

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL  
March 20, 2006

The Administrative Council met Monday, March 20, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Bill Pipkins, Chairman, called the meeting to order and John Fowler opened with prayer. Gene Hendricks gave the devotion.

The minutes were distributed and approved as presented.

Gene Hendricks reported that on February 27, the Stewardship, the Capital Campaign, and the Long Range Planning Committee met with Ernie Porter to discuss the financial situation of our church. They asked him to help us with the Stewardship and Capital Campaign. Gene asked us for our approval to hire him to do this. He will charge us 2.375% of the amount raised for the Capital Campaign. Gene handed out a Financial Report. Some discussion took place. Ken Moore made the motion to hire Ernie. The motion passed.

Gary Ball reported on the Care group program that is being organized. They are getting leaders to head each group. The target date for training will be April 24. John contacted Charles Kyker concerning how we go about training these people. Gary said that Mickey Lewis told him we would have a dedicated email address for these groups. The Care group Committee will meet this week to continue with the planning.

John reported that our Community Outreach Committee led by Charles Woodie will be meeting on March 30 concerning the Men's Homeless Shelter planning.

He also reported that the Holy Week Services will be held at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. We will have a Sunrise Service and Keith will have a special program during Easter for our church. We had 14 people join the church last Sunday. He said that some more people are considering joining our church.

Bill Pipkins said that we will be sending out an up date letter to our members on the financial condition of our church and to report on some good things that are happening at our church. This will inform our members about the good things that are going on as well as our finances.

Becky Crawford reported that Ronny Munday had to resign from the Staff Parish Relations Committee. Janet Spoon will be taking his place. There will be a welcoming reception for Keith next Sunday. The Staff Parish Committee will be meeting in April.

Ken Moore reported on the security system. He said that we could get a key and a security code so we can get into the church when it is not usually open. The Trustees will be meeting next month.

Sara Mursch reported that a group worked at The Soup Kitchen last Saturday. A Work Team has plans to go to Clyde next week. She said that Buzz Durham from Society of St. Andrews will talk to them and a community group on April 16 about a Harvest/Gleaning Project. On May 10, Don and Ramona Turman, missionaries from Indonesia, will talk with us at Faith Lift on Wednesday night. The committee has other activities going on.

Gene challenged all of us to ask people to come to the Wednesday night Faith Lift service. The Wednesday night services will stop at Memorial Day and then start back after Labor Day.

Jeff Joyce reported that a Shrove Tuesday Breakfast was held and was fairly well attended. Aaron did a wonderful job. Jeff said the committee is working on a program that will help get Christmas presents to the children of the prisoners in our Hudson Prison.

Jane Cummings said that we have 4 groups participating in Salt Shakers. Jane is looking at ways to work with our new members to help them learn about our church and meet our members. A new member celebration will be held on May 3.

Mickey Lewis said that the website is going well. There is training on the sound system.

Bob Lisk said that the Young At Heart is going well. They are going to see the Dead Sea Scrolls on April 10.

Wayne Haigler reported about the meeting with Ernie. He asked if we would drop the Capital Campaign Committee and merge it into another committee. There was no action taken.

Jane Morrow reported that we will have a Health Fair this year on Sunday, May 7 with the church picnic. She is working on a safe sanctuary policy. She is also writing health articles for the conference website. She said that we have 10 volunteer visitors who have been trained and they are visiting some of our church members.

Susan Morgan reported that the Chamber Of Commerce, Healthy Caldwellians, and Caldwell Pathway are working on an event to promote health in this county. On April 1 at the Lenoir Mall they will have the kick-off for this. This will promote health and encourage people to walk the trails in our county.

Barbara Love reported that the UMW raised \$1,250.00 this Sunday at the luncheon.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed by John with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Weiller, Secretary