Board of Directors 4/18/23

Present: Pastor Enno Limvere, Tom Yuhasey, John Bottger, Kevin LeVoir, Jenny Delfs, Bruce Tyler, Carol Winter

Unable to attend: Carol Bennett

WE BEGIN TOGETHER

- I. Meeting was called to order by TY at 5:05 pm
- II. Mission statement was read by TY.
- III. Joys and concerns were shared.
- IV. Pastor Enno asked a 'question of the month.'
- V. Communication agreement was read by TY.

WE ATTEND TO IMMEDIATE AND URGENT BUSINESS/ HOUSEKEEPING

- VI. Minutes from March were approved previously.
- VII. April agenda was approved as amended. Motion by JD, second by KL.
- VIII. Financial report was given by KL. Highlights include that this year to date income has exceeded expenses, the endowment is slowly making some recovery as the market improves, the only 'extra' expenses have been newspaper advertising for staff. Many thanks to those who volunteer at 1st & 2nd and direct their dollars to the church. And thanks to all the other cheerful and generous givers. Report was accepted. Motion by CW, second by JB.
- IX. Newsletter note for May will be written by JB. Deadline is roughly 4/24/23.
- X. May meeting will be 5pm on 5/23/23. The summer congregational meeting will be following service on Sunday, June 25.

WE ATTEND TO OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

- XI. Pastor's report was given. Highlights include a)youth group overnight 4/28, b)Enno will attend festival of homiletics in May, c)he will officiate a wedding in May d)he will attend chaplain training in Buffalo, MN (paid for by sheriff's office) and e)the Earth Day Fair is this coming weekend. Also, f)we still need an office administrator (volunteers can help with some of the tasks) g)we are looking for more people to attend the MN annual conference June 9-10 at St. Benedict's, and h)a choir from Iowa will be staying at the church June 9-11 (they will assist in worship at church and at the Care Center).
- XII. Mutual Ministry Goals were reviewed. a) Mission statement: looks ready to go after further discussion this past Sunday b) Community building: Two potlucks have occurred in the past week. Perhaps there will be treats after service in May? c)Outreach: There are people giving information about community activities during announcements. The next two Sundays will be covered by JD and JB.
- XIII. BOD members were surveyed regarding continued service on the board.
- XIV. We are prepared to sign the lease for the childcare center when Hunter gets licensed by the state. The attorney has asked that both parties meet with him to review the document at the time of signing. Many thanks to Pastor Enno and KL for putting so much time and effort into this endeavor.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

XV. Church Life brief reports/updates

a. Pastoral Relations: continues to meet regularly

b. Finance Committee - weekly updates to congregation re actual/ budget status

c. Stewardship Committee - Time and Talent Survey Status-under review

d. Children and Youth life/faith formation - Fundraising Events for Summer Trip (\$1200 raised to date)

e. Memorial Committee: KL will forward the names of those who donated for Bob Carter's memorial so the committee can send thank you's

f. Building and Grounds Team – JB reported on a good visit by one architect firm and their proposal for the church building is expected, but has not arrived yet. One or two others have responded to RFP. Many thanks to the Buildings and Grounds team for all the work they are doing on this big and important project.

g. Outreach – WOW, collaborations with Arrowhead Indivisible, Climate meeting, Refugee Resettlement, Food Shelf. Compost bins are on order.

Rooted and Rising - BT reported that book discussion is done, rain garden work days will resume in May, and on the raised garden beds

h. Worship Committee – meeting monthly – seeking another member

i. Standing Grievance Committee: Delfs, Mattice, Bennett - has not needed to meet

j. Food Team has done a fine job with potluck and me,oral service for Bob Carter

XV WE END TOGETHER and adjourned at 6:27pm Respectfully submitted

Carol Winter 4/19/23