

**Salem Church of Darmstadt
Council Minutes
May 8, 2017**

Present: Lee Slater, Brad Willner, Eldon Scott, Mary Farney, Kristi Wilzbacher, Linda Thomas, Bruce Baldson, and Kent Mann.

Others Present: Pastor David

Lee Slater called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pastor David gave the devotion on the Ascension of Jesus.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Lori Feil was not present. The report was accepted as printed. The mission payment for May will be \$800.00 to Albion Fellows Bacon Center and \$1100.00 to Asbury Theological Seminary for Ross Kuester.

The Secretary's Report for April 10, 2017, was reviewed. There was a correction to the minutes. Bruce made a motion stating that attendance sheets will be destroyed but the bulletins will be kept in a file and Mary second the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville acknowledged receiving our donation.

Old Business

The steeple repair is waiting for the weather to clear up. Bruce has painted the parsonage shutters and has 1 1/2 to complete. Pastor David and family are very pleased with the new windows and doors.

The Safe Church meetings have been held. There will be a meeting at Lampion Center on June 28 for the ones that missed it at church.

John Gross is going to have some sub-committee meetings at the end of the month for the Long Range Planning Committee.

Cable has to be run and new electric installed in the office for the computer and network upgrades. We might have to hire an electrician to complete this project.

We discussed the Pork Loin/Smoked Chicken Dinner. Positive and negative reports were heard. Some would like the potato salad warm and comments of the chicken was cold. It was discussed having a set date for the dinner, possibly the Sunday after Easter.

New Business

Communion will be June 4 and this is also Confirmation Sunday. There are 10 confirmands.

Heavy rains has caused water in the wall by the elevator. Kent will check on the gutters.

Some of the light bulbs are out in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. We might have to hire someone to change them and change them all at one time.

Lori is going to check into paying bills online. An estimate of 50-60 checks are written monthly. We will still review every check that is written by the third year deacon.

Bruce is going to have Jack Brown look at the tree closest to the parking lot by the basketball goal for his recommendations.

Mary said the communion table for the Alternative Service is ready to be stained.

Kathy Day has asked if they could play pickle ball in the gym a couple of times a week. No objection.

Rick Johnson said Mary Schneider has asked to borrow tables from the church. The tables from the barn will be the only ones we lend out.

Lee received an e-mail from Sue today stating that she is resigning effective July 1. We hate to see her go but wish her the best. We will look for a replacement immediately.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Thomas
Secretary