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#### Our Mission: To live in Christ and to share God's love.



#### **News & Views**

# September 2017

Coming up this fall...

SEPT. 10, 10AM SEPT. 16 SEPT. 17, 10AM SEPT. 23, 10AM OCT. 15 OCT. 21, 9AM-3PM OCT. 22, 5PM OCT. 28, 4-6PM OCT. 29, 11AM GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS DAY SERVE DINNER AT WHEELER MISSION RALLY DAY WORSHIP SERVICE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS GREATER INDY CROP HUNGER WALK CRAFT FAIR PUMPKINFEST TRUNK OR TREAT REFORMATION 500 WORSHIP & MEAL



# From the Pastors' Desk

#### Go Where the Spirit Blows, *Together*!

We've been asked by some of you a few times now, "How do I know what God is calling me to do?" or "How do I know what my spiritual gifts are?" and "What does God have planned with our church?"

These are very deep, complex questions....in some ways. One could spend an entire lifetime pondering them and still not come to anything satisfactory. But, a possible answer to them all could be, "OPEN YOUR EYES!!!!!"

What is God calling you to do? The work before you. How will you know what your gifts are? Trial and error; just try something! What does God have planned with our church? Check out the pages of this newsletter. How can you not see the Spirit moving through us!?

Our message this month is very simple: GET PLUGGED IN! The Spirit is blowing, inspiring us to thank our local first responders, feed the guests at Wheeler Mission, celebrate creation in the pets we love, take our worship to MorningSide, gather weekly for honest discussions, have Sunday school classes for all, collect canned goods and toiletries, gather together weekly to worship...and that's all just in one month! There will be even more ways to plug in when October comes around. Accept the invitation; spend time with your PVLC family; see where the Spirit blows us, together!

Blessings,

Pastor Sarah and Pastor Bob

# **Food for Thought**

# September 2017

Join the conversation! 7pm Thursdays @ Sahm's Ale House (near the corner of 86th & Westfield Blvd.)



#### **Jim Eaton**

# What is a God Moment?

I Googled the term and while there is no definitive definition, there are plenty of books, bloggers, and even mobile apps you can download. One author defined it in these terms: "A God moment occurs when God makes a certain point of letting us know God's alive and involved in our lives. God moments are all around us. We just have to learn to recognize them." I like that definition and pray that I can recognize more of these special God moments!

I would like to share a few with you that I have had in the past few weeks...

One was as simple as walking my dog on a quiet Sunday morning with the early morning sun beaming through the clouds while hearing the church bells from St. Luke's and St. Paul's.

A second one happened on the Sunday of our annual church picnic while I was outside grilling. It was a beautiful day and I could hear the Worship Team practicing and, later, the kids playing on the playground while the Latvian service was being conducted. I just sat there and watched while listening to the organ music, sipped lemonade, and smelled burgers on the grill. I truly felt God's presence!

Finally, the third time it happened was when I went to the church on a Wednesday evening to pick up something. Now I have to confess that sometimes I miss the old church with two services in the sanctuary, the choir, and some of the old members. But as Robert Kernodle states "that was then, this is now." That night as I pulled up, the Latvians were having a picnic in the outdoor classroom complete with fire pit, and as I walked into the church the Worship Team was practicing. I just kind of went: wow, isn't this great and amazing how alive our church is! What a special God moment and it only reassured me that God has our church exactly where God wants it: thriving and branching out to meet the needs of <u>all</u> in the community.

Again, I hope to recognize many more of the special moments and pray that they happen for you as well.

See You Sunday,





# **Special HVAC Appeal**

"The community of believers was one in heart and mind. None of them would say, "This is mine!" about any of their possessions, but held everything in common." - Acts 4:32

#### Dear Saint of Pleasant View,

First and foremost, we would like to thank everyone who took the time to engage in conversation with us and vote at our special congregational meeting on Sunday August 27th regarding the replacement of some of our HVAC units. The vote was unanimously in favor of proceeding with this large expenditure, which brings us to the topic of this letter: How do we pay for it?



