MINUTES - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Meeting Sunday, December 15, 2019

Present: Anna-Marie Plyler, Brock Tollison, Donna Foster, Jamie Sanders, Jennifer Ross, Karen Lucas, Katie Bostic, Lauren Chandler, Marcia Woodward, Mitch Uehling, Nancy Hyatt, Pastor Andrew Isenhower, Penry Gustafson, Rebecca Richardson, Steve Steck and Wade Wingard.

Absent: Robert Ellington.

Guests: Ed Beaman (incoming new Councilman as well as Council President) and Noah Adams (Incoming Youth Deacon)

Light Lunch and Conversation: A delicious light lunch was provided by Nancy Hyatt, Anna-Marie Plyler and Rebecca Richardson as the Council Meeting was moved to 12:00 Noon due to the Children's Christmas Play being held Sunday evening.

Call to Order and Devotion: President Nancy Hyatt called the meeting to order at 12:32 P.M. Rebecca Richardson gave the devotion and offered prayer. President Hyatt requested a motion that Ed Beaman and Noah Adams be given a voice but no vote at the meeting., Motion of the same by Donna Foster and Second by Rebecca Richardson. **Unanimously Approved**.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion to Adopt the Agenda by Karen Lucas, Second by Donna Foster. Unanimously Approved.

Adoption of Minutes:

- November 17, 2019 Council Minutes: Mrs. Plyler pointed out a correction to the minutes: On Page 1 of the minutes, the "Current active membership at the end of October 2019" should read "442" as opposed to "443". Motion to approve the November 17, 2019 minutes by Lauren Chandler, Second by Katie Bostic.
 Unanimously Approved.
- 2. December 8, 2019 Called Congregational Meeting Minutes: Mrs. Hyatt pointed out the missing word "asked" in the second sentence of the next to the last paragraph of the minutes. A vote was taken and the minutes were **Unanimously Approved** as corrected.

Attendance and Membership for November 2019

2019	<u>8:30</u>	<u>ss</u>	<u>10:45</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>8:15</u>	<u>ss</u>	<u>10:30</u>	<u>Total</u>
11/3/2019	64	59	102	166	11/4/2018	46	68	110	156
11/10/2019	61	66	116	177	11/11/2018	46	56	126	172
11/17/2019	53	53	101	154	11/18/2018	43	36	118	161
11/24/2019	59	67	113	172	11/25/2018	49	46	85	134
Average	59	61	108	167	Average	46	52	110	156

Total Membership 12/31/2018: 774
Total Active Members 12/31/2018: 481

Current active membership at the end of October 2019: 442

Members Added in November 2019: 0

Members Removed by Evangelism Motion in November 2019: 26

Ron, Helene and Robert Lipe; Catherine Lipe Masson: Requested to be removed Greg Black, Mackie All, Lachlan and Hance All-Black: Joined another church

Mitch and Beth Mackinem: Joined another ELCA church

Linda Carol Stewart: Requested to be removed

Brian Chandler: Joined another church

Taylor and Katie Miller: Joined another church

Barry Sloop: Joined another church

Perry and Kathy O'Quinn; Cody Gentry: Requested to be removed

Clifford Lucas: Requested by Karen Lucas
Marilyn Sonnenberg: Joined another ELCA church
Marie Lockhart: Requested by Janet Lockhart
Mike, Tiffany and Hayley Faruqui: Unable to locate

Mackie Stewart: Susan Stewart (sister) requested his removal

Jason Matthew Jenny: Joined another ELCA church. Current active membership at end of November 2019: 416.

