

## Consistory Meeting Minutes – April 21, 2014

- I. **Call To Order/Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Ron Rinehimer, President, at 6:33 pm. Candle was lit by Jill Bernetski and prayer was offered by Pastor Penny Dollar. Those attending were Pastor Penny Dollar, Nelson Horwath, Don Myers, Camille Daniels, Ron Rinehimer, Deb Dietrich, Kim Bernetski and Jill Bernetski.
- II. **Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the March 20, 2014 Consistory meeting were sent to members via email. All members received a copy prior to the meeting. Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Camille Daniels and seconded by Nelson Horwath to approve the March Consistory meeting minutes. Motion carried.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** The 3-31-14 Treasurer's Report was provided to members at the meeting. Overall totals for general, building and memorial funds were calculated correctly. A motion was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Camille Daniels to accept the March Treasurer's Report totals. Motion carried.
- IV. **Old Business:**
  1. **Fundraiser Hoagie Sale:** The hoagie sale went well; people seemed to like the choice between Italian and Turkey. The total profit from the sale was \$518.94. Thank you to all who helped!
  2. **300 Club:** The committee continues to meet on a monthly basis. The most important thing right now is to sell tickets.
  3. **Emergency Lights:** All emergency lighting has been replaced. An anonymous donor provided the funds necessary to complete this project. Thank you for your generosity! Also, thank you to Don Myers and Nelson Horwath for coordinating all the work with Ray Conrad.
  4. **Pavilion:** A power outlet and lights have been installed at the pavilion; a breaker box has been installed. Since there is now power running outside, it will now be possible to rent the pavilion. Power to the outside needs to be turned on through the breaker box inside the church. There is a lock on the breaker box; one set of keys will be kept in the utility closet and the other set of keys will be with Denise Dean, church secretary. The cost of this has been donated by an anonymous donor. Thank you for your generosity!
  5. **Well:** Don Myers and Nelson Horwath are working to schedule a time with Ron Myers to inspect the well system. There are two wells; the new well services the kitchen and the old well services the restrooms. The valves of the old well will be checked; also, the well system will be reviewed to determine if it is possible to feed one side of the well to the other.
  6. **Golf Tournament:** The contract has been signed; everything is set. The tournament will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$75 per golfer; the cost of just the dinner is \$35. It would be good to start advertising this. It should be included as a "save the date" in the newsletter and the weekly bulletin.
  7. **Fellowship Hall Ventilation:** An estimate was received from Conrad Electric to complete the necessary work; the total of the estimate is \$2,592. A schematic of the work to be done was provided. There will be fans underneath the floor to blow air in and out to control moisture. The first two weeks, the fans may possibly be running constantly as they work to draw all the moisture out; after that, they would run automatically as needed. Right now, the funds are not available to complete this project.
  8. **Memorial Bench:** The bench has been purchased and it is currently being stored in the church basement. The concrete will need to be poured prior to placing the bench outside; a walkway will also be poured. This may be done at the same time the path to the pavilion is poured. A vapor barrier will need to be placed with rocks over it prior to pouring the concrete. This should minimize cracks in the concrete. Since the shrubs are all grown over, it was suggested to pull out the current shrubs and just leave the rocks right now. This should be done soon prior to the shrubs blooming. It can then be determined what types of shrubs would work best in that area so that, as they mature, they won't become too overgrown. Once this is determined, maybe people would volunteer to donate money towards the purchase of the new shrubbery. All members of the consistory were in favor of removing all current shrubbery located along the walkway to the side entrance of the Fellowship Hall.
  9. **Turkey Supper:** All food items will need to be picked up; several volunteers are needed for this task. A schedule should be published in the bulletin as to when people will be working at the church prior to the supper. A sign-up sheet will be attached to a clip board and passed around during Sunday worship asking people to donate a cake and / or cupcakes; this would eliminate the need to call members. This will be done at least two Sundays prior to the supper.
  10. **Narthex Roof:** There is a leak in the roof of the Narthex; a contractor who repairs rubber roofs is needed. Ron will check with Rick Lane to see if he has any suggestions who to contact.
- V. **New Business:**
  1. **Pavilion Sidewalk:** The walkway to the pavilion should be completed soon. A tri-axle of stone and concrete have been donated. One bid of \$350 was received to pour the concrete; it was also suggested to have Butch Mylet submit a bid. Mesh or rebar will be needed prior to placing the concrete to minimize cracking. When the pavilion sidewalk is completed, the concrete slab will also be poured to place the memorial bench on. Solar lights will also be placed around the bench. The building team will handle this project.

2. Church Repairs: There are quite a few repairs that need to be completed in the church. One Sunday after the church service, members will walk around the church and make a list of what needs to be done. The list will then be posted and added to the bulletin. Members will be asked to pick a project and help to get the work completed.
3. Spring Clean-Up: The annual spring clean-up of the church will be held on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. The list that was developed during the walk through can also be used for small repairs.
4. Church Funds: The church is in need of money. The Memorial Fund has been almost completely used. Currently, approximately \$375 is received in interest on the Parsonage Fund; this money is used when it becomes available. The congregation needs to be informed of the situation. It may be necessary to take a mortgage out on the building. March is the worst month financially. Proceeds from the Turkey Supper will help; we should be ok until August when the next set of large bills will be due.
5. Carbon Monoxide Detectors: It was suggested that carbon monoxide detectors be purchased for the church – especially for the nursery.

#### **VI. Pastor's Report:**

1. Mission Team: After the Turkey Supper, there is a suggestion to donate money to a local family. Jen, who is heavily involved in Scouting, had a family member pass away in a car accident. It was her sister and she had small children. A benefit is being held to help the family so it would be a nice gesture to donate something to help the family out.
2. Mission Trip: A total of nine (9) members will be attending; the group will be traveling to Lakewood, NJ. The money for the trip comes from the Youth Fund.
3. Gestalt Pastor Care Conference: This was held in Pittsburgh; it was very informative.
4. Annual Meeting: The dates for the annual meeting are Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Friday's events will be held in Allentown and Saturday's events will be held in Northampton. The cost of the conference is \$40.
5. Men in Harmony: The concert will be held May 4<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be needed.
6. Vacation: Pastor will be on vacation the week of May 28<sup>th</sup>; she will be here for the Memorial Day service. She will not be here the first Sunday in June; Pastor Nazranni will preach that Sunday.
7. Yard Sale: Pastor has been approached by some members who would like to donate items to be sold at a yard sale. It was suggested to rent tables at a cost of \$15 each to anyone who would like to participate. Each person would then be responsible for their own items. This event will be held Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> from 8-12. Breakfast will be sold beginning at 7:30. Flyers will be needed; this should also be posted to the Facebook page. It would also be good to have signs at the Turkey Supper.
8. Anonymous Donation: Pastor has been approached by someone who would like to make a donation to the church. They would like to donate something that is needed, but something that can be seen. She is not sure about the amount the person is willing to donate. A few suggestions were new carpeting for the Fellowship Hall or a new Sound System.
9. Miscellaneous Items: Lynne Stewart was cleaning the basement of the church and compiled a list of items that she is not sure if they are still needed and/or used. If they are no longer needed, they can be sold at the yard sale.
10. Graduation Sunday: This will be held June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**VII. Communion Setup:** MAY: Jill

**VIII. Next Meeting:** Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 6:30 pm.

**IX. Adjourn:** Meeting was called to close by Ron Rinehimer at 8:13 pm.