First, we would like to share a little background information on this project itself. It is believed that the units for the Sanctuary

were approximately 27 years old and the units for the Administration Wing in excess of 17 years; so, we really have been living on borrowed time for a while now. Church Council has been very deliberate and diligent in addressing the issue of replacing these units. The total cost from this project is \$31,534. Understand that this is the best of the bids we received and is from a very respected and reputable company (Edwards) which includes a warranty and service agreement. The Council has looked into loans, met with our Memorial Committee about what they may be able to contribute, and, as a group, have decided the best way to start the process is through a special appeal to the congregation.

This is where you come in! We are asking you to support this project with specially-designated contributions as you are able. Many folks around here say that Pleasant View is "small but mighty," and that is so true! God has richly blessed and inspired our ministries and the community outreach that we are capable of through this great facility we have. We have followed God's call to share it with our neighbors as they need, and now we must maintain it to continue this ministry. While the total amount may seem eye-popping, through prayerful consideration we trust that we can raise sufficient funds to address the issue. Then, we can all rejoice in the cool comfort of the Sanctuary!

Please feel free to contact Jim Eaton, Mike Hohl, Pastor Bob, or Pastor Sarah if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to witnessing once again just how amazing God is through the members of PVLC!

# PET BLESSING - Saturday, September 23 - 10am

Calling all pets, pet owners, and anyone who loves animals!

Please join us at PVLC for a Pet Blessing to Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Our celebration will be outside in the playground courtyard area. This is for ALL pets and people to celebrate ALL of God's creatures. If you have a pet that has passed away and would still like to honor their memory, please bring a photo, collar/tag, or another item that belonged to your pet. We will be praising God for ALL creatures great and small!

There are just a few things to keep in mind for this event:

ALL pets MUST be on a leash, in a carrier, or in their proper container. While we definitely welcome all types of pets, please make sure your pet is secure for the safety of all.

Make sure your pet is animal and people friendly. If you are not sure that your pet will be comfortable at this gathering, please consider bringing a photograph of your pet so that we may include them in the celebration.

The entrance for the Pet Blessing will be through the SOUTH outside gate. Parking will be best in the SOUTH parking lot (the one with the flagpole near the Outdoor Classroom.)

\*In the event of inclement weather, we will meet under the portico in the east parking lot.

Our Pet Blessing service will be followed by light refreshments and treats! We hope to see you there! If you have any questions please contact Minda Hohl at mhohl@pvlcelca.org



#### PVLC PUMPKINFEST October 22 ~ 5:00PM

This is always such a great time with food, fellowship, and fall family fun for all! This event will take place in our Outdoor Classroom on the South side of the building.

Bring your own pumpkin for carving. All of the tools needed will be provided.

After all the hard work of carving, we will enjoy a meal together.

PVLC will provide Hot Dogs, Chips and S'mores. Please bring along a cooler with your favorite beverages along with a side dish to share if you are able.

#### Sign up begins October 1st.

If you have any questions please contact Minda Hohl at mhohl@pvlcelca.org

### HELP NEEDED!

#### Craft Fair - October 21 10 AM - 2 PM

We are in need of volunteers to serve concessions at our annual Craft Fair. This is a very simple task and it is a great way to help out!

#### Pumpkinfest - October 22

Set-up and Clean-up help needed! We will need a crew at 4:30 (before the event) and also a clean up crew of a short time afterward.

Please consider signing up in the Fellowship Hall to help with these fall events! If you have any questions please contact Minda Hohl at mhohl@pvlcelca.org

#### Sharing the Good News every Second Sunday at MorningSide!

As our seniors and disabled people enter assisted living communities, transportation to their home church for worship becomes increasingly difficult. However, most communities open their doors to bringing a worship service to the residents and their families right where they live. Our pastors have reached out and been given the opportunity to provide ministry to the residents at nearby MorningSide of College Park Retirement Community (located just north of the west 86<sup>th</sup> street Wal-Mart) at 8810 Colby Boulevard. This just happens to be the place where my parents reside. I am very excited to worship with them again as a family and bring Christ's love to all through prayer, communion, and song!

