

July 31, 2011 Semi-annual Meeting Minutes
Respectfully submitted by Sarah Christensen, Secretary

Welcome and Devotions – Kathy Loken

Meeting was called to order at 9:40am by Kathy Loken, President

January's annual meeting minutes will be provided to the congregation via Zion's website

70 Zion Lutheran Church members were in attendance

Agenda

1. Treasurer's Report – Susan Schraier

- Thank you to all of the members who have given to meet the ministry needs of Zion.

2. Pastors' Report

- Here are just some of the ministry areas which are a cause for celebration:
 - 91 kids attended Vacation Bible School in July 2011.
 - Approximately 150 people attended Zion's Summer Fest at Winona Pool include many who participated in Vacation Bible School but are not current members of Zion.
 - Teri Hopkins resigned as Parish Administrator. We all thank her for her service.
 - Brooke Loftus was hired as the new Parish Administrator.
 - Zion has been hosting families for 10 years via the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN).
 - 2011 was the first year that Zion held an Easter Vigil Service. It was exciting and well received with over 100 people in attendance
 - All funding needs were achieved to place video screens and projectors within the Sanctuary. Full implementation should be complete in September 2011.
 - A new ministry was formed called "Creative Arts" where people can use their talents by bringing art projects to Zion that enhance the environment of the church and worship services. They were responsible for the beautiful decorations in the Sanctuary during the Easter Season.
 - Zion is collecting school supplies for Burmese refugees, and the new immigrants are learning American cleaning techniques which are different from their more basic environment in Burma.
 - A new committee is looking at leadership development within the church by expanding leadership roles beyond the Church Council and Committee Leaders and matching Spiritual Gifts with opportunities within the church.
 - With the ever increasing number of prayer shawls, the Connecting Hearts committee is using the shawls as an outreach opportunity to care for those in need within the Loveland community.
 - On August 28, 2011, Zion will conduct its first Blood Drive.
 - Ginger Martin is retiring as Chancel Choir Director at Zion effective September 1, 2011. We thank her for her years of service.
 - Zion is beginning the implementation of the Natural Church Development Process. The goal is to understand where God is leading us. A Health Team has been formed to develop a one year that will make Zion an enhanced church. The results of a survey taken by 30 representatives of Zion will set the direction and focus area for the Health Team.
 - Zion thanks Pastor Joel Pancoast and Pastor Sonja Pancoast for their 3 years of ministry and pastoral leadership.

Adjourn → 9:55am