Standing Committees:

- 1. Communication Committee Wade Wingard: No written report submitted
- 2. Evangelism Committee Penry Gustafson: Written report submitted.
- 3. Finance Committee Jamie Sanders: Written report submitted.
- 4. Gifts Committee Marcia Woodward: No written report submitted.
- 5. Learning Committee Katie Bostic: Written report submitted.
- 6. Parish Life Committee -Karen Lucas: Written report submitted.
- 7. Property Committee –Lauren Chandler: No written report submitted.
- 8. Social Ministry Committee Steve Steck: Report emailed to Council Members and handed out at the meeting.
- 9. Worship Life Committee –Donna Foster: No written report submitted.
- 10. Youth & Children Committee Mitch Uehling: Written report submitted.. Committee Communication Time:
 - a. Mitch Uehling said that the Youth and Children Committee had been able to use Thrivent Funds for some of the 2019 Youth Activities and asked if he could use the 2019 Youth and Children unexpended funds for outreach ministries and to help fund the National Youth Conference. Mitch was advised to bring that up as a motion after the 2019 books have been closed out at the January meeting.

Old Business:

- 1. Status of Financial Procedures Process Review:
 - Documentation of the current process is underway. Mrs. Hyatt reported that on December 17, a representative from ACS will conduct a demonstration of their product "Realm" which might be a solution to having to perform updates to two systems (ACS and QuickBooks).
- 2. Narthex Roof Update:
 - Lauren Chandler reported that the settlement check for the repair of the Narthex roof is in the bank. The repair work will be scheduled between the repair crew and the manufacturer's representative as the manufacturer's rep will need to be on site during the process. Ed Beaman, Incoming President asked for clarification that the Roof Repair Insurance Settlement of \$48,950 would not need to be an "approved expenditure by the Congregation" since it was an insurance settlement. Both President Hyatt and Treasurer Richardson agreed that it would not require a Congregational vote of approval since cost of repairs are being covered by the warranty.

New Business:

1. Evangelism Committee Motion:

Evangelism Committee moves to remove the following fourteen people from the Good Shepherd

Membership Rolls:

Matthew Schaefer: Removed by Request Isaac Van Duys: Removed by Request Carole Lockhart: Removed by Request

Robert (Robbie) Hodges: Removed by Request

Walter Kohn, Removed by Request Melanie Kohn: Removed by Request Chandler Kohn: Removed by Request Lennox Kohn: Removed by Request Wilbur (Trey) Smith: Removed by Request

Tobyn Fetner: Removed by Request

Patrick Quattlebaum: Removed by Request
Neil Bultman III: Removed by Request
Stephanie Sox: Removed by Request
Cecelia (Cissy) Lucas: Removed by Request.

Motion Unanimously Approved.

2. Property Committee Motion:

The Property Committee moves that the Congregational Council approve overspending its 2019 Budget by \$3,800.

<u>Background Information</u>: This motion is being made due to the failure of the Education Building heat system last month. The emergency repairs and substitute HVAC units on site during the eight day repair process cost \$3,820.27.

Motion Unanimously Approved.

3. Council Meeting Dates for 2020:

Council Meeting Dates for 2020 were announced and members were advised that they would receive the written scheduled via email after the meeting.

4. Corrections or Additions to the Council/Committee Chair Contact Info:

A draft of the contact information sheet was passed around so that members could either confirm or update their contact information. Council Members were advised that they would receive the updated contact information via email after the meeting.

5. Establishment of Councilperson of the Month:

Numbers representing the numerical order of months in the year were drawn by Council Members to determine the month that would as Councilperson of the Month. After numbers were drawn, several members switched months to better accommodate their schedules. Additionally, because in 2020 there will only be 10 Council Members, the Incoming Council President agreed to serve as Council Person of the month and the Council Secretary and the Chair of Property agreed to take on the responsibility for one month in lieu of a Council Member. The updated schedule will be emailed to the members after the meeting.

6. Council Retreat:

The date for the 2020 Council Retreat will be February 7 and 8. February 7: 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM and February 8: 8:30 AM until 12:30 . The Retreat will be held in the FAB and will be led by Pastor Andrew. Council will sign up to provide Friday covered dish and Saturday breakfast at the January 2020 Council meeting.

Petitions and Communications

- 1. Council was reminded that their Yearly Committee Reports were due to the Parish Administrator by December 31.
- 2. New Council Officers (President, Vice President and Treasurer) were reminded that they will need to sign signatory cards at Good Shepherd's bank after January 2, 2020.
- 3. Thank You letter from the South Carolina Lutheran Men in Mission and from Thank You notes from two GSLC YOGS were received during November. The Secretary was unable to locate the correspondence in her council information documents and will present them at the January 2020 meeting.

The Pulse

President Hyatt asked Council to pay particular attention to the deadline to submit information the Parish Administrator for the January Newsletter.

Executive Session

Council went into Executive Session at 1:15 P.M. to discuss Staff Christmas Gifts. Executive Session ended at 1:19 P.M. with one motion resulting from the session. The motion was made by Rebecca Richardson and the second was from Penry Gustafson. The motion defined the formula to be used to determine individual staff Christmas gifts. The motion was **Unanimously Approved.**

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 1:21 P.M. with the Council members joining in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Anna-Marie Plyler

Pastor's Report Rev. Andrew Isenhower December 13, 2019—January 17, 2020

Pastoral Acts

-No Baptisms, Funerals or Weddings.

Worship and Music

- -I preached, presided, and led worship for 4 Contemporary, 4 Traditional Sunday services, and 1 combined service.
- -I preached, presided, and led worship for 2 Christmas Eve worship services.
- -I led 1 midweek Advent service.
- -I led the Epiphany service.
- -I participated in worship planning.

-I have continued leading the mid-week bible study.

Pastoral Care

- -I made 3 hospital/rehab visits.
- -I made 5 home/retirement facility visits.
- -I made 16 Pastoral Care phone calls.

Social/Fellowship/Community Events

- -I attended the Children's Christmas play and meal
- -I attended the Day School Christmas Program
- -I attended Live Wire in December
- -I attended the Epiphany service and Chili Cookoff
- -I attended Live Wire in January

Church Business

- -I attended the following committee meetings:
 - Shepherd's Visitors
 - Worship Life Committee
 - Youth Committee
 - Executive Committee
 - Retreat Task Force Meeting
 - Staffing Task Force Meeting
 - **Evangelism Committee**
- -I have been working with some prospective new members as well as updating our new member packets. We will welcome 8 new members on January 26!

Synodical Business

-I am working on my annual report to the Bishop's office.

Continuing Education

-I met with my clergy group. We meet with a counsellor once a month to discuss life and ministry and support one another.

Self-Care

- -I took time each day for devotional reading and prayer.
- -Our family enjoyed some time together over the Christmas season.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Andrew Isenhower

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01-07-20 Learning Committee Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Katie Bostic, Don Caughman, Amanda Snodgrass, Anna-Marie Plyler, Lisa

Sanchez, Mark Lovern

Members Absent: Mitch Uehling (at Worship Life meeting), Stacy Gross

Called the meeting to order 6:05pm

Devotion: Katie Bostic

Sunday School Promotion

We looked over a discussed a document that Bruce Shealy prepared about Sunday school promotion (See below). We agreed on the many things listed that would help promote Sunday school. Some of them would take time to prepare. Bruce recommended possibly putting together a task force, and if there was a need for a part time person to help with this. Katie said that church staffing needs were going to be discussed at a meeting the following week, but she had expressed to staff support last fall, that there was not an immediate need to have the Christian Education position filled at this time. Brining back small groups for lent was discussed. Amanda said there was a committee that organized the groups a couple years ago. She is going to lead the charge on finding out what all needs to be done in order to get the groups going again, and if we have enough time to have them during lent this year.

Sunday School

Sunday school classes have had to change locations due to the recent flooding downstairs in the church. All classes are doing well and attendance is up but it is not as high as it has been in the past. Some members of the committee have heard from members that the time between 8:30 service and when Sunday school starts is too large of a gap for them to stay to attend Sunday school. Since the Contemporary service is getting out around 9:15am now, that is leaving a 30 minute gap before class starts at 9:45. The majority of our members do not seem to be interested in attending fellowship time. Once the classes are able to meet back down stairs, the committee is going to work on promoting fellowship time by word of mouth, newsletter, and email blast. Katie will also ask Pastor Andrew to make an announcement about it during announcements before the services. Fellowship time will be in the parlor. If members still do not want to participate in fellowship, we may need to think about doing away with it and adjusting the schedule.

For Adult Summer Sunday School the committee wants to have one combined adult class. We discussed getting an outside speaker to teach on the theme "Honoring our Neighbor's Faith". Katie has allocated some money in our budget for this if needed. After further discussion, since Sunday school attendance is a lot lower in the summer, we did not want to get a speaker if he would only be teaching a class of 8-10 people. We decided that this would be a great time for Pastor Andrew to teach. Katie asked him on 1/15/20 and he said that he would be happy to do it.

Katie and Anna-Marie are going to look into what program they want to do for Children's Summer School. Katie thinks Spark has a new summer curriculum and is going to research it further.

VBS

We have narrowed down the dates for VBS. Katie is going to check with Deborah Whitlow about which week in July would work best for her. Deborah Whitlow is going to be in charge of the dinners during the week of VBS. Katie is going to work on getting a planning committee meeting set up for late January/early February. Katie received the new VBS curriculum from the ELCA. It is free of charge. Her and Lisa will look it over and see if it is something we would like to use this year.

Easter

There will be no Sunday school classes on Easter Sunday. There will be crafts available for the Children in the FAB during breakfast and the time in between the 2 Easter services.

Closed Meeting with the Lord's Prayer Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, February 4, in classroom 4.

GSLC LEARNING PROMOTION

DRAFT 1/2020

PURPOSE:

- 1. To make members aware of the opportunities for learning.
- 2. To promote awareness and understanding of the importance of continual Christian instruction for one's growth in grace.
- 3. To encourage members to commit to making learning a personal priority.

OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Increase involvement in congregation worship, learning, and service by means of a deeper understanding of one's role as a child of child of God and as a participant in His Church.
- 2. Help members to continually grow in grace and in spiritual maturity through a deeper and broader understanding of the God's Word.

WHY:

- 1. To help fulfill one's Baptismal vow: "... As they grow in years, to place in their hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for their instruction in the Christian faith..."
- 2. To help fulfill one's Affirmation of Baptism vow: "... to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism..."
- 3. A primary focus on the Word as expressed in Holy Scripture is the key factor for a healthy congregation and for a healthy church member.
- 4. The Word and especially the Gospels are one of the three "means of grace" according to Lutheran doctrine as developed by Martin Luther.

HOW:

- 1. By providing a wide range of learning opportunities for members and for people of all ages to include:
 - a. Sunday School
 - b. Small groups
 - i. Short term groups specific lessons.
 - ii. Long term groups special interest.
 - iii. Bible study groups
 - 1. At church
 - 2. In home
 - c. Vacation Bible School
- 2. By actively promoting these opportunities.
- 3. By training and equipping teachers and group leaders.
- 4. By helping members understand the importance of lifelong learning for their personal growth in grace.

WHO:

Cooperative effort of Learning, Parish Life, Communications committees and perhaps a special task force or standing committee.

PROMOTION:

Actively and consistently, promote the reasons for involvement in learning and the opportunities for learning.

- Brochure
- Web site
- E-mail blasts
- Newsletter
- Temple talks
- Personal invitation

Guiding Bible verses:

(Psalms 119:105) "Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path".

(Proverbs 1:2-7) "For learning about wisdom and instruction, for understanding words of insight, for gaining instruction in wise dealing, righteousness, justice, and equity; to teach shrewdness to the simple, knowledge and prudence to the young—

Let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill, to understand a proverb and a figure, the words of the wise and their riddles.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction." (Maybe the last clause will offend some folks ... but that's what is written.)

PARISH LIFE Subcommittee

Retreat Task Force Meeting Recap January 14, 2020

Attendees: Heather Gilbert, Karen Lucas, Bruce Shealy, Kappy Steck, Pastor Andrew

We have a list of functions/tasks that need to be planned. We have volunteers for planning some functions/tasks. We are working on getting volunteers for others.

Our theme is RENEWAL. We want our motto to be We are Good Shepherd. Parish Life will be discussing submitting that motto to Council for approval as our church motto. Kappy has been working on T-shirts for the retreat and we hope to add that motto.

We discussed Friday night being a campfire, songs and stories.

Saturday morning, we will have a guest presenter. Pastor Andrew is checking on some possible speakers. There will be separate activities for the children.

Saturday afternoon we will have a few optional planned activities like a hike, a tour of Sierra Nevada, shopping or you can opt for free time and do your own thing. The cookout will be Saturday evening.

For Sunday worship, the task force would prefer that Pastor Andrew do the service.

DRAFT Schedule on back.

FRIDAY					
	April 24, 3:00 - 5:30 PM - see				
Registration and Welcome	Karen Lucas after hours				
Dinner on your own	April 24, 5:30 - 7:30				
Friday evening activities	April 24, 8:00 - 9:30				
Friday night free time	April 24, 9:30 - ?				
SATURDAY					
Breakfast	April 25, 8:30 AM ?				
Saturday morning activities	April 25, 9:00 - 12:00				
Adult					
Children					
Lunch	April 25, 12:00 - 1:30				
Saturday afternoon activities	April 25, 1:30 - 5:00				
Hike					
Tour Siera Nevada					
Shopping or other					
Free Time					
Cookout	April 25, 5:30 - 9:00 PM				
grill					
organize food					
Saturday night free time	April 25, 9:00 - ?				
SUNDAY					
Breakfast	April 26, 8:00				
Worship	April 26, 9:15 - 10:00				
Checkout, evaluations, key collection, blessings	April 26, 10:00-11:00				

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Worship Life Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 7, 2020 - 6:00 PM

Present: Donna Foster, Nancy Hyatt, Neal Inman, Becky Shealy, Donna Vaughn, Marcia Woodward, Pastor Andrew Isenhower, Jim Johnson, Susan Sturkie

Excused: Charlene Fink, Steve Fink, Kerry Stubbs, Susan Weaver, Michael Simmons

Not Present: Cheryl Christian, Penry Gustafson, Jay Jenny, Karen Jenny

Guest: Mitch Uehling

Mrs. Foster called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM and thanked everyone for coming. She read a devotion on starting a new year and being adopted as part of God's family.

Delegation of meeting duties. Mrs. Foster asked if 2 people would volunteer to be in charge of the devotions. Jim Johnson volunteered to be responsible for the February devotion.

Approval of the October 22, 2019 meeting minutes. Mrs. Shealy made a motion to accept the October 22, 2019 Worship Life Committee meeting minutes. Mrs. Woodward seconded the motion and all approved.

Staff Reports:

Mrs. Sturkie reported recently her time had been filled with the clean-up and protection of files in the rooms that were recently flooded due to a leak in an underground pipe. The Men's choir robes had gotten wet and had been taken to the dry cleaners. The women's choir robes have been removed from the flooded rooms and were not soiled.

Mr. Johnson reported that his work with the children's music program continues. He emphasized that music ministry starts with infants. There are currently 13 youth and children participating in the program. Mr. Johnson said he would like the children to be included more consistently in the Sunday services. Mrs. Foster asked him to develop a written plan on ways to include the children and present it to the Worship Life Committee for consideration. This should include participation in both services. Mr. Uehling said the Youth Sunday will be held on February 2 and there will be only 1 service at10:45 and the next year Youth Sunday will be at the contemporary service. Details for the February 2 program still need to be worked out and that he would appreciate Mr. Johnson's assistance. Mrs. Shealy noted that the signs on the Sunday school class signs have an incorrect start time.

Mrs. Inman had no report at this time.

Contemporary Service coordination with church events: Mrs. Foster would like a mechanism for insuring that the Contemporary service folks always have the opportunity to participate in church wide events. For example, Pastor Andrew's installation. It may be as simple as having a member of the Worship Life committee who regularly attends the contemporary service be the contact person that connects the event planners. However, none of the committee members who attend the contemporary service were present at the meeting so the topic was tabled until the next meeting. Mrs. Shealy noted that in the not too distant past, Church Council voted that there should be 5 joint services each year.

Old Business

Evaluate 2019 Advent / Christmas Services:

There was a discussion on the pros and cons of the 5:00 PM instead of the 6:00 PM Christmas Eve service. It was reported that a few who had to work Christmas Eve thought it was too early but others who had small children or other events on Christmas eve appreciated the move to 5:00. Attendance at the 11:00 PM service was higher than average this year. The consensus was that the benefits of a 5:00 PM service outweighed the negatives. It was also noted that members missed having the children sing at the 5:00 service. Due to the late start on the Christmas play and the additional Installation service, practicing for the Christmas Eve service was more than the children could commit too.

Pastor Andrew requested that there be a mid-day, mid-week Advent Service. Committee members concurred with this.

Budget for 2020

Mrs. Foster reported that the Worship Life Committee budget for the coming year was the same as last year. There was no discussion.

New Business:

Training Sessions: Pastor Andrew would like to have a training session for the Lectors. He will select at time and get back with Mrs. Foster.

Altar Guild, Acolytes, Crucifers - Mrs. Inman said there was currently no need for a training session.

First Communion date: Pastor Andrew will check on this.

Other Items of Discussion:

Mrs. Hyatt asked about using communion wafers vs. bread vs. pita bread. There was a discussion on the pros and cons of each. It was decided what works best for Pastor Andrew should be used.

Mrs. Woodward reported that she had been asked to discuss if the bulletins could be printed so that less paper is used (smaller font, less detail of the service, etc.) Pastor Andrew said he felt strongly that the detailed bulletin made it easier to follow and participate in the service. Mrs. Hyatt had been asked to request copies of larger print bulletins for the contemporary service. So given these current requests to make bulletins both smaller and larger, for the current time they will stay the same. However, Mrs. Foster will ask the parish administrator to provide a few large print bulletins for the Contemporary Service, just as she does for the Traditional Service.

There was no further business.

Mrs. Woodward made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Mrs. Hyatt and all approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Next Meeting Date: Monday, February 10, 6:00 PM, Classroom 2

Good Shepherd Youth & Children Ministry Minutes

Monday, January 13, 2020 6:36pm meeting called to order

In attendance – Amy Kemp, Barbara Rowell, Pastor Andrew, Lisa Sanchez, Leigh Ann Tollison, Deborah Whitlow and Mitch Uehling. Excused – Jennifer Ross and Susan Uehling

Mitch led the devotional, "The Voice" written by Dr. Carol Geisher from Lutheran Hour Ministries.

Old business:

Deborah made a motion to approve the minutes from December 2019 meeting, Lisa Sanchez approved.

Barbara, Deborah and Leigh Ann Tollison shared feedback from the December- Christmas Party/Caroling. There were 9 YOGS and 5 adults that went Caroling and a few others joined YOGS after Caroling for Christmas party and dinner. Over 10 different members and neighbors in the community were visited by the YOGS. Carol/Greg Sox prepared and provided dinner for YOGS after Caroling. This was well attended, fun and enjoyable for YOGS, parents and members.

Feedback from Jan 12 – Dinner and Health/Mental Wellness Program led by Jennifer Ross, dinner provided by Leigh Ann Tollison and Melissa Vail helped clean up dinner. 8 YOGS attended this learning opportunity.

YFM's Update:

The Easter Egg Hunt date has been set for Saturday, April 11 the day before Easter at 10am. YOGS will arrive at 9am to hide eggs. It was discussed to maybe hide eggs around the front of the education building and front side of the church for some of the older kids and keep the little ones inside the fence and also use the property between the fence and FAB. I will reach out to volunteers to help with set up, clean up, a few simple crafts, set up backdrop for pictures, take pictures, read the Easter Story and one person to welcome everyone, give some simple instructions and let those in attendance know when to begin Egg Hunt with directions. I have a prior engagement on that morning, but that Saturday worked the best for everyone else. Last year we had about 25-30 children and about 50-55 children and adults in total. We would like to promote this Egg Hunt on the post cards that are mailed out to the surrounding community and invite our neighbors to join us on that morning. Eggs will be placed in the Narthex several weeks before Easter and we will ask members to fill eggs with candy and return to the Narthex on or before Palm Sunday.

GYFs

Lisa Sanchez shared information about Jan 26 "let your light shine" community event with many other Columbia Lutheran churches participating. Lisa Sanchez and Mitch Uehling will chaperon and drive leaving at 2:30pm from GSLC (Event 2-4pm)

February 23 from 12-2pm in FAB – Lisa Sanchez will send out communication in an email to children and parents

NYG

Updates on NYG – Those Eligible based on grade level rising 9th thru 12th graders in July 2021. Eden, Noah, Grayce, Anna, Kelly Grace, Evelyn, Tommy Vail, Sienna, Isabella, Jack, Clarissa, Madison. Those committed thus far, Eden, Noah, Grayce, Anna, Kelly Grace (maybe), Tommy (maybe). It was discussed at our committee meeting that the 1st deposit/money due for those considering going. GSLC Foundation granted summer missions fund/NYG \$2000 in 2019 and much appreciation was shown for their generosity.

YOGS

Youth Sunday Practice will be held at 5-7pm on January 26 - Jennifer Ross is emailing and communicating with Michael Simmons who is to Lead a few camp and Grace Works songs that many of the youth are familiar with. A more contemporary service Liturgy will be used for Youth Sunday and Mitch emailed Deborah Mitchell with a newsletter article to highlight this service and encourage our congregation to attend and support our youth and young people. Jim Johnson will work with our children's choir who will also be participating. Mitch and Jennifer will follow up with our youth to get all parts of the service covered and relay this to Deborah and Pastor Andrew. Pastor Andrew will work with Susan and Deborah to help plan out the service. Immediately following Youth Sunday, a love offering will be collected in the Narthex and in the FAB at the "Souper Bowl of Caring" luncheon. This is a national campaign to fight against hunger and 100% of the proceeds will go towards our GSLC food pantry. Jennifer, Mitch & Phil Tollison will work to buy food for Soup, prepare grilled cheese sandwiches, few PB&J sandwiches, drinks, desserts using a Thrivent Action Plan.

Also, in February – Talent Show and Shrove Tuesday will be highlighted in newsletter and a few bulletin inserts will be used to encourage members to participate in this fun event prior to the beginning of Lent. Proceeds from Shrove Tuesday will benefit the summer missions fund.

SC SYNOD EVENTS:

9th & 10th Grade Winter Retreat @ Camp Kinard 1/17-19 ---Grayce and Eden are registered and plan to attend. \$95 cost -Youth Budget covers \$50 and families/youth responsible for remaining \$45

11th & 12th Grade Winter Retreat @ Coastal Retreat Center 2/21-23 --Last year 4 youth attended, Mitch will follow up with email closer to this weekend, but those eligible include Brock, Millie, Jake, Forrest and Sam.

A motion was discussed at our youth committee meeting. Leigh Ann Tollison made the motion and Deborah Whitlow 2nd the motion to be presented to Council in February and unanimously approved. **MOTION:** Any remaining funds or unspent dollars in the Youth & Children Committee's budget at end of 2020 be rolled into Summer Missions Fund.

Closing and Lord's Prayer: Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.