

# Living Word Lutheran Church Stewardship Committee

## Meeting Minutes for July 12, 2012

The next meeting will be Thursday, August 9.

Present: Pastor Kluver, Rocky and Maren Burgau, Kathie Lillehaugen, Keith Redfield, Don Nelson. Absent: Keith Anderson, Jane Osterberg.

1. The minutes for June were reviewed and approved.
2. Maren reported on the re-structuring of the *duties for the stewardship committee* and gave us a copy of the list. We agreed to review them to see how we were meeting expectations as a committee at a future meeting.
3. The new Memorial Fund envelope is printed. It was delivered to Anderson Funeral Home for the visitation for Al Knollenberg today. The cost for the envelopes and printing was \$165 for 500.

Kathie raised the issue about procedures for handling Memorial gifts such as for this afternoon's visitation. Her suggested outline was readily recognized as appropriate and she will write up a procedure for the committee to review and recommend for implementation at the next meeting.

Kathie also recommended that LWLC have an all-purpose card that could be used for such things as Church thank-yous for gifts, etc.. We asked Maren to make this recommendation to the council.

4. Temple talks. Keith A. is working on the talks needed for August and October.
5. Rocky has finished the Statements of Faith for the Special Emphasis Ministries. He is coordinating with Pastor AJ for the remainder of the year schedule for SE talks.
6. Gaylen Lerohl, the new Treasurer, told me that projected income was running about 15% short as of the end of June. Don is to do a revised Benevolence Giving schedule and we will review it at the next meeting to see when and if any changes are necessary.

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7. Don has yet to speak with anyone at the Church of the Harvest regarding Kathie's comment regarding tithing at the June meeting. The object is to see how the education is accomplished there and see if it could be applied here.

We again encouraged Rocky and Maren to prepare a scripted (if necessary) message on their personal tithing experience.

8. We will review the following two statements of the Luther Seminary Symposium on Stewardship (which we read through at the June meeting) at some future meeting:

The budget of the church is the most truthful mission statement of the Congregation.

Consider the purpose of the congregation before writing the budget.

9. Two new possible Benevolence recipients were mentioned. The All-State Lutheran Choir which rehearses at Mount Carmel and then goes on a concert tour and the Reclaim Hymnal project. The belief of Kathie's contact was that the project was in dire need of funds. Pastor AJ is to look into this further with his contacts.

Submitted by Don Nelson, July 12, 2012