

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday November 2, 2009**

**5:30 PM Lighting Christ's Candle
Pastor opened with prayer.**

**Present: Bill Kimberling, Rebecca Tinder, Judith Judy, Sally Blessing, Emma Wilson, Greg Mallory, Pastor Ron, Rick Wolford, John Rawlins, Vicky Grate
Absent: Virginia Cobbs, George McKinney, Fritz Christ**

Committee Reports:

TYG & Christian Ed: Working on Christmas service and finishing the college packages

Property: The leaf raking is complete. Bill Kimberling is checking to see if the lawn was fertilized before the leaves fell.

Columbarium: The work on the Columbarium began today.

Evangelism: Tom Tinder has asked Charles Hurt to chair the committee. Charles is considering doing so.

Social Ministry: The committee is looking for ways to raise money to make up the difference in funds raised this year over last year toward the Christmas food baskets.

Worship & Music: Advent and Lenten services are planned. Small bottles of hand sanitizers will be placed in pews during this flu season.

Finance & Stewardship: No Report.

Pastor's Report: Attached. Bishop Dunkin will be here on the 17th of January for the church's second discussion on the church-wide decision made in August. Eddie and Eunice Burch are trying to get a \$7,000 grant from Community Lutheran Partners to help start up dinners for the hungry on Sunday nights.

Secretary's Report: Vicky Grate moved to accept the minutes and Judith Judy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report & Budget: Rick Wolford reviewed the proposed 2010 budget and noted that giving to date was 102% of projected budget for this year.

Old Business:

Approve agenda for Conversations on Churchwide Assembly vote – a short explanation of what the discussions might look like and what scriptures will be presented.

Reporting of Committees and/or Church Council to the Congregation – yet to be done.

Church Secretary Report – Amanda Blount is still proving herself to be our match. The church intends to continue to honor the contract with United Talent while Amanda works her propationary period.

Archivist Discussion – No report on this.

2010 Budget – The updated budget was handed out for approval. Greg Mallory moved to accept the budget. Bill Kimberling seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Columbarium Contracts – Contracts for Columbarium niches from Gaitha & Chuck Jones and their 2 parents, Joseph & Florence Heilman were presented for approval. Emma Wilson moved to accept Gaitha & Chuck upon receipt of payment. Greg Mallory seconded the motion. Motion passed. Vicky Grate made a motion granting Rebecca Tinder authority to sign the contracts. Emma Wilson seconded the motion. Motion passed. It was decided that all contracts must be signed to protect all parties and must be approved by council.

Nominating Committee recommendations for Annual Congregational Meeting - The following slate was presented to council – Vicky Grate, second term; Rebecca Tinder, second term; Valerian Kwigizile and Brenda Franklin.

Annual Congregational meeting agenda – A general discussion took place on how the agenda for the annual meeting would flow best.

It was announced that the executive committee will meet with Pastor Ron on November 9, Chuck Jones and Barbara Wright on December 6, Amanda Blount on December 7, and Karen Stouch on December 8 for an annual review.

Meetings:

Committees will meet on December 6, 2009

2010 Council Meeting (5 minute meeting) December 6, 2009

2009 Council Meeting: December 13, 2009

Closed with the Lord's Prayer