

CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church – Milton, Pennsylvania
October 5, 2010 - 6:30 p.m.

Council Members:

<u>Class of 2010</u>	<u>Class of 2011</u>	<u>Class of 2012</u>	
Stephanie Byers	Kay Dunn	Don Fisher	Rose Deaner, Interim Treasurer
Donna Spear	Stephen Moll	Roger Watts	Ruth Greenly, Financial
Tim Walsh	Nancy Walters	Barry Yeager	Secretary
			Pastor Pat Pittsnogle

Our Mission:

We are called by God to follow Christ's example and teachings
through worshiping, witnessing, learning,
supporting one another, and reaching out to others.

WE ARE CALLED BY GOD

The meeting began with reading of the mission statement, lighting of the candle, and prayer.

In attendance: Council members Stephanie Byers, Kay Dunn, Don Fisher, Ruth Greenly, Stephen Moll, Pastor Pat Pittsnogle, Donna Spear, Tim Walsh, Nancy Walters, Roger Watts, Barry Yeager. Rose Bolich was also in attendance. Excused from this meeting: Rose Deaner.

TO FOLLOW CHRIST'S EXAMPLE AND TEACHINGS

Devotions were given by Pastor Pat. Joys and concerns were shared.

THROUGH WORSHIPING

Kay Dunn will lead the November devotions.

Worship and Music Report: Did not meet in September. The next meeting is October 25 at 7:00 p.m. The organ recital is scheduled for November 7 at 2:30 p.m.

The Pastor's Report for September were reviewed and accepted via email. Don & Tiara Shipe are considering membership at Christ Church and request approval. Nancy Walters moved that we accept Don & Tiara Shipe in membership. Barry Yeager seconded. All approved. A transformational ministry event with Beth Yenke may be a joint effort with other local congregations. Pastor Pat will be on vacation from October 6-23; ALWLs Rose Bolich, Kellie Brouse, and Ed Coup, will cover worship; Pastors Cheryl Berner and Erwin Roux will cover pastoral emergencies.

WITNESSING

Gerasene Team had its first meeting on Sunday, September 19. Participants shared how knowing Jesus has affected their lives. It was a very inspirational discussion; the next meeting is Sunday, October 24, at 9 a.m.

LEARNING

Christian Education: No Report.

SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

Minutes from the September 2010 council meeting were reviewed and approved via email.

Rose Deaner provided a treasurer's report for September 2010. Pastor Pat motioned to approve the September report subject to audit and Nancy Walters seconded. All approved.

Endowment Committee Report: There are currently four outstanding requests that are still being considered by the endowment committee. Roger Watts, Glenn Snyder, Steph Byers, Betty Morgan, Ed Coup are the current Endowment Committee members. Ed Coup will be finishing his term at the end of 2010. He is eligible to be re-elected to this committee. The opportunity for additional nominations for filling this position on the Endowment Committee will be announced and elections will take place at the November Congregational Meeting.

Property Report: Frank Hartzel, Jr. is no longer holding dance classes at our church.

Staff Support Report: Met October 3. A letter from the committee was presented stating their concerns about the reduction of salaries in the proposed 2011 budget for five staff personnel. A discussion ensued concerning our financial situation in that our weekly offerings are not meeting the day-to-day expenses of operating our church.

Finance Committee Report: Met September 28 at 6:30. It was determined that direct deposit is not a viable option due to our size.

Nominating Committee report: James Bartlett, Ed Coup, and Nancy Mensch have accepted the call to serve on Council beginning in January 2011. Nancy Walters motioned and Don Fisher seconded the new council possibilities. All approved. These members names will be on the agenda for final approval at the November 14 Congregational Council meeting.

AND REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

Social Ministry – there is a need for volunteers for food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas. We need baskets for five single adults; two families of four; one family of five; the meat will be provided by Social Ministry funding. Flowers for homebound members at Christmas will be an option as a gift on the poinsettia order form. We have 22 homebound recipients.

SENDING FOR MISSION

Pastor Pat offered prayers for special concerns. All participated in the Lord's Prayer and singing of the Doxology.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Agenda items for the November meeting are due by Sunday, October 31.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Spear, Secretary