

The regular meeting of the Church Council of the United Evangelical Church was held on September 3, 1978, with the following persons in attendance: Carole Heidel, Carl Jackson, May Ketz, J. Edwin Myers, Margaret Craig, Killoughby Myrick II, Louis Oberlander, Randy Schmitt, George Sauer, John Bond, George Tuerk, and the Rev. H. Scott Wengen III. Pastor Wengen opened the meeting with a prayer. President George Tuerk reported that he had appointed Randy Schmitt to chair the nominating committee for the November Council elections. Mrs. Craig and Louis Parker, Jr. will serve with 2 others yet to be chosen. Current members up for re-election are George Sauer, John Bond, Killoughby Myrick, Carole Heidel, and Henry Schneider Jr.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved as read.

Financial Report: Mr. Tuerk reported that \$1,000 had been taken off the final bill from County Reupholstering because of the poor quality of the work. Thanks were expressed to Miss Heidel for the work she had done to raise funds for the renovation project.

The financial report was approved as submitted.

Committee Reports:

- * Property - Mr. Bond reported that the painting work was satisfactory except for the inside of the Dillor Street doors. The church office folding machine was broken beyond repair, and the one on loan to us from Yenni & Block was not operating properly. Mr. Bond is to check into a new machine, and he is authorized to purchase a model which satisfies him and the church office secretary.

Concerning the custodian, it was decided that the part-time work shall work 18 hours for \$50, at \$2.75/hour. He will work 37 1/2 hours/week if he is substituting as the full time custodian and will be paid accordingly.

Mr. Bond said that Denny Rossmark will clean the airway when we get rid of the pigeons. This is to be discussed at the October meeting. Mr. Bond also reported that the organ is in need of repair, since some keys are not working.

- Mr. Oberlander reported a complaint about noise and kids running in and out.
- * Finance - Mr. Schmitt reported that the fired custodian was paid for 5 hours work at \$3.20/hr. Upon recommendation by Mr. Schmitt, a motion was made by Mr. Myrick and seconded by Miss Weibel to transfer \$2,000 to the

checking account to cover imminent bills. The motion was carried.

Mr. Schmitt is to call a budget meeting at the beginning of October. He noted that \$47.01 was missing from petty cash. Pastor Nengen said acolytes are to sit in the Chancel during worship, and no adults except Council members should be in the office. He recommended that the procedure be that no one except the Pastor, church secretary, and treasurer have keys to the cabinet. The Finance Committee is to consider the matter and bring recommendation(s) to the Council.

- * Music - Mr. Myrick reported that the Men's Choir of the Chorus of the Chesapeake will be here on Dec. 10. Miss Weidel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Myrick, to move Tinsel Day to Dec. 10 to be able to have refreshments for the choir. The motion was carried.
- * Ushering - Mr. Sauer made a request for more help during worship.
- * Contemporary Worship - Mr. Schmitt reported the group may dissolve for lack of interest, but they will do the anniversary presentation as planned.
- * Christian Education - Miss Weidel read a letter from SECO thanking us for our participation in the Family Day Picnic.

She also reported that plans for the anniversary celebration were near completion.
Pastor's Report: A copy of the Pastor's Statistical Report is attached hereto.

* Accomplishments:

1. Responses were received from local Roman Catholic clergy regarding our letter of sympathy at the death of Pope Paul VI;
2. The custodial staff was expanded;
3. The SECO picnic was a success;
4. Anniversary plans are well underway;
5. Part of our storage problem is solved;
6. The pastor has completed the independent study portion of his Doctor of Ministry work;
7. The Youth Group dinner show was a success.

* Concerns:

1. An elderly adult is to be baptized here on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 1:30 P.M. At least one Council member should be present.
2. A special congregational meeting will be held on Sept. 10 to consider the covenant for the Dr. of Ministry project.
3. Final arrangements need to be made for the worship, luncheon, and

party for the anniversary.

4. The study groups for the Dr. of Ministry project will begin the week of Oct. 1. Books will be gotten through Fortress Press.

5. A few additional responses were received to the letter of the Membership and Stewardship Committee.

6. A letter was received from Rev. Kamm concerning property and casualty insurance. A representative will meet with us later to discuss it.

7. A new manual for church officers is available through the Conference and will be sent on request.

8. A pamphlet on membership in the U.C.C. was received. The pastor recommended that it be recorded on cassette tape using male & female voices.

9. The N. I. Fund offering will be received Oct. 1.

10. Plans need to be made for the soup buffet and oyster supper.

11. New plans need to be made for the Contemporary Worship Group. The pastor suggested that they work with the pastor and spiritual committee to plan all worship.

Mr. Turk raised a question of the right of

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privilege of search and inspection of church records. Currently the church secretary does this, and she is to continue until the Council makes a decision at the October meeting.

Mr. Sauer reported that John Lenning will not open and close the church on Sundays as of the end of the year.

There being no other business before the Council, all joined in the meeting was adjourned. All joined in praying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole P. Heidel
Recording Secretary