**Church Meeting - 4/9/19**

Pastor R began with the continuation of the series "But Why?." This session was about pre-marital cohabiting.

**Pastor’s Report:** Congregational additions and losses were discussed, as well as general congregational information.

**Principal's Report:** The school continues to operate within budget. Shatterproof film has been installed on the entryway doors. Bids for camera installation are being reviewed. The musical performance will take place on May 3rd. Other upcoming events are: Joint band concert at Luther on 4/14, St. John's confirmation on 4/14, Track meet at Luther on 4/23, and Christ confirmation on 4/28.

**School Board:** Quoting process is starting for replacement of the sign on highway 16. Shortly after school is done for the year, the pre-k classroom work will begin. The accreditation process is underway.

**Education:** New Sunday school teachers will be needed for next year (more than likely 2 people).

**Cemetery Report:** The cemetery committee is currently looking at ways to rewrite the by-laws. The new fencing held up well over the winter.

**Secretary's Report:** Report accepted as printed.

**Advanced Planning:** New Bibles will be out this summer and there is a sign up for a group purchase (~$20/Bible). We should look into carpet replacement in the next 3-5 years.

**Evangelism:** June Dairy Days is taking place from 5/31-6/2. VBS will be the week of July 22.

**Treasurer's Report:** Report for March 2019: income $50,520.61, expenses $38,484.90, giving a net gain of $8,438.14.

**Church Council**

**Old Business:** Motion passed to remove Jane Jensen.

The multi-purpose room/kitchen A/C was discussed. The current consensus is it is not worth putting A/C on the current furnace, so replacement quote is in-process.

Voter’s meeting is taking place on 4/7 after the second service.

Motion passed to include FICA taxes to Pastor’s salary. It is around 7.5%. Motion passed to use $6,570 from the undesignated memorial fund to pay off the memorial fund deficit. Motion passed to accept proposed budget with discussed changes at the voter’s meeting.

Motion Passed to use $10,000 for each called worker as a down-payment assistance loan if needed.

Using the existing bell tower fund to start the called worker moving fund was discussed. A survey for possible Easter service change for 2020 was also discussed.

Applications will be accepted through 3/22/19 for the Church secretary position.

**New Business:** Soft quotes for putting A/C in the kitchen/multi-purpose room are around $14k. The project is out for firm bids.

Katie Rasmussen is the new church secretary. Ruth is transitioning Katie into the role.

Automating the bell is being investigated. Removal of the crosses is taking place on 5/11 at 9am. If you are interested in helping, contact Randy Mathe.

Closed the meeting with prayer.