Beginning Sunday, September 10th at 3 p.m. Pleasant View will lead a monthly worship service at MorningSide. This service will always be on the second Sunday of the month with the pastors providing the pastoral leadership of the service, but we are looking for folks to read, help with communion, play/lead music, and just be there to worship and build relationships with residents. All ages are welcome! I've found the residents and staff to be very welcoming, friendly folks...they love when the little ones visit! If you want to help or come along for our first service (which happens to also fall on God's Work, Our Hands Sunday!) please let one of the pastors know. This will be a great way to bring our church out into our community! MorningSide's chapel is located on the lower level with access by elevator from the front doors. I hope you will join me in sharing the Good News to all at MorningSide each second Sunday!

Grace and peace, **Dawn** 

#### Help Wanted: Communion Set-up and Clean-Up for the ALIVE Worship Service

We are seeking additional volunteers to help set-up and put away Communion at the11am Alive Worship Service. While it is not a difficult task, the Pastors or one of our current volunteers would be happy to walk through everything with you. If you are interested in helping out or would like more information, please speak with either of the Pastors or Mary Swallender.



# September/Oct. 1st Worship Schedule

Sunday, Sept. 3	0.00	GRACE Service ONLY in Sanctuary***	
	9:00 AM	(due to Labor Day holiday)	
Sunday, Sept. 10	9:00 AM	GRACE Service in Sanctuary***	
	10:00 AM	Sunday School – Bake & Deliver Cookies to Fire Department 1 <sup>st</sup> Responders	
	11:00 AM	ALIVE Service in Fellowship Hall	
	3:00 PM	Service at MorningSide of College Park In the Chapel, lower level	
Sunday, Sept. 17	10:00 AM	ONE Worship Service in Fellowship Hall including: *Sunday School Rally Day *Bring canned goods/toiletries to donate	
Sunday, Sept. 24	9:00 AM	GRACE Service in Sanctuary***	
	10:00 AM	Sunday School/Confirmation in Classrooms	
	11:00 AM	ALIVE Service in Fellowship Hall	
Sunday, October 1	9:00 AM	GRACE Service in Sanctuary***	
	10:00 AM	Intergenerational Sunday School – Conference Rm	
	11:00 AM	ALIVE Service in Fellowship Hall	

\*\*Grace Service may require relocation to Fellowship Hall while HVAC unit is being replaced. Signs will be posted.



# 500 Year Celebration of the Reformation at PVLC & around the World

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 29 at 11 AM! Pleasant View and the Latvian Lutherans will celebrate the 500 year mark of the Reformation together with all Lutherans across the world! Join us for this special service with a bountiful meal following worship. Don't miss this exciting Sunday of celebration!

### **Education**

### **Margaret Stratford**



# SEPTEMBER is a busy month for school and our educational opportunities at PVLC are no different!

**KEEP these important dates on your calendars:** 



September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am - God's Work, Our Hands Day We'll be making cookies again for our 1<sup>st</sup> responders and delivering them to local firehouses. We're still seeking bakers for cookies and/or cookie dough! Plan to join us on the 10<sup>th</sup> to prepare, thank and share with our first responders! This is for everyone!

#### September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10am - RALLY DAY 2017

Celebrating educational opportunities at PVLC – Where does the WORD grow in your life???

The Parable of the Sower and the Seeds will be our main focus. But, also join us for the big reveal... "WHERE IN THE WORLD..." We will find out as a congregation where our 4 fleece blankets that we made last educational year went. We will learn a few little facts about the country and start our next blankets to send to somewhere else in the world!



Our 1<sup>st</sup> official day of Sunday School with all classes in session will be on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am, so plan to seek out the group where you feel the most comfortable to continue to allow the WORD to grow in your life:

- \* Adults will continue studying the book of Revelation in the Conference Room
- \* High Schoolers will be studying the Faith Lens series in the Youth Room
- \* The Confirmation students will be studying the life of Jesus in the Confirmation Room
- \* Elementary-aged children will be studying Abraham in the Sunday School Room
- \* And, if your preschool-aged child would like a class, let us know and we'll have something for them too!

