

**Messiah Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes**  
**June 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Attendees:** Jim Thoreson, Bob Leis, Clayton Koss, Pastor Nancy Hanson, Cyndi Belanger, Harriett Elliott, Bob Follis, Cheryl Follis, Dede Maki, Linda Coleman  
**Absentees:** Keith Holm, Ginny Pedersen

**Guests:** Bill Luckenbill, Bill Kaufman, Kirk Simonovsky, and Nora Coleman

6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order by President Bob Leis

Pastor Nancy gave opening prayers. Council & guests shared highs & lows.

Opening Devotions with Pastor Nancy from Synod Assembly.

**Secretary's Report:** M/S/C

**Treasurer's Report:** \$-805.81 Workman's compensation paid & repairs at parsonage. M/S/C

**Pastor's Report:** Windows have been completed in the parsonage.

Church directory went well. People have the option of submitting a photo by the end of June if they want them included in the church directory.

Youth/VBS has been paid for.

Discussion regarding 9:00 a.m. church service: A few parishioners did not like it that Pastor Nancy left Messiah's worship before Holy Communion was done. Pastor Nancy left early to make sure she would get to Port Wing on time. People are also concerned for her safety that she is rushed for her service in Port Wing. It was felt that we should put this on hold and put it on the agenda for the July meeting.

**Worship Ministry:** No meeting

**Learning Ministry:** Changes to WWW were sent to families for next fall and the focus will be on Sunday school. VBS is on for June & a meeting will be held for June 18, 2014

**Support Ministry:** Some members were under the assumption that all the windows would be done in the parsonage, but only 13 windows were taken care of. The

Support Ministry will compile a list of renovations to the church & parsonage. This will be placed on the next agenda.

**Action Items:** None

**Old Business:** Heidi Cook is not interested in auditing the church books & Chris Haugen has not returned Cheryl's phone calls. Cheryl will make some more phone calls regarding the church audit.

Keith Holm is working on the Building Use Contract.

**New Business:**

Blessing of the Wheels to be done at the West End Beach on June 29, 2014 at the Chicken Dinner. M/S/C

Dave Kedrowski is interested in putting together a church cookbook. We will put this on the next agenda.

Dianne Heapy has made a request for the church council to support same gender unions and enter into the policy & procedures of the church. Discussion was held regarding the request. Council members shared their views. This brought about larger questions regarding policies & procedures throughout the church. Council is considering that we should develop policies & procedures of the church. Dianne, Linda, Bob L., Clayton K., & possibly Keith will draft/develop a policy & procedure regarding same sex marriages, so the council can vote on it, at an upcoming meeting.

Dianne Heapy also contacted the BART looking at the cost for a 2-3 hr. slotted time for Sunday mornings. She has not received any return phone calls.

Can agenda be sent via email prior to the meeting or placed on the website? Can the council members phone numbers & email addresses be placed on the website? Cyndi will email Keith with the proposal.

M/S/C to adjourn.

Submitted by

Cyndi Belanger