

CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church – Milton, Pennsylvania  
September 7, 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: Stephanie Byers, Rose Deaner, Don Fisher, Ruth Greenly, Stephen Moll, Pastor Pat Pittsnogle, Donna Spear, Tim Walsh, Nancy Walters, Roger Watts, Barry Yeager. Excused from this meeting: Kay Dunn.

TO FOLLOW CHRIST'S EXAMPLE AND TEACHINGS

Devotions were given by Donna Spear. Joys and concerns were shared.

THROUGH WORSHIPING

Pastor Pat will lead the October devotions.

Worship and Music Report: Next meeting is September 20 at 7:00 p.m. Sunday School kick off is September 12 and will include Beth Yenchko from Synod. We will re-dedicate the refurbished marble baptismal font and dedicate a new linen Ida Snyder made for communion services. We will also recognize our confirmation students. The contemporary worship service is not something to replace our traditional worship. We will adopt a version of the service as used at Trinity which isn't greatly different from what we are used to, going to try out about once per month. There is an issue of licensing music and of course the money. An organ recital will be held on November 7.

The Pastor's Reports for August were reviewed and accepted via email. THANK YOU to Roger Watts and Tim Walsh for delivering the baptismal font! The 2009 ELCA congregational constitution amendments as well as the 2011 budget will be presented at the November congregational meeting.

WITNESSING

Gerasene Team will meeting on Sunday, September 19, during the Sunday School hour.

LEARNING

Christian Education: Nancy Mensch is serving as new chair. Bible Buddies begins September 17. Sunday evening Bible study begins September 19, at 7 p.m. – topic: "Lesser-Known People of the Bible." "One-room school house" model for younger Sunday School classes – teachers will share helping children of different ages. All will be together for the story of the day and use materials from "Living the Good News" which is a

lectionary-based material suitable for multi-age classrooms – published by Morehouse, an Episcopal Publishing Company w/ Lutheran resources.

#### SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

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

Rose Deaner provided a treasurer's report for August 2010. Don Fisher motioned to approve the August report with a change in the Average Weekly Offerings reported subject to audit and Nancy Walters seconded. All approved.

Endowment Committee Report: No report.

Property Report: Building Usage Task Force. Renting out our facility to outside organizations and individuals to make sure that we are covered with the proper insurance and liability considerations. This is still being formed.

Staff Support Report: No report. Will meet October 3 after worship service.

Finance Committee Report: Met on August 24 at 6:30. Direct Deposit – still working on details about having direct deposit for our paid employees. Progress of Thrivent research – Roger – still drilling through past transactions to determine how we will move forward with our investment accounts. Budget 2011. Council reworked the 2011 budget to \$139,905. Don Fisher recommended this budget. Steph Byers seconded.

#### AND REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

\$202 raised from Male Beauty Contest – will be used for outreach to the needy at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

#### 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 October meeting are due by Sunday, October 2.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Spear, Secretary