

2011 ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE : 07-NOV-2011

Meeting called to order by: President Andrew Banks

Devotions: Lori Taylor

Members Present: Banks, Roberts, Taylor, Wangerin, Jenkins, Newman, Smith, Kelley, Boynton, Reiter, Janney

Members Absent: Gillet, Wood, Ruth, Bennett

Minutes: October minutes accepted as presented (Taylor\Kelley); Stewardship meeting minutes accepted as presented (Newman\ Taylor)

Financial Report: Accepted as presented (Roberts\Newman)

Pastor's Report:

Visits to Members: 12

Visits to Shut-ins (Communion): 3

Hospital Visits to Members: 8

Prospective Member Visits: 2

Counseling Appointments: 6 (3 families)

Funerals: None

Baptisms: 2, 09-OCT – Isabelle Ruth White daughter of Erica Louise Klein White and Richard Lee White; 30-OCT – Addison May Janney daughter of Allison May Torbert Janney and Michael Wade Janney

Weddings: 2; 08-OCT – Jay Arthur Weinrich and Alicia Lee Stavros in Woodbine Maryland; 29-OCT – Edward Andrew Cole and Alissa Joy Dalgewicz in Baltimore, Maryland

New Members: 23-OCT - James Patrick Nutter and Karen Sue Thornton by Affirmation of Baptism. Jamie is executive chef at McDaniel College in Westminster MD and Karen is a dental assistant at Kool Smiles in Winchester, VA.

23-OCT - William Alex Torbert by Letter of Transfer from St. Matthew Lutheran Church in BelAir MD. Alex is an academic advisor at American Public University in Manassas, VA.

Other Business: 10-DEC – Our choir director requests the use of the church to hold a piano recital for 10 students at 4:00pm. Use accepted (Newman\Reiter). This is also the day of Mindy Thatcher's marriage which will take place at noon.

Confirmation classes have begun. Two 9th grade students: Matthew Hasselman and Harrison Banks. Five 8th grade students: John Boswell, Miranda McQuaid, Erin Fleming, Helen Davis and Shepherd Snyder.

Gutter Report: The work on the neighboring property has been completed.

Luther Hall Requests: None

Committee Reports:

Christian Education – Christmas play practices are on-going. A rewards program began the first week of November; if a child attends four Sunday school classes in a row they will receive a reward.

Evangelism – Reviewed letter composed by Andrew Banks titled “An Invitation to a Conversation” that will be sent to congregation members for deciding how to use the endowment. Plans included an open meeting and focus groups of 4-5 people exchanging ideas. Will need background information on budget uses.

Lori Taylor presented the Church brochure for final review. Some minor changes/additions were discussed. Will order 1000 brochures at approximately \$286.

Social Ministry – Friends Feeding Friends served 62 people in October; Date for Friends Feeding Friends in November will be the 19th. Pie Social scheduled for 20-NOV.

Worship & Music – Contata scheduled for 18-DEC.

Memorial –From 11-OCT to 07-NOV SCRIP has earned \$236.50, year to date is \$1649.55. Buffalo Wild Wings has joined SCRIP.

Property – As noted in Pastor’s report, gutter has been fixed. Narthexes will not be fixed until early next year. Plan to soon clean the basement and start using the shed for storage.

FLYTE –Calendars are selling well; have 20 calendars left from second box. Planning a game night.

Mutual Ministry - Assistant/Recording Treasurer reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Letter from the Cottrils addressing their concerns for scholarship funding was read to the council by Andrew Banks. The free will offering for the Pie Social will be used for the scholarship. There is currently \$700 in the fund. Motion was made that the Council will assure at least \$500 for the scholarship. (Wangerin/Roberts)

In lieu of poinsettia money sale was designated for Friends Feeding Friends (Taylor/Kelley)

Election for five new/reelected council board members and a trustee is scheduled for end of November. Nominating committee has 7 persons interested in serving for council and 2 persons for trustee; are still seeking other interested individuals.

WRNR radio spots (6 starting approximately 10 days before Thanksgiving and 6 approximately 10 days before Christmas) advertising the Christmas schedule for \$231 was addressed and approved. (Roberts/Wangerin)

With no further business, the congregational council adjourned (Roberts/Newman) followed by the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Jenkins