

## 2012 ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**DATE :** 09-JAN-2012

**Meeting called to order by:** Past-President Andrew Banks

**Devotions:** Buddy Newman

**Election of Officers:** President-Buddy Newman, Vice President-Lori Taylor, Secretary-Sally Jenkins, Treasurer-Bill Agee, Archivist-Becky Roberts

**Members Present:** Taylor, Wangerin, Jenkins, Newman, Smith, Kelley, Boynton, Reiter, Janney, Wood, Rittershofer, Michener, Bartlett, Arensberg, Murphy

**Members Absent:** None

**Minutes:** December minutes accepted as presented (Newman/Taylor)

**Financial Report:** Bill Agee was present to give the council a brief explanation of the financial report. Accepted as presented (Taylor/Wood)

Bill also reviewed St. John's webpage and asked for any ideas to improve. He noted that there was an average of approximately 163 hits per day with an average length of approximately 6 minutes.

### **Pastor's Report:**

**Visits to Members:** 9

**Visits to Shut-ins (Communion):** 7

**Hospital Visits to Members:** 11

**Prospective Member Visits:** 2

**Counseling Appointments:** 2 (3 family)

**Funerals:** 22-DEC – Grace Marie Hill with burial at Rosedale; 23-DEC – Dona Sherry Smallwood Ashton, a graveside service was held in Rosedale.

**Baptisms:** 04-DEC – Brianna Jo-Lee Bailey in St. John's. Brianna is the daughter of our member Jodi Renee Jones Bailey and the great granddaughter of our former members Harry and Eva Shade.

**Weddings:** 03-DEC – Melinda Rene Thatcher and James Michael Esswein at St. John's

**New Members:** None

**Other Business:** Reminder; the Mitten Tree in Luther Hall will run through the month of January. All gifts will be sent to Ramer School for distribution.

Church Council Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, 28-JAN at the home of Brad Coffinberger. The meeting will begin at 9AM with a light breakfast and conclude with lunch around Noon.

Annual Reports Due. The due date is 22-JAN. Reports are requested from presidents of organizations, committee chairpersons, treasurers, the Sunday School secretary and the Pastor.

The Bishop of our Synod will be visiting 15-JAN at both services.

Frank Rittershofer joined the Council to serve until the next congregational election of Council members at the end of November 2012. He is completing the final one year of Mary Nicole Rigot's term.

**Luther Hall Requests:** None

**Committee Reports:** Each Council member signed up for at least two committees

**Christian Education** – None

**Evangelism** – Committee (Banks, Reiter, Wangerin and Roberts) to meet in 1-2 weeks on use of the endowment. Hope to finish this project by end of first quarter.

**Social Ministry** – Friends Feeding Friends served 76 people (100 meals with 20 carryouts) in December; date for Friends Feeding Friends in January will be the 28th.

Paul Wangerin noted that a member from Community Lutheran Partners would be available to speak to Social Ministry if invited.

**Worship & Music** – None.

**Memorial** –In 2011 SCRIP earned \$2120.18. This program has been able to help many projects in the past including flooring for several Sunday School/Mustard Seed rooms, air conditioning, and other property repairs.

**Property** – The seeking of a contractor to do plaster work is on-going. Buddy Newman asked for volunteers to help clean out basement and help store necessary items in shed, set for 21-JAN. Junk will need to be hauled away or will rent a dumpster. Handicap signs placed in front of the 2 handicap parking spots in the parking lot appear to be working.

**FLYTE** –Game night scheduled for 15-JAN. Plans to sponsor Souper Bowl Sunday are being reviewed. Also looking ahead to help with Easter Sunday breakfast.

**Mutual Ministry** - None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Retreat date for Council set for 28-JAN.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

With no further business, the congregational council adjourned (Taylor/Kelley) followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Jenkins