### **Education**

#### September 2017

#### what: FLEECE TIED BLANKETS!

- Why: Because they are warm, sturdy and a snap to make! No sewing required!
- Who: This project is great for any group that wants to provide gifts of comfort and warmth to those in need. It's an especially great activity for Sunday school classes, youth groups, Vacation Bible School classes and intergenerational groups.

#### MATERIALS:

- Two pieces of fleece 58" 59" wide x 80" long\*
- Ruler
- Chalk or fabric pen
- Sharp fabric scissors

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Place the first piece of fleece with the right side (with the brightest pattern or finish) DOWN. Layer the second piece on top of it, with the right side UP. Smooth the layers together so they lie flat. Edges and corners don't need to match exactly.
- Using the ruler and fabric pen, mark a line 3" 3 ½" from the edge of the fabric all the way around.
- Out out a square at each corner and discard. Cut tabs from the edge of the fabric to the line, about 1" - 1 ½" apart, through both pieces of fleece.
- G Tie the top and bottom pieces of fleece together using the pairs of tabs you just cut. Use a secure double-knot, but don't pull too tight and stretch or tear the fleece.
- Check to be sure that the tabs are not longer than 2" long; trim any that are.

\*IMPORTANT: Check out LWR's fabric guidelines at lwr.org/getinvolved/assembly to ensure your gifts of love can reach the hands that need them.



#### Some important guidelines to remember:

\*Fleece typically comes in widths of 58" or 59". If you buy fleece from a fabric store, you can ask them to cut the length to 80", saving you the step of measuring and cutting the pieces yourself.

\*Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group's name.

\*Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

# Outreach



### Wheeler Mission Trip – September 16, 2017

Join us for an afternoon of fun & fellowship as we serve a meal to those less fortunate in Indianapolis!

- Who 11 people willing to serve Indy's less fortunate. Great opportunity for JR high/HS kids and young adults
- When Saturday, September 16 Take bus – leaves intersection of 73<sup>rd</sup>/Hoover at 3:15 PM Bus Fare \$1.75 1-way (need exact change) If you can't make the bus, drive down and meet us
- WHEELER JESUS 3% SAVES MISSION
- Where Wheeler Mission Shelter for Men- 520 E. Market 5 block walk from Transit Center bus stop Parking available for those not able to take the bus (meet us at 4:15 PM) We'll eat dinner as a group at Bazbeaux pizza downtown after serving

Why – Service to our fellow human, fellowship with each other
1,599 homeless in Indy based on 1-night survey conducted January, 2013
4,500-7,500 people will experience homelessness this year in Marion County
Wheeler continues to serve an average of 4 new men each day
Up to 400 men served each night during winter
Provide homeless men the essentials so the can then progress to enrollment
in mental health/addiction programs to assist with re-entry into society.

Do you want to help? Please sign up at/after church on September 10 to assist. The first 11 people are in. If you can't serve, we are also taking donations! Donation bins available in the hallway of the fellowship hall. Donations of toiletries are greatly appreciated.

#### Dave



#### Thank You From Your Hospitality Leader Lori Eaton

Wow what an awesome outdoor worship service and church picnic! The turnout was great! (Gotta give little Emma a lot of credit for that!) I really appreciate all the people that pitched in with some really good food. I would be remiss not to give a big shout out to our grill-master, Jim. I also want to thank some of the ladies that helped out in the kitchen and especially with clean up. I was moving a little slow by then and their help was greatly appreciated. Those wonderful ladies are: Amber S., Jane B., Kim K., Susan S. and Mary S. I know there were others and I apologize for not naming you here. As always, Charlie S. did a great job with set-up.

Next up for hospitality is a combined luncheon with the Latvians celebrating the 500 year anniversary of the Reformation. We are still working on the details, so please keep your eyes open for more information soon!

See you next thyme, Loui



Holiday Craft Fair Extraordinaire

An Outreach Ministry of Pleasant View Lutheran Church

We are seeking the creative, the clever, and the crafty! Showcase your unique crafts at our PVLC Craft Show.

