

**Salem Church of Darmstadt
Council Minutes
October 9, 2017**

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

Others Present: Pastor David, and Lori Feil.

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

Pastor David gave the devotion from the original constitution of the church when Rev. Haas was the minister on picking people for the Church Council. He read the part that states the qualities of people that are going to be leaders of the church and also verses from 1 Corinthians and Acts 6.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed with Lori. She is setting up reports on the new software and would welcome any comments on what you would like to see on the reports. The Fall Festival has grossed a little over \$15,000 and the booth rental of \$1,032 has been paid for 2018. The mission payment for October will be \$2,000 to SIM-USA for Dana and Carolyn Belton. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as printed.

The Secretary's Report for September was reviewed and accepted as printed.

Old Business

The steeple repair was finished today. It looks beautiful! Insurance will cover most of the cost.

The drywall work in the parsonage is completed.

The Long Range Planning Committee has scheduled meetings for the congregation for the location of the Contemporary Service. Dates in October are Monday the 16th at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday the 18th at 6:30 p.m., Saturday the 21st at 10:30 a.m., Monday the 23rd at 6:30 p.m., Thursday the 26th at 6:30 p.m., and Sunday the 29th following Contemporary Workshop. Meetings will be in the Fellowship Hall.

The computer and network upgrade work is completed. There is still some concern over the location of the wireless disc in the sanctuary.

Hastings Mutual through Schultheis Insurance will be our new insurance carrier. The premium will be a little less per year and will be paid quarterly.

Communion will be November 5.

The November Council Meeting will be moved to Tuesday, November 14 and we will work on the budget for 2018.

The Revival was moved to the Fellowship Hall because of the hot weather. The feedback on having it there was very good. There is no bathroom in the garage and everything has to be moved out there. The comments on the joint service on Sunday was very positive. Eldon made a motion to move the Revival to the Fellowship Hall in the future. Mary seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Rescue Mission is asking for stuffing for Thanksgiving. Holly said she will take care of this if no one else wants to do it.

Mary Willner is concerned about all the hymnals splitting in the back area.

Danielle is going to Thailand in November. We would like for her to do a presentation in church before she leaves. Pastor David will check to see when she is available.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Thomas
Secretary