

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**God's Spiritual Family**  
**Jesus fed**  
**Spirit led**

**Minutes of the Congregational Council Meeting**  
**February 21, 2010**

**Call to Order**

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregational Council meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by President Mark Smedley. Council met upstairs in the Parish Hall.

Present:

Mark Smedley-President  
 Rich Baur  
 Don Bevan  
 Kathy Hemke  
 Gordon Peterson

Pastor Fred Schenker

Excused: Jim Adelman, Jim Block, David B. Brauer, Scott Peterson, Vincent Russell

Staff Representative: Dianne Barbin, Janet Montelaro

<b>Attendance through February, 2010 (next election 06/10)</b>				
<b>NAME</b>	<b>TERM ENDS</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Jim Adelman	2010	8	1	
Rich Baur	2010	8	1	
Don Bevan	2011	7	2	
Jim Block	2010	8	1	
David B. Brauer	6/30/2011	5	4	
Kathy Hemke	6/30/2011	8	1	
Open	6/30/2011	7	2	
Gordon Peterson	2011	7	2	
Scott Peterson	6/30/2011	6	3	
Open	2010	1	8	
Vincent Russell	2011	4	5	
Mark Smedley	2011	9		

**Devotions** –were led by Pastor Fred

**Approval of January Minutes**-It was moved and seconded (Bevan/G. Peterson) to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

**Council vacancies**-Yvonne Hudnall and Hannah Russell's seats are both open due to their resignations from Council. Pastor Fred and Mark Smedley have suggested Gayland

Cook and Heather Flayer as appointments. As there was no quorum at this meeting Council scheduled a special meeting for Sunday morning between services to approve the replacements.

**Consent Agenda.**

**Reports**-All business contained in written reports. No further discussion regarding any ministry report

**Business Agenda**

**Property**-Icicles were cleared from the roof of the Parish Hall. Discussion regarding changes to the downstairs of the Church. A serving counter will replace the table that is presently used for Fellowship and receptions. Some painting will take place. The goal of the project is to make the area more welcome and inviting. Council discussed becoming more visible to the congregation. Badges or pins identifying Council will be available for use on Sunday mornings. Council members would circulate in the buildings and be available to congregation members.

**Capital Fund Meeting**-Mark Smedley held a meeting to discuss funding for the Church steeple repair. Pastor Fred, Janet Montelaro, Larry DePaolis, Jim Adelman and Bill Kirk were in attendance. A Capital Campaign will be undertaken to pay for the repairs.

**Establishing a Worship Cancellation Procedure**

**Pastor's report**

David Kreiling and Melanie Farman, Noah, Oriana and Aveline were received as new members on Feb. 14.

Lent mid-week services began on Feb. 17

During Lent the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> lessons and the Psalm will be omitted from the Order of Service.

Pledging update-to date 132 pledges totaling a little over \$391,000 have been received.

**Trinity 21**-steering committee is meeting with Dave Brauer to establish a long range/strategic plan.

**Parochial Report**

**Feedback from Council shepherding ministry calls**-Council is hoping to achieve some of the same results by increasing their visibility on Sunday mornings.

**New Business**

**Up date on church computer network**-the main computer in the church office is now over 6 years old. As it is the server for the rest of the computers on the office network and also contains the church's permanent records a request is being made to replace with a new computer. A written report regarding the church's network status and recommendations for upgrades will be circulated to Council from the Computer Task Force.

**Annual Council Retreat**-will take place on Sunday March 21 from 1 to 5 PM. Dave Brauer will be asked to describe the Trinity 21 strategic/long range planning process and progress to date.

Council is urged to attend the congregational luncheon prior to the retreat.

**Action Items**

- *Mark Smedley*-confirm Gayland Cook and Heather Flayer's willingness to be appointed to Council and schedule special Council meeting to confirm their appointments.
- *Dianne Barbin*-continue to update Council on status of church computer network.
- *All Council*-reserve March 21 on their calendars for the congregational lunch and Council Retreat.
- *Council*-approve January Financial Secretary and Treasurer's Reports at the March meeting.

**Set date next meeting**-March 21 from 1 to 5 PM in the Friendship House.

It was moved and seconded (Bevan/Baur) to adjourn the meeting at 2 PM with Closing Prayer. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dianne Barbin  
Administrative Assistant