January 2005 Voter's Meeting Minutes

Annual Meeting January 9, 2005

Chairman Nelson Torbeck called the meeting to order. Pastor Wohletz spoke concerning Isaiah 42 and being spiritual prisoners who were released by the death of Jesus Christ on the cross. He then led those present in prayer. The minutes were read and accepted as read. A motion to accept Mike Dokey as a communicant member and his daughter as a baptized member received a second and carried.

After giving his report, the Treasurer, Scott Torbeck, answered some questions regarding his report. The Auditors reported that the books were in order. A motion to accept both the Treasurer's and the Auditors' reports received a second and passed. The Elders complimented and thanked Dan Meyer for his service as an Elder. They also welcomed Eugene Schaal to the board and said that things were going well.

Pastor Wohletz passed out his report and stated that membership had remained the same. The Board of Education asked if the members still wanted a picnic. After some discussion, a motion to have the Church picnic on the first Sunday in June received a second and carried. The Trustees reported that they were going to replace the basement door and had the Church furnace checked and cleaned.

The Sunday School had nothing to report at this time. The Bible class is continuing a study on Conflict and encourages more to attend. The Finance men pointed out that they are running a little short on money. The Young People had nothing to report. There was no old business.

A motion to accept the recommendation of the Council for special collections received a second and passed. They are:

Ash Wednesday Ft. Wayne Seminary
Second Lenten Service Lutheran World Relief

Third Lenten Service St. Louis Seminary Fourth Lenten Service Lutherans for Life

Fifth Lenten Service Lutheran School for the Deaf at Jacksonville

Sixth Lenten Service St. Louis Seminary

Maundy Thursday Ft. Wayne Seminary

Easter Sunrise ServiceBethesda

The Chairman, Nelson Torbeck, passed out copies of the Constitution as presented by the Constitution Committee. There was a question regarding Article 20 of the original Constitution. Article 20 was deemed illegal under the state law of Illinois as advised by the lawyers of the Central Illinois District. There was also a question regarding the right of females to vote. The Chairman explained that no action would be taken regarding the Constitution until the April Quarterly meeting.

The minutes were read and the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Respectfully submitted,

F. Gale Meseke, Secretary