

PROPERTY COMMITTEE/DCS UPDATE

We are sure there has been much said about the actions and planned actions of your Property Committee and Dirty Collar Workers. We would like to provide you with an update regarding what has been going on and what we hope to accomplish in the near future. Keep in mind that the below is not all inclusive.

Our normal Monday routine for the Dirty Collar Workers includes taking care of all the lawn maintenance less the area around the sanctuary and courtyard (that is taken care of by a different group), picking up leaves in the fall, making both the sanctuary and chapel ready for the next weeks service, replenishing kitchen supplies when needed, keeping the plants watered and changed in front of the sanctuary and courtyard, trimming of trees and bushes as needed around the campus, keeping the attendance and communion records up to date, back up the custodian during his vacation, and any other odd jobs that comes our way.

Over the last 9 months the following actions have taken place: replacement of the A/C unit in the secretary's office; had a gas line repaired behind the kitchen; changed out all lights in the sanctuary (not including the basement) to LED lights (except for 2 and when they burn out we will figure out how to gain safe access to them); repaired the urinal in the basement of the sanctuary; repaired the 3 urinals in the education building along with wall repair and paint that wall; replaced and painted a wall in the ladies bathroom under the sinks; changed the locks out in the parsonage; replaced the security lights at the parsonage; replaced the facial board on our shed; and we are sure there are some other smaller projects that we have completed. We have also had both the heating and A/C units serviced in the parsonage (not part of our GSM contract).

A couple of items to be accomplished in the future that are already approved and funded are the repair work on the church bell (schedule to be determined) and change out of the lights in the Family Life Center to all being LED (schedule to be determined). Regarding the lights in the FLC, once this project is complete, you can expect it to be much brighter in there. We have become very accustomed to the lights in there currently but only about 60% of them work (or

less). So be advised that it will be much different.

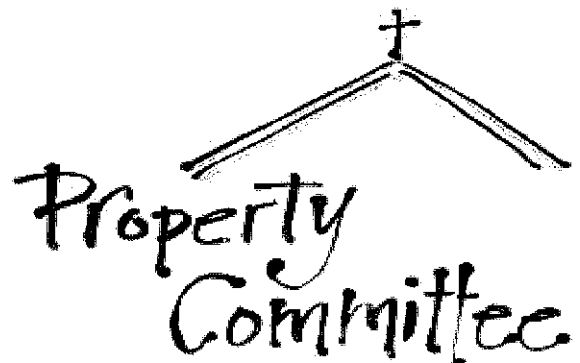
We are currently in the process of evaluating two vendors to change the drainage system on the south side (cemetery side) of the sanctuary. The current system has become non-functional and has caused flooding in the basement in the past. We are also waiting on a proposal to replace the lights in our breezeway and drive-thru with LED fixtures. Our current lights are becoming non-functional and replacement of them to a more modern lighting system is what we need. We also need to replace the drainage line behind the parsonage as it is pretty much plugged up, and made of Tera Cota pipe that has collapsed in a couple of places thereby hindering water flow which causes the basement to get flooded when we get heavy rains. There are also some boards that need replacing in the breezeway roof (outside the FLC and FH). It is all but time for the roof on our shed to be replaced as well. There are at least 3 pieces of plywood that need replacing, and the shingles are around 20 years old.

We have been dealing with two primary hindrances in getting some of both the past and the future items accomplished. With the economy doing well (which normally benefits us all), many of our projects are looked at as too small for our vendors to be interested. And the other (and always will be the case) is our own funding. Fortunately thus far, our council has found funding for all projects under contract.

With the funding thought, we have had many contributions to some of our efforts outside of church funding. Some of the lights for the sanctuary were purchased by one of our members, as well as a new golf cart, a pressure washer, some lumber to replace facial board, a gutter for the shed, paint for the lamps in front of the sanctuary. Those items come to mind, but there are others.

We are sure that we have overlooked many items, but we want the congregation to be updated on what we have accomplished and plan to accomplish (assuming we can afford it) in the near future.

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Fellow Congregations of the Southwest Conference,

The Lutheran Men in Mission organizations would like to invite you and your congregation to what has become an annual event to be held at Baker's Buffalo Creek Winery, off the Fallston-Waco Road, on Sunday August 18th beginning at 5:00 with a meal being served at 5:30 pm and Vespers at 6:30 pm.

Lutheran Men in Mission Sponsor a Summer Picnic, Ice Cream Social, and Vesper Service August 18th, 2019.

We will hold the now annual Lutheran Men in Mission Annual Family Picnic and Vesper Service at Baker's Buffalo Creek Winery on Sunday, August 18th.

You may arrive any time after 5:00 pm.

The Tasting Room will be open and we will have hot dogs and the fixings with homemade ice cream being served about 5:30 pm

Pastor George Rhyne will lead our Vesper Service in the Chapel area overlooking the South Mountains and the fields of the Baker farm at 6:30 pm.

This is a family event. We will have corn hole boards and some children's games planned before the Vesper Service.

Charles and Ann Edwards will provide the wine from Baker's for our communion.

Plan to attend this summer event. To help us plan, please send an email (wsweller@aol.com) or text message to Jack Weller at 704-473-5282 letting him know the number of people attending. If we have the information by Tuesday, August 15th, we will be able to have enough food ready for the event.

Look forward to hearing from you soon.

Jack Weller

