**Trinity Lutheran Church**

**September 12, 2018**

**Present:** Clayton Duncanson, Nikki Smith, Yvonne Noorlun, Duane Heckman, Britta and Grant Hartman, Barb Mager, Laurie Wille, Pastor Krista, Dave and Cathy Sorenson

Yvonne called the meeting to order.  Barb made the motion and Britta the second to accept the secretary's report.  Motion carried.  Clayton presented the treasurer's report.  We again fell behind in our giving in August.  We were behind $3275 and Clayton had to take $8000 out of a savings account to pay the bills.  Cathy made the motion to accept the report and Grant made the second.  Motion carried.  Yvonne had a check from Thrivent Choice Dollars for $450.

**Board reports:**

**Stewardship:** The committee will be meeting in the next few weeks to get organized for the fall Pony Express project.  Other ideas on how to increase participation are welcome.

**Lay Ministry:** Nothing new to report but Laurie enjoyed the first day of Wednesday School/GIFT.

**Church Properties:** Duane has put up 4 handicapped parking signs and a reserved sign for Pastor Krista.  He will be contacting the American Pest Control company to get rid of the bats in the church.

Cathy made the motion and Nikki made the second to get this done as soon as possible.  Motion carried.  WELCA has volunteered to pay the $700 bill.  A HUGE thank you to this hard-working group.

**Christian Education:** There were over 25 students and over 10 volunteer helpers (in addition to Pastor Krista, Nikki, Kim and Laurie) that came to the first Wednesday School/GIFT.  It was a great afternoon.  Volunteers will be needed to help with the food.  That many kids eat A LOT.  We anticipate the numbers will grow.

**Youth:** There will be a "newbie night" on Sunday, September 16 to welcome the 7th graders to League.  They will be making plans to host the election supper in November.

**Worship:** The polka service will be held on October 7 at 8:30 AM.  WELCA will be serving a brunch after the service.  Division A will be in charge.  Trinity has hosted this service for 12 years.  There has been declining attendance and the worship board is asking for input into whether we should continue to have the service.  Please talk to Barb Mager, Pam, or Yvonne with your opinion.

**Pastor Krista:** Josh and Heather Tonkin will be talking about their trip to South Africa during the service on September 23.  The Servant Leadership Camp and VBS went very well.  Pastor asked for another storage cart to help facilitate the activities during GIFT.  Grant made the motion to order one and Barb made the second.  Motion carried.  The cart will be paid with Sunday School funds.

**Old business:**

All agreed that God's Work-Our Hands Sunday went well.  We are very grateful for the many adults and the

6 kids who worked very hard trimming trees, picking up sticks and garbage, etc.  Truman Senior Living was thrilled with the work done at that facility.  The group who stayed at the church packaged 100 bags for the Ronald McDonald House.  Thanks to all of you.

**New business:**

* A new bulletin board has been ordered for the youth activities.  Darrell and Janice Buhmann are giving this in memory of their daughter Roxane Engel.
* Laurie made the motion and Dave the second that we send a plant for the funeral of Eleanor Lubitz.  Motion carried.  Eleanor was a charter member of Trinity and always proud of her membership.
* Trinity will be hosting a tailgating party before the football game on October 12.  Volunteer to help!
* Reformation Sunday, First Communion and 2nd grade Bible presentation will be on October 28.

Britta made the motion to adjourn and Laurie made the second.

Cathy Sorenson

secretary