**Trinity Lutheran Church**  Council Meeting 7:00 Wednesday, January 10, 2024

Call to order-

President- Dan Klassen Vice-President- Josh Tonkin Secretary- Report- Kathy Wilkening Treasure- Nikki Smith

**Members Present:**  Kathy Wilkening Dan Klassen Josh Tonkin Cathy Sorenson Nikki Smith Ashley Parrish Judy Doble

Treasures Report-Nikki Smith Income for 2023 was $94,365.13 and expenses for 2023 were $92,044.90 and the budget for 2023 was estimated at $87,075. After reviewing the Expense account for January Cathy motioned to accept the treasurer's report and to pay the January expenses. Judy second.

Secretary Report-Kathy Wilkening It was noted that $1960 more money has come back for pledges. Total of $87.540 for pledges for 2024. Nikki motioned to accept the secretary report with update and Cathy second.

Stewardship- None

Lay Ministry/Evangelism-Judy Doble Discussion on reducing the cards mailed. Council thought that the young and the older members as well as the sick and shut-ins should receive the cards. Judy will bring it back to the card committee for further review.

Church Properties- Dan Klassen Discussion on pest control. Don and Kathy Wilkening will set and maintain mouse traps throughout the church. The council will discontinue Plunkett Pest Control.

Christian Ed/GIFT- Nikki Smith and Ashley Parrish GIFT was held December 6, 20, and January 3rd. Average attendance was 40 youth. The Christmas program and spaghetti supper went well and served about 80 meals. Thank you to all who helped. December 12 Nikki and Ashley delivered 75 gifts to Sioux Falls Ronald McDonald house as well as the Sanford Children’s Hospital. The youth are going to present a talent contest next GIFT to showcase the gifts God has given them. Upcoming events are to purchase gifts for Easter baskets to again be delivered to the Ronald McDonald House.

Youth-Ashley Parrish January 28 plan to meet and make decorated cookies to be delivered to shut-ins. Plan to deliver Easter baskets to Ronal McDonald house and to cook and serve a meal for the guest. Palm Sunday is Confirmation.

Worship-Cathy Sorenson Will meet with the pastor to plan for Lenten services. Decide on ushers, readers, communion servers and dates.

Pastor’s Report-Dan Klassen Pastor Carol had one funeral, home visits, assisted living/memory care, hospital visit, cards, phone calls, emails and office visits. Planning future services. Adult Education on January 14 will be Pastor Gretchen Bachman on Green Lake Bible Camp. Palm Sunday will have 5 confirmands with a faith statement and verse. Thank you for all the support through Jon’s recovery. Pastor would like Trinity to keep the call list for a new pastor active. Pastor would like more youth from our area to go to Green Lake Bible Camp as well as more than one acolyte.

Old Business: None

New Business: Cathy motioned to have Josh Tonkin and Nikki Smith on the Trinity checking account and Judy second. Yvonne Noorlun is working on the Job Committee Description. Brenda will be presenting a power-point presentation at the annual meeting about QR codes and our giving app.

Annual meeting is January 21 immediately after a short worship service. January 28 installation of new Leadership for 2024

Cathy motioned to adjourn at 8:10 and Nikki second.

Submitted by Secretary

Kathy Wilkening