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The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



Reverend Jeffrey McPike, BCC

Reverend Keffie Deen II

September 2014

I am the way, and the truth, and
the life. No one comes to the
Father except through Me.

John 14:6

Church Council Minutes

August 5, 2014

(Abridged Edition)

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

Secretary's minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer Bob Zimmerman reported the cash balance as \$60,797.96 as of the end of July. The mission giving project had already been approved at the last meeting. It was the Orphan Grain Train, specifically for Pilger, Nebraska. Bob reported that the Chief Bauer bill for the extra duct work was higher than what the voters approved at the July quarterly meeting. They approved the amount of \$650, but the bill totaled \$990. It was approved to pay the extra amount.

Pastor McPike explained that the financial agreement with Pastor Deen is the same as what we had for Pastor Fienen and Pastor Schmidt. It is \$800 a month and the mileage is included in this figure. He stated that Confirmation Class will begin on Sunday, September 14th during the Sunday School time. Deb Lammle will be teaching the class. Pastor will meet with them once a month after church in the hall. Pastor thanked all of the members who helped in any way with the summer vicar. He also thanked all of the volunteers for VBS.

Pastor had met with the Altar Guild. They have received \$2000 as a gift. They have decided to purchase purple altar cloths which cost about \$1300. They asked the council for money for an Advent banner and also they wanted the red altar cloths which is another \$1300. After some discussion, it was decided that memorial funds would be a possibility for these purchases.

Pastor discussed the Thanksgiving service.

Since neither he nor Pastor Deen will be available for Thanksgiving Eve service, he suggested a Sunday night before Thanksgiving service with a meal served before. The meal would be at 5:30 with the service at 7. More details about the meal will be provided by the social committee at a later date.

In old business, Chairman Hardesty thanked Jeff and Donnie Warsaw for removing the curtains under the balcony. He confirmed that the tuck pointing job has been completed. The council approved the final payment upon our approval of the job at \$11, 626.04. There are some extra bricks from the rebuilding of the columns that are being stored in the shed. He also discussed the completion of the duct work. The choir loft is much cooler. A discussion followed on how to make the duct work in the back of the church less obvious.

In new business, Pastor announced that the internet is working in the church. It is a 2-channel system – 1 private and 1 public. The internet will be carried to the hall by burying a cable under the driveway. Chairman Hardesty will mark the underground components before the trenching starts.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Hendricks

Church Council

**Church council will meet on Tuesday,
September 2, at 7 PM in the fellowship hall.**

LWML

The next LWML meeting will be held on Thursday, September 11th, at 7 PM in the fellowship hall. The topic will be given by Connie Warsaw. The hostesses will be Brenda Edwards and Debbie Martin. All ladies of the congregation are invited!

The Danville Zone LWML Fall Rally will be held on Thursday, September 18 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford, Illinois. Registration, coffee, and refreshments will be from 9 – 9:45 AM. The program will begin at 10AM. The cost for registration, rally materials, and lunch will be \$10 which is payable at the door. Please let Brenda Hendricks know by September 8th if you will be attending. The theme is “Live Forgiven”, “Live Forgiving” from Colossians 3:12a and 13b. The speaker will be Mr. Joel Moritz who will speak on his opportunities that the Lutheran Church Charities presents to him, especially the use of comfort dogs. The ingathering will benefit the Danville Veterans’ Administration Hospital and the Milford Food Pantry. Items need for the veterans are large to 4XL t-shirts, tube socks, 3-in-1 shampoo, conditioner, and body wash packages, double and triple edge one use razors, and hand and body lotions. Items needed for the food pantry are toilet paper, paper towels, canned fruit, laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo, and conditioner. If you wish to donate, please put items on the elder’s pew.

Quilting

The ladies will meet again on Thursday, September 4th at 8 AM to quilt. 100 quilts have been made so far this year to be given to Lutheran World Relief. They will be delivered to Gibson City at the end of October to be picked up to be taken to a warehouse. They will be distributed as the need arrives from these warehouses. They will be displayed on the back of the pews on LWML Sunday in October. The ladies also made a beautiful quilt that Diana Zimmerman presented to Vicar Kurt Cockran at his farewell service on Sunday, July 27.

Church Cleaning

The annual church cleaning has been scheduled for Saturday, September 13th starting at 8 AM. Men and women are encouraged to help brighten up our house of worship! Many hands make light work!

