

The Eagle Extras

Loving, living, and serving faithfully – uniting God and our neighbors.

June 2017

Here are the approved minutes for the May council meeting as well as the congregational meeting that was held on May 21. We also have another article we felt it was important to include, but missed the regular Eagle. Hope you are all having a great summer!!

Summer Camp

Would you like to do something *adventurous, exciting, informative, relaxing, fun, rewarding, inspirational, motivating, entertaining* this summer? Consider going to a UCC camp session either at Pilgrim Center near Green Lake or Moon Beach near Eagle River. There is something for any age. A full listing is in the rack on the table as you enter the church or visit www.ucci.org. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet new people in a relaxing summer setting. Contact a council member if you would like help paying the registration fee.

Council Minutes: May 21, 2017

Meeting called to order at 11:02 a.m. Members present: Jamie Plate, Dale Hintz, Kelly Kress, Kelly Brown, Colleen Marx, and Pastor Mike. Kari Meyers and Fred Kubichka were absent. Kelly Brown made a motion to approve April's revised minutes. Colleen Marx seconded. Motion carried.

Finances Report:

Our April revenue is \$12,940.

Our April expenditures are \$9,818.

Our total equity, previously listed as general fund, balance as of April 30th, 2017 is \$81,425.

Our current balance is \$272,485.

Jamie Plate made a motion to accept the financial reports and April's bills. Colleen Marx seconded. Motion carried.

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Minister's Report:

Pastor provided a brief synopsis of his activities during mid-April to mid-May which included a baptism, communion, counseling, meetings, prayer, preaching, and numerous correspondences. Pastor also made nursing home, hospital, and home visits. Pastor taught 2 Confirmation Classes as well-they have finished for the summer and will begin again in mid September. We are averaging 82 people each Sunday and the average offering is \$2,032 each week. Pastor will be off 6/11/17 for the WI Conference Annual Meeting. Pastor is planning on having 2 new member classes-one on September 24, 2017 and the other on October 1, 2017. Classes will be after church. Pastor is also planning on a "New Member Sunday" on October 8, 2017.

Committee Reports:

- **Christian Ed/Music**-Sunday School is done for the summer. Some of the students got together to celebrate with some bowling on Saturday, May 20th at Pla-Mor Lanes. A lot of fun was had by all and a big thank you to Shirley for organizing.
- **Evangelism**-Flower pots will be going out after Memorial Day, with additional pots downtown.
- **Mission**-Karen Cmjela has volunteered to take over the Christmas House Walk. Please connect with Karen if you would like to help.
- **Property**-See congregational meeting minutes.
- **Stewardship**-No new news .
- **Membership**-The directories are available in the back of church for pick up. Those not picked up will be mailed.

Old news:

Greg Kubichka, from the Lions club of Chilton, approached Ebenezer regarding a winter fundraiser. The Lions Club is starting a Christmas light show at Hobart Park. This will be a drive-through holiday show that is choreographed to music. It will also include family entertainment and more at the nearby City Hall with a boy scout and girl scout bake sale and Santa. The light show will be made up of local nonprofit groups from our community. There will be a board of directors comprised of a member from each club. For the 1st year each club interested would be able to set-up 150 feet and advertise their club with a 2x3 sign. The Lions mission is to offer a quality, fun-filled event while helping stock shelves for food pantries throughout the county. The goal is to grow donations each year to help ease the burden of the local clubs and Calumet food bank. The event will be the 1st four Fridays and Saturdays of December. This would be only 8 days of December with set-up being the last weekend in November. They will be handing out a flyer of the park's progress, recipes for cooking, a child's coloring contest, advertisements, and coupons from local businesses at the end of the park tour. All profits will be *Cont. on pg 3.*

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divided out amongst the clubs that are participating. The goal, for the 1st year, is to have 10 clubs with 1500 feet of lights. Each club will be getting 1/2 page of free advertisement in the flyer that is handed out. If Ebenezer wishes to participate, we will need volunteers to help design and set up our display and to hand out flyers. We will only need to hand out flyers on one of the dates in December. Please let a council member know if you are interested in volunteering for this event.

The WI Conference Annual Meeting will be held June 9-11 in Green Lake. We are still in need of 2 delegates to attend.

An extra savings account was previously noted by Kelly Kress. The origin was not known. After talking with previous council members, Kelly was unable to find out the origin of the account. It was decided at our meeting that the account would be transferred to the General Fund.

New contracts/leases are being drawn up to be signed for Happy Hour and the Parsonage.

An anonymous donation has been received for a braille system-options are being looked into.

New Business:

Council meeting minutes may not always make it into the Eagle due to some of the council meetings being held at the end of the month. If this occurs, minutes will be approved by the counsel via email, and then forwarded to the congregation via email and printed. The printed copies will be available in the Narthex.

**The next council meeting will be held on Monday, June 12, 2017.

Kelly Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dale Hintz seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Council Secretary,
Jamie Plate

Spring Congregational Meeting

Meeting called to order 5/21/17 at 10:15. Quorum met as assembled members of the congregation were present.

Kelly Kress, church council president, presented to the congregation that anonymous donors have offered to purchase the house next door at 38 and 38A West Washington Street. The amount agreed upon by the seller and the donors will be donated to the church and the church will then purchase the property.

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The current owner's only stipulation is that the house be demolished or moved and not used as a rental.

Several quotes were obtained, but not all quotes included gravel to fill/cover the site of the demolished/removed house. Quotes ranged from \$11,861 to \$21,135.

It was recommended by all excavators that an asbestos inspection be done prior to demolition of the house. A visual inspection was done and no asbestos was noted, but a damage/destructive inspection was still needed. A quote for an asbestos inspection was a base fee of \$275 plus a \$15 per sample. If asbestos is found, the quote for testing was \$65 per sample and \$5,000 to \$5,500 (on the high side) for damage testing. Removal would be higher. Worst case, prior to siding, would be \$10,000-\$12,000.

Discussion on the future of the lot was discussed and Kelly Kress noted that no blacktop could be done for a couple of years, due to the ground and gravel will need to settle. It was also noted that the future of the land was for a parking lot, but grassy areas were an option as well. Kelly stated that we can add the excavating, paving, and landscaping to the "wish list". A question on moving the house rather than tearing down was asked and no quote was available, but would be considered and looked into.

Kelly Kress asked permission from the congregation to proceed with purchase of 38 and 38A West Washington Street.

A motion to vote on moving forward with donors to purchase and tear down, or move, 38 and 38A West Washington Street was made by Ann Gasch. Joan Woelfel seconded. Motion carried.

A vote was done and 38 votes to proceed and 7 to not proceed were counted.

A motion to accept the votes and proceed with the purchase and tear down, or move, 38 and 38A West Washington Street was made by Elaine Hessil. Colleen Marx seconded. Motion carried.

The three Christmas worship services were discussed to get the thoughts about eliminating one service due to low attendance. No final decision was made. Council members would like to have members let them know their preferences

Congregational meeting adjourned at 10:46 am.

Council Secretary,
Jamie Plate