

Augsburg Immanuel Lutheran Church

Quarterly Voters Meeting

January 13, 2019

Chairman Mo Schukar called the meeting to order. Pastor Frazee led all present in prayer.

Minutes from the October 21, 2018 voters meeting were printed in the church newsletter. There was no further discussion of the previous minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted, seconded, and approved.

Members:

Voting members: Abigail Rogers, JoAnn Givens, Lisa Wasmuth

Communicant members: Margaret Sumann

Transfers:

Transfer out: None

Transfer in: None

Releases: None

A motion was made to accept the new members, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The annual report was presented. As noted in the previous meeting, the church was on pace to lose \$40,000.00 in 2018. The ending loss was less than anticipated. The church had a deficit of over \$31,000.00 for 2018. While better than the original estimate, this is still not a good trend for the church. A motion was made to accept the report as presented, seconded, and approved.

Elders' Report:

Continue to meet with pastor on a monthly basis, and continue to work on improving attendance. Members are encouraged to contact the elders with questions they may have regarding the church.

The elders received voting information and a list of candidates for Synod and regional church offices. The elders recommended the following selections for those available offices:

Synod President: Matthew Harrison

Synod First Vice President: Peter Lange

Regional Vice President: Benjamin Ball and Jeff Robinson

A motion was made to accept the recommendations of the elders, seconded, and approved. The church recommendations were then submitted to the Synod.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor reported that things are going as usual. He has been visiting church members receiving medical treatments, and meeting with church elders on a regular basis.

LYF: No report.

Trustees' Report:

The bell rope has been replaced. Repairs were completed on the church furnace. There are still a few minor issues with the parsonage that need to be addressed.

Sunday School:

Sunday school is going well, we have great help, but we need more students.

Bible Class:

Bible class has started a new lesson program on Corinthians. All is going well, but like our Sunday school program, we would like more people to attend. Even if you think you know it all, come and join in the discussion. There is always something more to learn.

Finance Man: No report.

Sexton:

Work on water and sinking issues at the west end of the center section of the cemetery has been delayed due to winter weather. The repairs will be completed this spring.

Old Business:

Door collections for the Lutheran Care Center recliners and the military Bible sticks were successfully completed. The donations were greatly appreciated. Thank you all who supported these causes.

New Business:

No new business.

Special Collections:

The following special collections were submitted for the first quarter:

- Ash Wednesday – Fort Wayne Seminary
- 2nd Lenten – Bethesda
- 3rd Lenten – St. Louis Seminary
- 4th Lenten – Lighthouse Pregnancy Center
- 5th Lenten – Lutheran School for the Deaf, Jacksonville
- 6th Lenten – District Deaf Ministry
- Maundy Thursday – Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School

A motion was made to accept the special collections, seconded, and approved.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded, and approved. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Steven R. Hickerson