

**CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**January 12, 2010**

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Pastor Holtan at 7:40 PM with the following Council Members present: Pastor Holtan, Scott Bjerke, Craig Johnson, David Geiszler, Duane Lysne, Jim Nordbeck, Cindy Hurt, and Lyn Arntson.  
ALSO PRESENT: Shirley Pauna and Randy Graham  
ABSENT: Kitty Krueger, Linda Mickelson, and Holley Arvig

**II. Devotions:** Cindy Hurt led the Council in devotions and prayer.

**III. Officers' Reports**

**Secretary's Report: Action:** *David Geiszler moved, Craig Johnson seconded the following: Be it resolved that the minutes from the December 8, 2009 Regular Meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously.*

**Treasurer's Report:** Randy Graham presented the treasurer's report as follows: The bills are paid! Expenses held.

	<b>Dec. Rev.</b>	<b>Dec. Exp</b>	<b>Dec. Balance</b>	<b>YTD Balance</b>
General Fund	\$50,552.06	\$34,113.57	\$ 16,438.49	\$ 437.68
Building Fund	\$10,277.84	\$5832.00	\$ 4445.84	\$1955.36

**Action:** *Duane Lysne moved, Jim Nordbeck seconded the following: Be it resolved that the Treasurer's Reports be approved. Motion passed unanimously.*

**IV. Committee Reports**

**Education-** In the process of recruiting new members. There is a need for nursery help two times per month. Also, reviewing the Christmas program for next year

**Personnel** – Evaluations are finished.

**Property** – Painting the narthex and office area; some concerns with the kitchen range, many pilot lights (around 19) and some that leak as well; we may need to get new ovens or ranges; snow on the roof – will watch as the weather warms.

**Social Ministry-** Pastor Holtan for Reg Hansen who is in FL. He is still in touch with the Stephan Ministries as many request help. There is an application submitted for recognition (an award) called 'Servant of Christ Award' through LSS.

**Stewardship** – Nothing to report.

**Worship-** There will be a separate meeting to discuss Wednesday night services.

**Evangelism –** Nothing to report.

**Youth & Family –** looking for new members. There will be blanket making this Sunday.

**President –** Kitty Krueger is on vacation this month. Pastor Holtan read the letter written by Kitty for discussion and direction. (see attached)

## V. Staff Reports

**Pastor Holtan –** complimented the congregation on accomplishing many good things in 2009.

**Office –** If any questions or concerns we are all encouraged to contact Shirley

## VI. Discussion Items

- A. **Evangelism Lake Visitation Project – Craig Johnson:** There is a brochure / door hanger being developed to use to distribute to resorts and the lakes area starting Memorial Day. The idea is to put these at the resorts, at the Perham chamber, on your neighbors door, wherever! The committee is open for suggestions.
- B. **Second Annual Meeting:** January 31<sup>st</sup> – The meeting in October 2009 was to approve the budget. This meeting is to look at the past budget and get the Treasurer's Report to the congregation. Discussion on how to use the overage (+\$437.68). All liked the idea of just leaving it in the checkbook to help during the next year. A council member will make this motion during the meeting.

## VII. Action Items

- A. **Fundraiser Requests:** *2 requests have been made: 1.) NW MN Synod has requested a special offering. A letter to the congregation regarding this request will be mailed out soon. 2.) The Education Committee asked for permission to set out offering coin boxes to collect money for "God's Global Barnyard" through the ELCA Hunger Appeal. Recommended to approve. **Action:** Jim Nordbeck moved, Duane Lysne seconded the motion to approve the NW MN Synod request. Motion carried. **Action:** Jim Nordbeck moved, Scott Bjerke seconded to approve the ELCA Hunger Appeal project. Motion carried.*
- B. **Approved Randy Graham as 2010 Treasurer:**  
**Action:** *Cindy Hurt moved, David Geiszler seconded the motion to approve Randy Graham as the Calvary Lutheran Church Treasurer for 2010. Motion carried.*

**C. Environmental Task Force:**

*Rob McNair was named as possible Chair for this task force. This task force would also include a youth member, plus someone from Otter Tail Power Company. Craig Johnson would be a consultant. Duane Lysne would also be on this task force. Discussion included recycling, looking at efficiencies, gas vs. electric, etc. The task force would last only 3 or so months. **Action:** Craig moved to start the task force to look at the church facilities and make recommendation. Jim Nordbeck seconded. The motion carried.*

**D. Gifts and Ministries Position:** *The position is approved and budgeted for. We just need to fill this now. The job description was reviewed.*

**Action:** *David Geiszler moved to hire for this position, Scott Bjerke seconded. Discussion: who is this person to report to? All agreed to this person should report to and be accountable to Pastor Holtan, adding "Stewardship and Evangelism" to the list of responsibilities. Motion carried with clarifications.*

**VIII. LORD'S PRAYER**

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM and the Council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Lyn Arntson