Date:	October 21, 2017
Time:	9 a.m 3 p.m.
Location:	
	801 West 73 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Indianapolis, IN 46260

 Table Fee: \$35.00

 There are two different table sizes available on a first come, first serve basis.

**Table registration is due by Monday October 2, 2017**. To submit an application, please complete the form below. Checks should be made payable to Pleasant View Lutheran Church and can be mailed with the registration form to The Pleasant View Church office. (Please note "craft fair" on the check.)

As an outreach ministry of Pleasant View, all proceeds collected from table fees will be donated to Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services in support of their ministry. For more information about LIRS please visit their website at www.lirs.org.

Vendor set-up will be on Friday, October 20, 2017 from 6-8 p.m. We look forward to seeing you in October!

For more information, please contact Chris Robin, Coordinator Phone: 317-752-9253 Email: robinchristm@gmail.com

<b>Registration Form</b>			
Contact Information Name: Email: Phone:			
Product Information Description of items to be sold:			
Number of tables needed:			
Need Electric Hook-up? (please circle one)	Yes	No	

## **News & Views**

# September 2017

August Giving				
8-6	\$5,482.00			
8-13	\$4,018.00			
8-20	\$1,272.00			
8-27	\$2,029.00			

August Worship Attendance					
8-6	20	27			
8-13	22	29			
8-20	82				
8-27	11	42			

Mortgage Balance: \$33,835.60



#### Saturday, Oct. 28, 4-6pm

You are encouraged to participate in our first ever Trunk or Treat to serve the children of our community. Clear the date on your calender now and sign ups will be soon!



# Welcome to the PVLC Family Emma Rae Beck, Child of God Baptized August 20th



#### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

5th- Connie Shella 5th- Steven Myers 8th- Mary Swallender 10th- Robert Hembree 13th- Matthew Bird 20th- Robert Kernodle 21st- Jane Bird 25th- Robyn Stratford

## August 2017

#### PVLC Special Council Meeting 08/07/2017

Present: Amber S.; Dave H.; Dawn G.; Pr. Bob N; Jane B.; Jim E.; Jon S.; Karen M.; Mike H.; Pr. Sarah N. Guests: Charlie S.

Devotions – Jim E. (Mark 1)

Good News Thankful for cooler weather

HVAC unit discussion – Mike H.

Sanctuary (27 yrs old) and Admin Wing (21 yrs old) Units are beyond repair and replacement is best advised

Multiple quotes to replace obtained by facilities Propose going forward with quote from Edwards Payment due at 30 days after installation complete Latvian & ACH are understanding and patient IPL assistance– Jane B provided information

**Constitution Requirements:** 

Expenditure is over 10% of budgeted receipts 10% = \$24,647 Estimated Expenditure = \$30,961 Congregational Vote is required. Vote would be to approve expenditure of estimated \$30,961\* \*Waiting for quote to replace two of the thermostats

Congregational Meeting for Approval:

Meeting scheduled for August 27, @ Noon Jim E- draft letter notifying of meeting Jim E- help fill envelopes & mail by 8/16/17 Meeting to be announced at worship the next 2 Sundays

Payment Plan and Options:

Unsecure Loan Begin Pre-approval for full amount Request only what is needed for the loan based on appeal amount. As additional HVAC donations come in, continue to pay off the loan Congregational Appeal Memorial Request – Funds given in memorial of

Gerry Sampson (3, 655.86)

Inquiries and Suggestions

Question: Why Edwards?

Answer: 24/7 availability; Responsive; Multiple services within same company; reputation and reliability

Questions: Service plan with new company to maintain all the units?

#### Answer: Yes

Question: Can we change current thermostats to programmable thermostats and what is the additional cost?

Answer: Mike H will research and obtain additional quote

Question: What is the efficiency gained by changing to new units?

Answer: Healthier for the environment due to the issues with the units and safety.

Question: Provide what was be spent monthly on maintenance prior to replacement at meeting?

Answer: Request info. from Kim K. if needed

Question: Will we re-establish the maintenance reserve fund?

Answer: Yes- will assess what amount monthly can be saved toward this designation so that the fund is sustainable.

