

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 19, 2009**

**12:00 PM Lighting Christ's Candle
Opening Prayer**

Present: Bill Kimberling, Greg Mallory, George McKinney, Rebecca Tinder, Emma Wilson, Judith Judy, Fritz Christ, Sally Blessing

Absent: John Rawlins, Vicky Grate, Pastor Smith, Rick Wolford, Virginia Cobbs

Committee Reports:

TY & Christian Ed: Nine youth are going to the Gathering in New Orleans and four chaperones. The youth will be having a lock-in during August. The possibility of the youth having a youth service during regular service times is still being examined.

Property: A very special thank you goes to Clifford Yost for working hard to make the grounds look presentable for Bishop Hanson's visit.

Columbarium: Sherry Suppa asked that \$15,000 be taken from the Endowment Fund and put into Columbarium funds so construction can begin. There are ample funds in Memorial accounts sufficient to cover this. East End Historic district and Charleston Building Commission has to approve the revised plans. A motion was made by Judith Judy to ask Rick Wolford and Pastor Ron to approach relatives of the Memorial Fund account donors to raise funds up to \$20,000 for the first phase of construction. Greg Mallory volunteered to approach John Rollins and Sara Busse.

Evangelism: Sent by email - attached

Communication: Word is out to get everyone invited to hear Bishop Hansen next month. We need a head count for the dinner.

Social Ministry: No report. Flea market is scheduled for October.

Worship & Music: No report.

Finance & Stewardship: No report.

Pastor's Report: No report.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by George McKinney, 2nd Fritz Christ to approve the minutes of the June Council meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report & Budget: Reports sent by email and attached.

New Business:

Organ Note Committee: The Endowment Fund and Investment Board asked the council to establish a fund-raising committee to effectuate the reimbursement of the Endowment Funds used to pay off the note on the organ. Judith Judy made a

motion to have a 2nd offering during the "85 Minutes of Music" service as a fund raising effort. Emma Wilson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rebecca Tinder reported that a fair number of church attendees are not members of Trinity. A discussion followed on ways of inviting these people to become members. It was agreed that Pastor Ron call on each personally to see if they are interested.

St. Paul appreciated being invited to the July 12th service with Bishop Hanson. The council is interested in doing more things with St. Paul and will actively look for opportunities.

Old Business:

Directory – Olan Mills has a package for churches where families are given an 8x10 photo free and there are no charges for the printing of the directory to the church. The directories are free for church participants. Sally Blessing moved and Emma Wilson seconded that we proceed with this Olan Mills for an 85th Anniversary Directory. Motion passed.

George McKinney has not made any progress with reporting to the church from committees.

Retreat Ideas – council decided to wait to see if Pastor Ron returns with any new Retreat ideas from his sabbatical trip.

Meetings:

Committees will meet on August 2, 2009

Next Council will meet on August 9, 2009.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer