

**First Lutheran Church
Vision Team Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2011 at 5:30 pm**

Present: Fred Bursch, Roger Thalman, Patrick Kalina, Stacey Lamski, Shane Johnston, Caroline Petefish, Rich Moen, Kathy Ortloff, Stephanie Heseltine, Pastor John Peshek, Pastor Greg Billberg and Pastor Marilee Bergerson

Absent: Dan Loken

- **ACTION:** Vision Team to think about whom they would like to see on three key taskforces; Building, Building Finance and Communications. Email names to Fred to be discussed at October 2011 Vision Team meeting.

Welcome by Fred

Presentation by Anne Gerrietts, EIT, LEED AP Church Building Consultant

- Anne is with the Mission Investment Fund through the ELCA and offers a free service to churches to help guide them as much or as little as the church desires through the long range planning and building process. She felt that the Facilities Assessment that has been completed great and she was glad to see that it really focused on our ministries at First Lutheran versus the building.

Treasurer's Report

- Fred presented the Treasurer's Report. Looking much better this year in comparison to the past two years. Still work to be done. M/S/C as presented

Secretary's Report

- Minutes approved from the August 11, 2011 meeting. M/S/C

Pastor's Reports

- Pastor John
 - Fall schedule coming alive and it is very busy at FLC. Synod Stewardship Event is Sunday, October 9 from 2 – 7 pm in Detroit Lakes. Open to all who would like to attend. Pr. John recommended we read article in The Lutheran called "Of Urinals and the Least of These"
- Pastor Marilee
 - Three funerals this week. Church is very busy.

Old Business

- Board Reports on Strategic Initiatives
 - Youth Ministry - Sr FLY planning trip to National Youth Gathering next summer. Confirmation is starting next week
 - Stewardship – go to Synod Stewardship Event in Detroit Lakes on October 9
 - Worship – working on Oktoberfest for Fall
 - Adult Ministry – trip to St. John's on September 23. Sign up at Welcome Center
 - Mission – work has begun on shoe boxes for Christmas. Malaria is a focus this year
 - Volunteer Ministry – Spirit Fest!
 - Property – roofing project postponed for one month will be completed early to mid October. Parking lot repairs will be done soon
 - Children's Ministry – ready to go and geared up!
- Living Nativity – planning going wonderfully. Need a camel!
- Discussion on City Park and Carlos State Park summer worship. Suggestions on how it could be simplified at CSP

New Business

- Fundraising Consultants – discussed looking at James Co and J.D. Klote Group
- Roof Repair Appeal – share update on project in newsletter
- Call Committee – discussed forming a call committee and gave suggestions on whom to approach to serve on committee. Pr John to contact those individuals. UPDATE: Pr John emailed a few days following the VT meeting and shared that Greg Trumm, Jen Sundby, Wayne Quernemoen, Sally Anderson, Eric Nyberg, Jo Bjerkness and Paula Odland have all agreed to serve.

Next Meeting

- Thursday, October 13 at 5:30 pm

Closing Devotions provided by Shane Johnston

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,
Stephanie Heseltine