bill McCleary.....10-12
 Addison Warsaw.....10-12
 Rebecca Hendricks.....10-17
 Wiley Hasty.....10-17
 Julian Barrack.....10-19
 Jordan Bidner.....10-19
 Greg Johnson.....10-19
 Greg Warsaw.....10-22
 Pastor Jeff McPike.....10-24
 Katherine Masko.....10-28
 Erika Barrack.....10-29
 Julianna Gercken.....10-31



October Anniversaries

Cindy and David Masko.....10-05-1985
 Barb and John Gercken.....10-09-1982
 Deborah and Dennis Martin.....10-10-1981
 Barb and Steve Gaines.....10-14-1978
 Moneta and Bill McCleary.....10-19-1946



Elder Schedule

Marvin	Feb	June	Oct
Roy	March	July	Nov
Bill	April	August	Dec
Jim	May	Sept	Jan