

BELLA VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH

Congregational Special Meeting

August 21, 2011

Call to Order: Chairman Mark Bernthal called the meeting to order at 9:53 a.m. and led the congregation in prayer.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and vote on the following proposal from the Board of Directors:

“We propose that Bella Vista Lutheran Church, as a congregation, match the cash gifts that our members have already contributed, up to \$5,000, from our Cash Reserve Fund and send those funds to the relief efforts coordinated by Immanuel Lutheran Church in Joplin, Missouri.”

Walt Heyne, Administrative Ministry Team Leader, explained the financial details of the transaction and that a check would be hand delivered to Immanuel by Dee Hachinsky, our coordinator for the Joplin relief effort.

Following brief discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mark announced that the draft revised Constitution and draft Bylaws are in the mailboxes and that an open forum to discuss the documents is scheduled for Sunday, September 25, 2011 at 2 p.m. with the vote to come at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, October 23, 2011 at 2 p.m. He recognized the Ad Hoc Committee that prepared the documents: Sonja Burkett, chair, George Albers, John Hughes and Robert Svehla.

Mark also announced the formation of a Nominating Committee to seek candidates for the Board of Directors. Gene Roy will chair the committee and be assisted by Miriam Gustaf. There will be three vacancies for two-year terms beginning in January 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 a.m. and closed by singing the Doxology.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonja Burkett, Secretary