

Annual Meeting

January 15, 2012

Vice-Chairman Art Schukar called the meeting to order. Pastor Bruce opened by reading the Parable of the Wicked Servant, spoke on the meaning of forgiveness, and led those present in prayer. The minutes were read and accepted as read.

Pastor Bruce presented his annual Pastoral Report. A motion to accept Judy and Charles Wasmuth, Jami Berry, and Brendan Wasmuth as communicant transfers from Holy Cross, Vandalia, received a second and carried.

The Treasurer's reports, both quarterly and annual, were presented. The Financial Reviewers reported that the books are in order. A motion to accept the reports of the Treasurer and the Financial Reviewers received a second and passed. The Elders reported meeting regularly with the Pastor and that everything is going well.

The Youth Group had twenty-two (22) at their lock-in and has met several times for various activities. The Trustees reported that they will get the tree in front of the church topped. The Sunday School had no report at this time. The Bible Class reported that they meet every Sunday and have begun a new study of Ecclesiastes. The Financemen had no report, nor did the Sexton. There was no old business.

Pastor Bruce reported that he had received a letter from our organist Scott Gehrken. Scott would like to receive a mileage reimbursement. He plans to put the money into a fund to help maintain the old pipe organ. There was some discussion regarding paying mileage for all organists. A motion to raise the organist pay from \$45 to \$50 a service by February 1, 2012, to pay the Internal Revenue Service mileage rate to all organists, and to open an organ maintenance fund received a second and carried.

The Circuit Conference will be held in February, 2012. Bob Williams has volunteered to be the congregation's lay representative.

A motion to accept the recommendation of the Church Council in regard to 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	Lighthouse Pregnancy Center

Fifth Lenten Service

Lutheran School for the Deaf, Jacksonville

Sixth Lenten Service

District Deaf Ministry

Maundy Thursday Service

Christ Our Rock Lutheran School

Easter Service

Bethesda

After the reading and correction of the minutes, the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Gale Meseke, Secretary