

## Congregation Council News

September 11, 2008 Meeting

- The minutes of the August 14 meeting were approved.
- Treasurer distributed the June through August 2008 financial report, which was approved.
- Gross income and expenses were both slightly higher than budgeted, but net income remains positive.
- The Treasurer is trying to set up time with the Little Lamb's Business Manager to discuss working together on a process for payment of church invoices.
- The new sign requires 30 days production time. Trustees are waiting for an updated estimate. There is a 3% discount for full payment when ordering.
- The President is in regular contact with the local ELCA Synod representative regarding potential Pastor candidates. The position has been opened up to part-time candidates. There may be two parties interested.
- The Stewardship Board gave a report on their activities including plans for the fall campaign. Campaign includes a 4-week plan of presentations and mailings of professionally printed post cards.
- Constitution Review Committee met prior to the Congregation Council meeting and reported going through the By-Laws one chapter at a time to formulate their recommendations. They are almost at the halfway point.
- Public Relations gave a report on their activities over the last year. Highlights were: increased ad sizes, new website, new Trumpet features coming this fall, and plans for a pamphlet and visitor's package.
- Request for increase in Web server capacity at \$370.00 per year was approved.
- Church records have been located and inventoried, but need to be stored in one central location. The former Sunday School Superintendent's office may be the only suitable space.
- Rev. Breum's contract expires September 30. Congregation Council voted to allow her contract to be automatically renewed each month. However, contract status will remain on the agenda for review each month.
- Calendar updates include September 27 Trinity Fellowship Dinner at 6:00 p.m. to welcome new members, September 28 Blessing of the Animals, October 18 Camp Fire. The November soup supper plans are underway.

Respectfully Submitted by Victoria Siegfried-Wilke