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St. Paul Lutheran Church
Mary and Martha Minutes
October 13, 2024

There were 10 women in attendance, Pastor and St. Paul President.

The meeting was called to order. The attendance was taken and the offering envelope passed around. Pastor opened the meeting with a reading from Romans 6, 1-16, and a prayer.

Officer Reports:

Secretary's Report: The minutes of July 14, 2024 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. There were no distributions made.

Committee Reports:

Altar Committee: It was discussed and decided that we keep the same altar arrangements for Thanksgiving as in the past. For Christmas, a real white poinsettia will be purchased for the altar. The artificial ones are red.

Feeding His Lambs: No cards were mailed this quarter as there were no birthdays or holidays. There was discussion about adding the baby that has been coming with her parents recently, to the Cradle Roll. There are no Cradle Roll supplies as in the past, just various cards that are being sent to the older children. Pastor will check with the parents if they would like their baby to be included in the program. Maybe we can find cradle roll items off the CLC website, or our files, so we can start this program again.

Sunshine Committee: Three cards were sent this quarter.

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

Old Business:

Kitchen Shower: The kitchen shower is still in progress. There are a few items left that need to be purchased.

Altar Banners: The St. Paul President had thought it would be nice to have religious, seasonal banners in the altar area. Several ideas and resources were discussed, including looking at what other CLC congregations are doing, using other congregation's patterns and making our own (we could save money by doing this), and, consulting/asking a lady from Cheyenne to help make them (she is a retired teacher

and very artistic). He said he would think about these options including finding some examples of banners and discuss this at our next meeting.

On-line Streaming: It was reported that there are no updates on the changes to our streaming.

New Business:

Kinship Sponsor: It was suggested that Pastor start putting a note in future bulletins for donations to the Kinship Fund, since the annual donation amount has increased to \$600 per year. This payment is due in January. This would give us more time to reach our goal.

Holiday Event Schedule: Pastor will be conducting the service at Loveland on the second Sunday of each month, starting in November. This year the Thanksgiving service here will be on Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving. This will be voted on at the Voter's meeting in two weeks. For Christmas, it was discussed that December 1st will be decorating, December 8th will be the potluck, and the baskets will be filled on December 15th. At this point there will probably be four baskets to make, but Pastor will take a closer look to see if there are more to add to the list. Only non-perishables should be contributed. Instead of giving blankets, it was decided to include maybe a small gift. Someone volunteered to look into this. There might be good ideas through the CLC bookstore. Pastor will take care of getting the devotional booklets.

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, January 12, 2025**.

Respectfully submitted:
Mary & Martha Secretary