

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION COUNCIL OF
GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Meeting Held on February 17, 2014**

Members Present

Ron Fairchild, Rev. Martha Clementson, Rev. Kevin Clementson, Patt Patterson Jones, Donna Kent, Robert Lichtfuss, Don Ludwig, Donald Meyers, Carrie Oddis, Kathy Rehak, Michael Shipley, Johanna Monka, Rich Chaney, Linwood Van Horn

Members Absent

Kevin Dayhoff, Jan Mickey, Brian Sherfey

Opening of Meeting

Ron Fairchild, President of the council, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and also led devotions.

Meeting Agenda and Approval of Minutes

The agenda was adopted and the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 27, 2014 were approved as corrected.

President's Report

Ron thanked Linwood for assistance in the snow removal recently. Ardent folk has a real need for casseroles that can be frozen and then baked when needed. Ron read a letter from Don Myers in appreciation for registering him for candidacy for seminary.

Pastor's Report

The pastors shared with the council some of the photos of their recent trip to Israel. Several council members suggested that the pastors give the congregation the same opportunity to hear about their trip. Pastors will arrange something during the Sunday School hour.

Treasurer's Report

Don Ludwig, treasurer, shared the most recent financial reports with the council. The treasurer's report was then accepted to be forwarded to the Audit Committee.

Prayers of the Church

Prayers of the church were given by Bob Lichtfuss, Kathy Rehak and Pastor Martha.

Old Business

Don Meyers gave an update of the sanctuary repairs. He reported that the Executive Committee approved a total of \$5,000 for consultant work.

New Business

The Personnel Committee's handout included a status report as well as plans to be accomplished. This focused on interviews with staff members and also a list of which staff positions are in need of current job descriptions

Pastor Martha informed the council about delegates for the Carroll Lutheran Village's corporation. Currently Grace as a founding member is allocated six delegates and one for the pastor. Three congregation members have been identified and we will be looking for three more. Pastor Martha added that since Grace has two pastors, it was felt a change should be made for churches that have co-senior pastor positions for the pastors to have their delegate allocations increased accordingly. Since Ron Fairchild serves on the Board of Trustees and is chair of the Governance Committee he will raise the subject at the next meeting.

It was announced that the Heating/Air Conditioning system went up and needs to be replaced. A motion was brought forward and approved for approximately \$2400.

The Property Committee also indicated that the entire boiler system will need to be replaced in the near future. This was just a "heads up" to future need for funds.

Announcements

A faith formation meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2014 at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend and input is encouraged. Pastor Ed Kay, Assistant to the Bishop, will be conducting the presentation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Donna Kent, Council Secretary