

**First Lutheran Women of the ELCA Board of Directors Meeting
January 2, 2019 – First Lutheran Church, Marshall**

Present: Karen Murphy, Shirley Anderson-Porisch, Corlys Knudson, Bobbie Carmody, Sue DeSaer, DeAnna Zimmer, Shirley Bruns, Pam Russell, Sara Larson

Absent: Dawn Planting, Erin Moline, Kim Christianson, Ruth Quist

Call to Order

Corlys Knudson, Co-President, called the First Lutheran Women's Board of Directors' Meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. The First Lutheran Women Mission Statement was recited.

Devotions:

Sue DeSaer provided the devotion on Ezekiel 36:26 – "A new heart also I will give you". With the new year, God will give us a new heart, a heart filled with love and with the spirit within. We reflect on what really matters and that is living like Jesus – living like him just one minute at a time.

Agenda Approval

Motion by Sue DeSaer, seconded by DeAnna Zimmer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report

The minutes from the November 28, 2018 First Lutheran Women's Board Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Pam Russell, seconded by Shirley Anderson-Porisch, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report as of 12/31/18 was reviewed with fund balances for Quilting at \$643.97; Savings at \$16,112.36; and Checking at \$4,741.54. Clarification was made on funeral ministry funds and monies dedicated to the kitchen fund. Motion by Karen Murphy, seconded by Shirley Bruns, to approve the treasurer's report as of 12/31/18 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Quilting Report

The quilters will not meet in January, February, or March. A thank you was extended to those who helped serve the Annual Soup Luncheon held on December 3.

Funeral Committee Report

Funerals were held for Marlys Reimler and Mera Johnson with approximately 100 plus people served at each. Discussion was held if another reminder should be made for the annual funeral donation. If people still want to donate, envelopes can be found on the table in the Narthex.

Church Council Report

A report was provided from the last church council meeting and included Foundation funds have been moved from Bremer Bank to Edward Jones; new member sessions are scheduled on January 23 and January 27 with new members being welcomed the first weekend in February; the Annual Meeting is scheduled on February 3 at 9:40 a.m. in the sanctuary; First Lutheran is serving at Esther's Kitchen every 3rd Thursday; BOLD Women Weekend is scheduled on January 26-27; and a kitchen update was provided.

Kitchen Project

Meetings continue to be held regarding the new kitchen project with approximately 17 people being in attendance. A design of the new kitchen was shared and will be provided to the congregation. The goal is to start the project in

May of 2020 as other issues /projects in the church need to be addressed first.

BOLD Women Weekend Services

BOLD Women's Weekend will be held on January 26-27 and also on Wednesday, January 23. Sign up sheets for volunteers will be placed in the Narthex and will also be sent out via email. Lori Obler will be providing the sermon; Lorraine Schmidt has agreed to provide the special music; temple talks will be given on January 13 and January 20 by Sara; and a separate offering will be collected with envelopes being distributed by the ushers and also set out on the table in the Narthex. The special offering will be going to the nationwide WELCA.

Valentine Brunch

The December Christmas Tea has been rescheduled to February 16 and will now be called a Valentine Brunch. New posters, tickets, etc. will be made and tickets will be sold and tickets already purchased for the Christmas Tea will be honored. The menu will remain the same – quiches, scones, fruit cups, cookies/candy, and coffee. Tickets will be sold beginning January 23; January 26-27; January 30; February 2-3; February 9-10; and February 13.

The next meeting of the FLW Board of Directors is scheduled on Wednesday, February 6 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. with a prayer provided by Sara Larson and a blessing.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbie Carmody, Secretary