Question: Why was it taking away? Answer: The designation was not sustainable and did not have enough funds to back up the amount needed.

Council Vote: Move forward with congregational vote and special appeal to gain the funds to replace HVAC units.

> Motion to Vote: Jane B Second: Jim E. Unanimously approved.

Motion to adjourn: Jim E Second: Jon S. Closed with the Lord's Prayer

The next meeting will be Monday August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 @ 6:30pm

### August 2017

#### PVLC Council Meeting 08/21/2017

Present: Amber S.; Pr. Bob N; Dawn G; Jane B.; Jim E.; Jon S.; Karen M.; Kim K.; Lori E.; Margaret S.; Mike H.; Pr. Sarah N.

Devotions - Jim E. - Christ of your Monday's

#### Good News

Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup> was wonderful Outdoor Worship & Baptism of Emma Rae Beck Annual Church Picnic Neighbors heard Alive band practice & stopped by Pr. Sarah – great job on sermon Amy Lou's gratefulness for support Solar Eclipse

#### **General Questions & Discussion**

New Coffee Maker is currently missing. HVAC

> ACH has resumed classes. PVLC purchased box fans to help cool affected classrooms Loan application- Mission Investment Fund 2 council officers to sign loan application Application to be sent to begin process and get pre-approval

Congregational Appeal Letter: To be sent out following Congregational Meeting Included in September Newsletter

#### PASTOR'S REPORT

August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Resolution Choir/Service Saturday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>: Pet Blessing: Playground/Grassy area @ 10 am Rain Location: Under the Main Entrance Portico 30 minute service Homemade treats for pets Refreshments for humans

Sept 6<sup>th</sup> Bread for the World: Celebration Party Location: St Aquinas Time: 6pm

Sept 10<sup>th</sup>: Lutherfest: 4:30p – 7pm Location: Athenaeum Meal: free October 29<sup>th</sup>: Reformation Celebration Joint Worship- Latvian and PVLC, 11:00am in Sanctuary Combined meal following worship

Plant an olive tree at Mt. Olives – Cost: \$1000 Get Plaque in the hallway of the Augusta Victoria Hospital Some of the donation goes to vocation training program Some of the donation goes to the actual planting of the tree Move Forward doing this? No - Will reconsider for PVLC's 175 year anniversary Discussion for other ideas: Keep it local – Food Pantry Memorial Garden Provide the translation of the word of God to organizations (bibles, easy-reading) Support Rose house campus ministry or wheeler mission Trunk or Treat Saturday Oct 28<sup>th</sup>: 4:00-6:00pm Would want at least 10 trunks (vehicles) to participate Invite Latvians and God's Grace to participate and come Signups available ahead of time Morningside of College Park (Assisted living/care) PVLC to lead worship service every second Sunday of the month @ 3pm **Beginning: September 10th** Food for Thought Sessions: Continuing and going well; Questions continue to come in Thursday's, 7pm @ Sahm's Ale house **PVLC Website Update:** Pictures and information updated AMMPRO Ministry - not at this time

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Facility/Grounds – Mike H. August 27<sup>th</sup>: Congregation Meeting-Vote to approve HVAC expenditure To replace/purchase two new thermostats- \$573 New total HVAC replacement cost- \$31,534

# August 2017

Outreach – Dave H.

September 16<sup>th</sup>: Wheeler Mission Meet at PVLC at 3:00pm Serve Dinner at Wheeler at 4:30pm 11 people needed Signup Sheets will be made available soon

Education – Margaret S.