Fellowship Club

36 members and guests attended Fellowship Club held on August 17th. We celebrated the July, August, and September birthdays. After a light supper Erik Henriksen gave a great presentation on his experiences in the winter Olympics where he competed in speed skating. We were honored to have in attendance “Rosco”, his coach. His table display of his suits, skates, pictures with US Presidents, banners, and an Olympic torch added to the excitement of the evening. Thank you to Connie and Donnie Warsaw and Brenda Hendricks for planning the evening and making the supper and homemade ice cream. Thanks to Jill and Rick Hardesty and Barb Whitehouse-Gercken for providing extra desserts. Also thanks to Annette Warsaw and Pastor McPike for technical support for the videos.

Thrivent News

There will be a short Thrivent meeting after church on Sept. 14th in the Annex to discuss doing another benefit.

We had 11 members attend the Brat Fest on August 24th. Thanks to Brenda Hendricks, Dwight and Terri Hooker, Shirley Sprau and Don Warsaw for working in the serving line.

There are lots of changes coming to Thrivent. There will be a 35% reduction in the amount our chapter will receive for Care Abounds in Communities. There will be a new program called Thrivent Action Team and we'll be learning more about how that works.

The annual meeting will be Nov. 9th at Shannon's in Bloomington, so mark your calendars to attend. It might be the last one.

New Confirmands!

Pastor McPike will meet with the new confirmands and their parents on September 7th after church. Confirmation Classes, led by Debbie Lammle, will then begin on September 14th in the Pastor’s office at 8:30am.

Wedding Bells!

Ryan Lammle, son of John and Debbie Lammle, will be wed to Sandra Noreiga of Elgin, IL. on September 5th at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Rockford, IL. After the honeymoon, the couple will reside in Plano, IL. God’s blessings to the new couple!

Ladies Aid Luncheon

The Ladies Aid and their guests met at 12 noon on Wednesday, August 6, 2014 for their annual luncheon. This year's event was held in Fairbury at the Lost in Time restaurant. After enjoying a nice lunch and some great fellowship, some of the group browsed in the numerous antique shops.



Annual Church Picnic

Seventy-one members of Immanuel Osman attended the annual church picnic at the Bellflower Pavilion on August 10th. After the church service, a delicious meal was enjoyed by all. Ice cream from the Sidney Dairy Bar topped off the meal. The adults played Bingo and the kids enjoyed the water balloon toss, the spoon relay and the "Toss the Cheetos" game. Don't miss the next church cookout - the Hayride and Wiener Roast planned for Sunday, September 28th!



THANK YOU!

During the last few weeks several work projects have been completed at the church, and we have several members we need to thank for volunteering their time. Dick Johnson and Don Warsaw completed the new window in the Annex. In the future a stain glass window will be installed. Pastor McPike and Bob Zimmerman worked several hours installing the internet inside the church. Jeff Warsaw rented a trencher and he and Don Warsaw dug the trench to take the internet over to the hall. Three lines had to be run through conduit. This will provide availability of live streaming from church over to the hall. Pastor took another half day off to run the internet over to the hall. Those assisting were Bob Zimmerman, Don & Jeff Warsaw, and Rick Hardesty. Pastor provided internet equipment and wire and Nick Haggin also provided enough wiring to run from the church to the hall. The internet has already been used for Eric Henriksen's presentation at Fellowship Club. Jeff and Don Warsaw also trimmed all the shrubs at the church. We are so blessed to have members who donate their time and talents to help our church.

Choir Practice!

Choir Practice will resume on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

Statistics

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Adult Class</u>
8/03	57	5	14
8/10	71	Church	Picnic
8/17	61	7	14
8/24	59	n/a	n/a
8/31	n/a	n/a	n/a

September Altar Guild

Jill Hardesty

September Birthdays

Darryl Redding.....	09-05
Jim Poppe.....	09-06
Mark Barrack.....	09-07
Ken Whitehouse.....	09-12
Gene Welborn.....	09-14
Stephanie Gaines.....	09-17
Marge Morrissey.....	09-20
Ryan Peyton.....	09-21
Mitchell Gallier.....	09-23
Rob Gallier.....	09-24
Sara McPike.....	09-24
Arnita Zimmerman.....	09-25
Scott Gercken.....	09-26



September Anniversaries

Kris and Shaun Zimmerman.....	09-02-2011
Sue and Jim VanWakeman.....	09-13-1969
Esther and Larry Lutz.....	09-18-1965
Brenda and David Peyton.....	09-26-1996

Happy Anniversary!

Elder Schedule

Bill	April	July	Oct
Jim	May	Sept	Jan
Steve	Feb	August	Nov
Neil	March	June	Dec