

**ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Congregation Council Minutes**  
**November 14, 2011**

**Attending:** Nick Britt, David Dirr, Marj Ellis, Brian Erickson, Carolyn Eselgroth, Pastor Bonnie Gerber, Connie Pierce, Derek Stout, Pastor Mike Weaver, Holly Wooden

**Absent:** Jeff Glasgow, Rob Wesley

**Also Attending:** Gloria Bock, administrative director; Stacy Wendt, communications director; Neil Brady and Terry Courter, MIC students

**Call to Order and Devotions:** The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room. Pastor Gerber led Council in praying for members whose last names start with A and B.

**Agenda:** The Agenda was adopted with two additions: (i) a report on potential church sign updates and (ii) a report on the ELCA churchwide Council meeting.

**Action Items:**

Minutes: The October 10, 2011 Council minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Britt presented the Treasurer's Report, which was approved as printed and presented.

Endowment Fund Signing Authority: Council approved an update for signing authority for All Saints' funds held within the ELCA Endowment Fund. Bob Hamilton will join Scott Rechel and Pastor Gerber as those with authority to sign for All Saints fund transfers.

**Status Reports and Discussion Items:**

Statistical Report:

*Births:* Hayley Christine, daughter of Doug and Janet Heindel, October 10

*Baptisms:* Lucas Matthew Isler, October 16; Lane Candace Rothhaar, October 23; Dominic Edward Gengo, November 6; Cole Rudolf Mueller, November 6; Elizabeth Amanda Albert, November 6

*Members Received:* Andrew and Lauren Grangaard; Kevin and Susan King, Tyler and Bryan; Chad and Renee Reynolds, Andrew, Audrey and Evelyn; Kyle and Jessica Robenstine, Lola; Tom and Kathleen Shealy; Brian and Alicia Towns, Joshua and Mark

*Transfers:* Adam and Melissa Ruschau, Katie and Abby, to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Jasper, IN

Council approved the transfer of the Ruschau family to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Adam's first pastorate.

Pastors' Reports: The pastors' written reports were read.

Stewardship Committee: Pastor Weaver reported on the Stewardship Committee's fall campaign. As of the Council meeting, 205 pledges had been received, representing about \$520,000 in planned giving. Of those, 104 giving units had increased their pledges, about \$27,000 total increase. More pledges are expected in the coming weeks.

Nominating Committee: Chairman Brian Erickson reported the committee will meet on November 21.

Sign Update: Pastor Gerber reported on the meeting held with Gloria Bock, Stacy Wendt and Tom Oswald to discuss the sign. The consensus was to clean up the current sign and landscaping and repair the lighting, all to be done in accordance with City of Worthington ordinances and within All Saints' budget.

Communication Proposal: Wendt presented three proposals for Council's consideration: (1) To update the ASLC website, (2) to update the ASLC logo, including a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary overlay, and (3) to do both updates simultaneously. If done separately, the cost would be about \$2,000 per project, and the total cost if both projects were completed at the same time would reflect about \$250 in savings. Alex Ford would be assisting in the "Identity System and Web Refresh." After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to fund the entire project. The motion carried with an instruction to the Support Committee to consider endowment sources of funding.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Pastor Gerber reported on plans for All Saints' 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The theme is "Called and Sent." The celebration will start on January 12. Six sons and daughters of the congregation will return to preach during the course of the year, and the church will sponsor monthly family mission projects. An oral history and an art history are being prepared.

ELCA Churchwide Council. President Ellis reported on her first ELCA Council meeting.

**Adjournment:** Pastor Weaver prayed. President Ellis adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:55 p.m.

Respectively submitted,  
Carolyn Eselgroth, Secretary