Defibrillator (fully automatic): Estimated Cost of \$1,400 Red Cross: Provide prescription Machine would provide CPR support; Timing correct; Depth Comparison chart -Margaret to provide the comparison chart via e-mail Latvian offered to pay for ½ of the device Training: \$900 minimum of 8 people Would be open to PVLC and tenants Price break ends Sept 30<sup>th</sup> for the AED suggest decision at next council meeting

August 27<sup>th</sup>: Education Workgroup meeting Clean out Sunday School office for the new yea

Confirmation: Found new material to review

Sept 10<sup>th</sup>: God's Work Our Hands Day Make cookies and deliver 2 fire stations

Sept 17<sup>th</sup>: Rally Day: Skit and Location of Blankets revealed

Sept  $24^{th}$ :  $1^{st}$  class for all ages

October 1<sup>st</sup>: Intergenerational – Martin Luther

October 22<sup>nd</sup>: Pumpkin Fest Hot dogs provided and bonfire

Adult Education

Potentially Suspending Revelations study if new material is available Proposed Material: *By Heart* – Not available yet

Worship – Dawn G.

Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> (Labor day weekend) Grace service only 9am

October 29<sup>th</sup>: Joint Reformation Worship @ 11am Joining with Latvians Lunch following worship

Finance – Kim K.

Per Tom M. Account Balance: \$14,783 New offering envelopes: ½ the cost with new design Hospitably – Lori E. GFS Cards used to purchase supplies Pastors to provide Lori with GFS Cards available in office

October 29<sup>th</sup>: Reformation Celebration Germanic Theme and touch base with Latvian Hospitably Propose Latvians provide Appetizers, Breads, Deviled Eggs please! Propose PVLC provide main course and sides

Staffing – Jon S Office Admin search on hold until HVAC works

Motion to adjourn: Jane B. Second: Jon S. Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Newsletter deadline Monday August 28th @ midnight

The next meeting will be Monday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 6:30pm.

### August 2017

#### Congregational Meeting 08/27/2017

Quorum: Yes Opening Prayer– Pr. Bob Open Remarks – Council President: Jim E.

Discussion/Questions

 Q: Who is the company being recommended?
 A: Edwards
 Note: Edwards will be covering not only HVAC but future plumbing & electrical needs

Q: What does the estimate cover?

A: Replacement of 4 HVAC units, including but not limited to the rooftop units, thermostats, crane cost, labor, etc. Note: Old units were installed 1990-1998

Q: Is it heating and air condition? A: Yes

- Q: How long is the warranty good for? A: 2 years
- Q: Does warranty include compressor? A: Yes
- Q: And it covers everything? A: Yes
- Q: How many quotes were obtained by facilities? A: Reached out to 3 companies, received 2 quotes

#### Q: What was the cost of maintaining these units? A: Approx. \$800-\$1000 per month for the 4 units that are in need of replacement

- Q: Will Edwards taking over maintenance on other units? A: Yes
- Q: Will we be extending an appeal to other groups using our facility to contribute if they feel so moved?
  A: Yes, if they feel so moved to donate, but with the understanding that PVLC views opening our facility for use as an expression of our outreach ministry and presence in our community. Therefore, we will not place any further financial burden or expectation on any groups that utilize the facility.

Q: What is the proposed plan to pay for the expenditure?
A: Next step is to begin the congregational appeal process. Upon Congregational approval, application to Mission Investment Fund for Ioan pre-approval of full amount (31,534)
Note: The actual Ioan amount taken will be determined by what cost remains following congregational appeal.
Congregational Appeal- Letter to be sent out to the congregation soon.

Memorial funds are available if necessary

Q: What is the timeline?

A: As stated above, upon congregational approval, the appeal process will begin immediately.
Facilities will contact Edwards in the next few days to authorize work to begin.
It may take approx. 2 weeks for Edwards to order everything and get everything ready
The hope is to begin work mid to late Sept. 2017

- Q: Do we have a maintenance reserve fund?
   A: Not for the last couple of years, but council has discussed and will plan to reinstate the maintenance reserve fund and research a sustainable amount to save per month for the next HVAC unit replacement.
- Q: When will the current mortgage be paid off? A: September 2018
- V: Congregational Vote

A: The purpose of this meeting is to seek congregational approval by vote to authorize the expenditure of \$31,534 to replace the 4 HVAC systems for the Sanctuary, Administrative wing and middle portion of the building.

- B: Motion to Vote: Jane Bird
- C: Second: Robert Kernodle
- D: Congregational Vote: Number of Yays: Unanimous (30) Number of Nays: Zero

Meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer