Minutes are unapproved until the next Council meeting

COUNCIL MINUTES November 14, 2018

List of attendees is attached.

**Call to Order – Review of Agenda:** Larry Dávila, Co-Moderator, called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M. Larry announced that two issues brought up at the last Council meeting will be dealt with by the staff rather than Council.

**Prayer Concerns/Celebrations of Church Family:**. Senior Pastor, Anne Scalfaro, reported about illnesses, deaths and celebrations within the church family.

**Gathering Norms:** Larry Dávila, Co-Moderator, led in the reading of the Calvary Council Gathering Norms.

**Approval of October Council Meeting Minutes**: The Minutes from the Council Meeting held on October 17, 2018, were approved as written.

**Church Highlights:** The following highlights were mentioned: watching the webcast during a recent illness was meaningful; the Trunk or Treat, under Angela Leonard's leadership, was successful; including pictures in the E-News adds interest; introduction of new members on Sunday was meaningful; Pastor Anne preached a powerful sermon last Sunday; moving the Thanksgiving meal for persons who are experiencing homelessness to January was a wise move.

**Financial Report:** Cindy Ponikvar, Treasurer, went over the Statement of Activity by Month and the Profit and Loss Budget Performance. (Attached) It will take several years to change over to a fiscal year calendar. Information about the change needs to be presented to the congregation at the Congregational meeting in January, 2019.

**Committee Reports:** Garland Thurman is stepping down from his role as Membership Team leader. He has two persons who may be interested in taking over the work. Nancy Johnson is inputting attendance into Servant Keeper. Many phone calls have been made by the team to learn some of the reasons why people are no longer attending Calvary. The personal contact is very important.

Ken DeHate, Resource Management, reported that the landscape project is almost completed. The lighting project is almost completed. The sound system in Fellowship Hall is ordered. A fiber optic cable is being installed on church property which will provide better service. As a result of the asbestos problem, the carpet in the sanctuary will be cleaned and the smoke bomb treatment will be done. Insurance for hail damage to gutters and roof has been filed. There is a \$5000 deductible.

Pastor Anne Scalfaro reported on the Partnership with New Hope Baptist Church. (See attachment.) Pastor Anne showed a video from the New Baptist Covenant. Calvary and New Hope Baptist are already doing many of the things suggested by the New Baptist Covenant. Our two churches will be forming an official Covenant of Action. A grant from the ABCRM region for this partnership has been received. Several activities between the two churches

are planned in the coming months. The Power Lunch Program at Stedman Elementary School will begin at the end of November.

Co-Moderator Larry indicated that more persons are needed to serve as greeters at the northeast doors by the children's wing. Pastor Anne will email the calendar of greeters to Council for more signups.

**What are you hearing? Unity of Message:** Please give items to discuss to Co-Moderators Sharon or Larry before the Executive Board meeting on the second Wednesday of the month.

- -- "Dinners for 9" is a great idea, but they are scheduled at a time of year that is too busy. The dinners can extend into January/February.
- --Sandra Shreve and Gordon Kieft will present the EUT summary next month.
- --Annual reports are due soon.
- --The Annual Congregational meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2019.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Next Council Meeting: December 19, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Margareta Jonell Church Secretary