

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Mary and Martha Minutes
October 16, 2022

There were 9 women in attendance and the Pastor.

The meeting was called to order. The attendance was taken and the offering envelope was passed around. It was agreed that the cash money portion of the offering for the meeting would be given to the two women who came to our church looking for help with rent money. The amount is unknown as it hadn't been counted yet. Two checks, which were a portion of the offering, will be deposited by the Treasurer. Pastor opened the meeting with a prayer.

Officer Reports:

Secretary's Report: The minutes of July 17, 2022 were presented. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was given.

Committee Reports:

Altar Committee: Fresh flowers for the altar will be purchased for Reformation Sunday. It was agreed that we should do our traditional Thanksgiving cornucopia altar decorations. These will be put up on November 6th. The silk poinsettias will be put up on December 4th and a real white one on December 18th for Christmas. Christmas falls on a Sunday this year. If anyone wants to donate real poinsettias they will be added to the altar.

Feeding His Lambs: One birthday and one baptismal card were sent out this past quarter.

Sunshine Committee: One get well card was sent since last quarter. Pastor suggested one be sent to a member who is experiencing kidney problems and is undergoing dialysis. Pastor also gave a brief update on our shut-ins.

Meal Coordinator: There were two volunteers to co-chair this committee for the upcoming quarter.

Old Business:

Kinship Sponsorship: We are not sure if our former student has graduated or not. Pastor said communications have been difficult in some of the countries we sponsor and that maybe the Treasurer can contact a CLC Kinship member to get an update on our former student.

Reformation Festival: St. Paul will be hosting the Front Range Reformation Festival this year. The meal will be potluck with St. Paul members contributing 'Something on a Bun', with additional hot sides,

chips or relishes. Cheyenne will bring desserts and Loveland will bring salads. We should count on serving between 50 to 60 people. The service is at 3:00 p.m.

National Women's Virtual Retreat: The President attended the virtual Zoom retreat and said it was wonderful to see women from all over American participate. She was able to make comments as it progressed. She said they hope to do it again in the future.

Kitchen Shower Update: An inventory was done and a sign-up sheet was posted on the vestibule bulletin board. Everything has been signed up for.

ILC Thank you note: A thank you note was received from the Banquet Committee thanking Mary & Martha for our contribution to the banquet festivities.

New Business:

Project Kinship: We have a new student we are sponsoring. He is from Lome, Togo. Hopefully we will get a biography about him soon. Pastor put in a blurb in today's bulletin regarding this new student, and that contributions from the congregation would be appreciated. They are due in January, 2023.

Advent/Christmas Schedule: The first Sunday in Advent is December 4th and that is when the church will be decorated. The potluck and shut-in basket preparation will be on December 11th. A notice will be put in the bulletin on November 20th of what will be needed for the baskets and information on the potluck. Pastor thinks that only four baskets will be needed this. If we can think of anyone who may be in need of a basket, please let Pastor know.

Adjournment: It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously. Pastor closed the meeting with a prayer.

Next Meeting: The next Mary and Martha meeting will be **Sunday, January 22, 2023.**

Respectfully submitted:
Mary & Martha Secretary