

**Bethany Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
July 5, 2018**

Present: Patty Fess, Joann Kilgus, Mike McCoy, Randy Nelson and Barb Olson.
Joann opened the meeting with prayer at 9:30 am.

Secretary Report

Secretary, Patty Fess, presented the Council Meeting Minutes dated May 15, 2018. Mike McCoy moved and Barb Olson seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer, Mike McCoy, distributed the Balance sheet and the Profit and Loss report for Bethany as of July 1, 2018. Mike said that our current position is strong. We have a little over \$79,000 in checking and savings. Our Sunday-to-Sunday offering is up as is our attendance over last year. Our total expenses are very much the same as last year.

Old Business

New Vacuum

Joann purchased a new Riccar upright vacuum with a fifty-foot cord to use at the church. It can lay rather flat which should be helpful to get under the pews. The old vacuum will be donated to Scand.

New Business

Furnace

The gauge on the oil tank sticks and even though it showed a quarter of a tank we are out of oil. The furnace most likely needs replacing as it is old and the burner is rusted. The council is considering replacing the furnace with wall units that would both heat and cool the church. Randy will call to get some bids.

Increasing the Council Size and Slate of Officers

We had good response to our request to add more Trustees to the council. The slate of Officers on the ballot will be:

President-Jane Nelson

Treasurer-Mike McCoy

Secretary-Patty Fess

The Trustees will be:

Ron Fischer

Joann Kilgus

Randy Nelson

Barb Olson

Jim Schwengel

This will bring the number on the council to 8 or 3 Officers and 5 Trustees, the number allowed by the Constitution.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Fess, council secretary