

**First Lutheran Church (FLC), Marshall, MN**  
**Women of First Lutheran Board of Directors Meeting**  
**4/6/16– 5:15 pm – First Lutheran Church**

**Members Present:** Corlys Knudson, Bobbie Carmody, Ruth Quist, Shirley Bruns, DeAnna Zimmer, Sue DeSaer, Karen Murphy, Pam Larsen, Marissa Kunde, Pam Neet, Kim Christianson

**Members Absent:** Shirley Anderson-Porisch, Erin Moline, Dawn Planting, Janet Landby, Audrey Norris,

**Call to Order:**

Karen Murphy, President, called the Women of First Lutheran Board of Directors' meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

**Devotion** – Shirley Bruns provided the devotion on “What do you Know”? Everything is a loss compared to knowing Christ, we can't know everything or achieve perfection, but we can become wiser spending more time with God. The more we know, the easier it is to trust Him, show His love to all, and learn the things you need to know to do His will.

**Agenda Approval:**

Motion by Ruth Quist, seconded by Sue DeSaer, to approve the agenda with the additions of Vice President Vacancy and May Faith Message. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from the March 2, 2016 Board of Director's meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

**Financial Report:**

The financial report as of 3/31/16 was reviewed with current balances for checking at \$1,652.98 and savings at \$13,884.82. There was no activity in the quilter's budget. Marissa is going to visit with Dawn regarding where to designate the monies raised from quilt sales – into the Women's general savings or list it as designated for the kitchen remodel project. Motion by Corlys Knudson, seconded by DeAnna Zimmer, to approve the Financial Report as of 3/31/16 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Women's General Meeting:**

The next Women's General Meeting is scheduled on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> in between services. The meeting will be held in the Nursery with Kim and Corlys leading the meeting in Karen's absence.

**Prairie Spring Conference Gathering:**

The Prairie Spring Conference Gathering is scheduled on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Ruthton Community Center (church is not handicap accessible). The keynote is Laughter is the Best Medicine and will reference humor and attitude and the benefits of humor in life. The registration fee is \$10.00 and includes a noon meal and refreshments. An in-kind offering will be collected as well as craft supplies to be used for camps. A basket will be set up in the Narthex to collect supply donations with a list of supplies needed to be printed in the bulletin.

An invitation was also distributed on the Ascension Day Brunch scheduled on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Hope Lutheran Church in Minneota.

**SW MN WELCOA Synod Gathering:**

The Southwest MN Synod Gathering is scheduled on June 17-18<sup>th</sup> at Vinge Lutheran Church in Willmar, MN. The conference will begin at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, the 17<sup>th</sup> and 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 on Saturday, the 18<sup>th</sup>. The theme is “And the World is About to Turn” with Jerrid Sebesta, story teller, presenting on how to evoke change in people's lives. Dawn Planting has volunteered to be our voting member. Registrations for voting members are due June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Continued discussion regarding the gathering will be held at the May board meeting.

**Quilting Update:**

A thank you note was shared from John Hansen for the prayer shawl received. It was also noted that each Circle will be responsible for contributing a gift basket to the Annual June Shetek Quilt Auction. It will also be asked of Dawn to see if a donation of a prayer shawl will also be considered.

**Funeral Committee**

No funerals have been held since the last board meeting. Guidelines on hosting funerals for non-members will be researched. It was also mentioned to have funeral homes identify on checks what funeral it is for to help with recordkeeping purposes. Kim will follow up with the funeral homes regarding this.

**Kitchen Cleaning:**

The Annual Kitchen Cleaning is scheduled on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00 a.m. The Youth will be responsible for cleaning the fridge, stove, and the cupboard designated for the Youth. The cleaning will also consist of an inventory check. It was mentioned that three jelly roll pans and metal mixing bowls are missing. Please ask around to see if anyone has them or knows where they are. An email will be sent out to all women encouraging them to come and help with the cleaning.

**Other:**

May Faith Message – a slot is open to provide the May faith message. Please sign up if you are willing!

Vice President Vacancy – the Board is still in need of a Vice President. Advertisements will be done at general meeting, in newsletters, bulletins, and emails with the duties of the position provided. Interested persons should contact Karen Murphy.

The next meeting of the First Lutheran Women Board of Directors is scheduled on May 4, 2016, beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the Movie Room. Pam Neet is scheduled for the devotion.

Motion by Sue DeSaer, seconded by Marissa Kunde, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bobbie Carmody, Secretary