



## Springs of Grace Lutheran Church

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### Congregational Council Meeting Minutes – December 13, 2007

Attendees: Gere Ablett, Gail Hackett, Doris Giese, Bob Faulks, Ron Crawley, and Pastor Judson Merrell. Also attending were incoming council members Todd Kallam, Evelyn Swain, John Fancher, and Marjorie Berkley.

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 pm.

Devotions were led by Gere.

*Meeting Minutes* – Minutes from the November meeting were not available. Ron made a verbal report, based on notes he took last month. A **motion** was made by Bob to accept the report pending publication of the written minutes. The motion was seconded by Marjorie and approved.

*Treasurer's Report* – No report.

#### *New Business*

- Advent Offering – Gail mentioned that the council has traditionally determined the use of the Advent and Lenten offerings and we have not yet decide what to do with the Advent offering for this year. A decision was tabled un
- Council Meeting Time – Our current meeting time is 6:45pm. It was mentioned that the council may want to revisit the time or meeting date in 2008 in order to better suit the new members. It was determined that 7:00pm would work better, at least for our next meeting.
- New Members – Ron made a **motion** to extend an offer to Bobi Lawrence, Carrie Merrell, Billy Gowan, Melton & Helen Roof, and Kay Otten to join us as members. The motion was seconded by Gail and approved. Pastor Judson will follow up with these prospective members

- Guidelines for Funerals and Weddings – Pastor Judson commented that we need to establish written guidelines for use of the church, similar to our Facilities Utilization policy. The Worship & Music committee should be responsible for this task and can probably find similar documents online to be used as a template.
- Nursery Upgrade – Pastor Judson made a **motion** to proceed with the purchase of materials to complete the nursery, taking up to \$800 from Mission Partner funds to be replaced in 2008. The motion was seconded by Ron. In discussion, Ron pointed out the funds were approved in the budget for next year which is why this motion used Mission Partner funds to be “repaid” at the beginning of the New Year from the Property budget. The motion was approved.
- Gere’s Resignation from Council – Gere submitted a written resignation from council (attached) which was accepted.

*Ministry Reports* – Reports were submitted by Vice President, Outreach, and Altar Guild (all attached).

*Pastor’s Report* – See attached

The meeting adjourned.

*Next Meeting* – January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Submitted by

RON CRAWLEY

Treasurer – Springs of Grace Congregational Council