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St. Paul Lutheran Church
Mary and Martha Minutes
April 14, 2024

There were 11 women in attendance, Pastor and the church President.

The meeting was called to order. The attendance was taken and the offering envelope passed around. Pastor opened the meeting with a devotion from the book My Hand in His: God's Evergreens, and a prayer.

Officer Reports:

Secretary's Report: The minutes of January 14, 2024 were presented. There was one change. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as corrected. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The report was given. There were distributions made to the Kinship General Fund, our Kinship sponsorship; Snack boxes for students; and the ILC After-Banquet Party fund.

Committee Reports:

Altar Committee: After discussion, it was decided that the Easter altar decorations will be left up until the first of May.

Feeding His Lambs: Easter cards were sent to three children.

Sunshine Committee: Three get-well cards were sent this quarter.

Meal Coordinator: Two ladies volunteered to co-chair this committee for the upcoming quarter.

Old Business:

The Kinship and ILC banquet donations have been made. The banquet is May 4th.

New Business:

Flowers for front of church: The perennials planted last year are looking good. There are one or two that have died over the winter, so will be replaced and also get some annuals to fill in and also some for under the sign. It is uncertain as to when the changes will be made to the top planting tier. A date for accomplishing this is unknown. It was suggested that supervisor of the construction project inform Mary and Martha prior to construction, so that the plants in the upper tier can be dug up and saved. It was moved and seconded that monies be allowed to buy flowers for the front planters and under the church sign. The vote passed unanimously.

ILC Graduation:

There was discussion regarding whether Mary & Martha should do anything for the upcoming graduates. It is not in the Mary & Martha constitution to allow this, as these are personal celebrations.

There was a report made that work is being done on updating our streaming service. The streaming might be switched to YouTube. After the issues are solved, we will put a link to our services on our church website and the CLC website.

Pastor Report: He is not sure when the replacement of the top tier of the planting beds in front will be replaced or fixed. Redeemer in Cheyenne said they don't need anyone to bring food for Mission Festival, but will welcome any contributions. Our church is still looking into Vacation Bible School. We would probably advertise on Facebook instead of doing flyers. There has also been discussion on an outreach effort in Colorado Springs. There are maybe 10 to 12 people interested. This effort could possibly start this summer.

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

Next Meeting: The next Mary and Martha meeting will be **Sunday, July 14, 2024.**

Respectfully submitted:
Mary & Martha Recording Secretary

Addendum:

As per an email from the chairman of the Kinship Program, the yearly fee to sponsor a seminary student has increased. Therefore, after a brief meeting of available Mary & Martha members on Sunday, May 12, 2024, it was moved and seconded that we give the Treasurer permission to send in the additional balance to support our Kinship student. Motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

