

First Lutheran Church Council Minutes
March 12, 2012

Members Present: Sue Ayers, Brett Koss, Mike Luvera, Jim Ayers, Bev Gruber, Timothy Hurson, Alice Wanless, Debbie Butler

Members Absent: Shirley Fischer, Dewey Keith

Others Present: Pastor Dennis, Carla Bergman, Edna Madsen

Devotions given by Brett Koss

Minutes from February 13, 2012 council meeting approved.

Officer and Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report – Budget report distributed. Possible expense for South Property from water damage. Insurance coverage being determined.

Staff and Ministry Reports

Pastor Dennis – Mary Johnson, Bill Moran and Pastor Dennis will attend the Synod Assembly in Wenatchee April 27-29 and Joe Johnson will preach on Sun. Apr. 29. Pastor Dennis will attend PLU's Theological Conference June 18-20 on "Spiritual Formation in the Home". Requested executive committee considers designating Lenten service offering for ELCA Malaria Initiative. Letter received from Synod, asking all congregations to identify someone from congregation to serve as "Mission Interpreter", a person who loves to tell stories of how God is working in our congregation through various ministries. Training will be provided at Central Lutheran in Yakima. Council asked to identify person from FLC.

Worship and Music – Tim Hurson will call for readers and greeters for April. Decision made to try to schedule Heavenly Harps for August 19, 2012. April 29 will be Youth Service.

Property Management – Trying to recruit committee members. FLC passed fire inspection. Checking into repairing pews with broken brackets.

Outreach – Bread for the World emphasis on Apr. 15 & 22 with offering of letters on 4/22. Compassion Sunday will be April 29.

Congregational Life – Potluck in May at end of Sunday School. Bev assuming responsibility for card ministry.

Education – Recruiting members. There are currently three Sunday school classes. Bible Adventures attendance can be 15-20 children, so are establishing behavior standards and use of lanyards for name tags. Rise and Shine older class almost full and younger class still has room.

Ministry Associate - Carla approached by preschool mother about Girl Scout troop meeting at FLC on 1st and 3rd Thurs. from 5:30-7:00. Motion made, seconded and approved to allow Girl Scouts to meet here. Sue Ayers and Mike Luvera will design a flier to post regarding parking instructions for that busy time. Red Cross has requested meeting at FLC in August. Thrivent is providing Easter breakfast food. Carla is the Thrivent representative and will make purchases.

Youth - Poster for March and April dates and activities. Youth setting up Easter Breakfast on 4/7 and hosting the Easter Egg Hunt on Easter morning. On 4/29 there will be a Youth-led worship with Joe Johnson.

Stewardship – No report for February. Pastor Dennis requested to meet with committee before summer for planning.

New Business

Synod request for Mission Plan development. Copy of worksheet given to council members with request to take home to work on and bring to the next council meeting.

Discussion of how to challenge congregation to help with ministries: announce meetings, announce projects being worked on, invitation, and have regular meetings.

Minutes will be posted on FLC website after approved by council.

Next Meeting: April 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Devotions: Bev Gruber/Mike Luvera

Meeting adjourned.