

Lutheran Church of the Cross
"Making Jesus Known by Sharing Our Gifts"
Council Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2018

Meeting was called to order by President Tom Harris at 6:32pm

Attendance: Pastor Lisa, Kylie Blanchard, Jon Hanson, Tom Harris, Brian Johnson, Heather Martin, Jeff Thomas, Ken Will, Connie Werner, Art Wheeler

Devotions: Mark 4:21-25 A Lamp Under A Bushel Basket, "Let anyone with ears to hear, listen."

Approval of May 8th Minutes – Brian J motion/Heather M second/APPROVED

1. Change to Treasurer's Report in May minutes, per Art Wheeler. "Regarding QuickBooks, the Pro Advisor portion of \$503 was paid last year and it is good until May of 2020. The only payment this year is the 3-yr. plan for Payroll service, that came to \$1704 which included tax. It was billed to me and the church has reimbursed me the \$1704."
2. Worship and Music will continue to meet throughout the summer, no formal C2 meetings are scheduled and committees will meet as needed.

Calendar – Reviewed upcoming events in June, July, August

- Lunch at Trinity Lutheran Church, Saturday, June 30th, 11-2 p.m., LCC is hosting, volunteers are needed and Cheryl Moore is the lead. This was not budgeted for in our 2018 budget, needs to be accounted for in 2019.
- Summer picnics June 13, July 11 and August 8 will begin at 5:30 with a service at 6:30, outdoors weather permitting.
- Council Meetings will continue to be the second Tuesday at 6:30. C2 will not be held during the months of June, July and August.

Pastor Lisa

1. Vacation Bible School went well! Could have used more volunteers, need to promote more next year since LCC is hosting, possibly in August versus June.
2. Pastor Lisa, Ken Will and Art Wheeler went to the special meeting for Camp of the Cross new construction. Lack of funds was discussed, and it was proposed that their Endowment Fund be used as collateral. \$350K to borrow another \$350K, this would finish the kitchen and bathrooms. There was an unanimous vote of yes to proceed.
3. Janie Hague has accepted the position of Director of Discipleship and will start on July 9th.
4. Bismarck Larks are hosting a fund raiser for Camp of the Cross on July 17th. P. Lisa proposed that LCC purchase 30 tickets for \$600 and advertise with

announcements, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space. Attendees have the option to donate the cost back to the church.

Jeff T motion/Kylie B second/APPROVED

5. Area churches are wanting to establish a Campus Ministry. This would require the establishment of a governing board with one (1) representative from each congregation. P. Lisa would like input for representatives from our church. We would then raise money to send our representative. Recommend we include a budget line item for this activity in 2019.
6. Rally Day, we would like to recognize our charter members with cake and coffee after the service. Invites will be sent to members and their families.
7. Rally Day, one idea is to invite Highland Acres Elementary school and United Church of Christ to participate in a blood drive, hosted at LCC. This would be one of our "service projects" and would be held on Saturday, September 8th. Other ideas are welcome and will focus on the ELCA "God's Work, Our Hands", with t-shirts, June 9th and 12th.
8. Worship and Music will be ordering 25 additional hymnals, cost will be covered by memorials that have been received in the past few months.
9. P. Lisa will be on vacation from June 27th to July 5th. Pastor Bloom will be preaching, and Pastor Heaton will be assisting.
10. A recap of the Western ND Synod Assembly was provided by P. Lisa and President Tom.

Treasurer's Report – Jon H motion/Brian J second/APPROVED

1. All bills and statements as of May 31st have been paid.
2. A 2018 prepaid income general journal entry was made for \$1,525.00.
3. May bank statements have been reconciled and registries are correct.
4. Total income for April was \$23,661.29, which exceeded expenditures of \$21,833.12 by \$1,828.17. However, the total income was less than the budget of \$30,319 by \$6,657.71.
5. Total income for the year is \$148,303, which as of May 31st, leaves us short of the budget goal by \$3,292. We must hope that the summer shortfall doesn't accelerate during the next three months.
6. Janie Hague is enrolled in Portico as of July 1st. Her ending date with Lord of Life has moved up to July 2nd and current insurance is ending on June 30th.
7. Remain vigilant with our budget and encourage additional giving!

Council Member Portfolio Discussion

1. Ken Will – Generosity Action Team (Handout)
2. Heather Martin – Worship and Music, a strong group that deals with multiple issues.

3. Continued work needs done clarifying duties and duty descriptions in all areas.

Old Business:

Planning for Janie Hague's arrival.

1. She is looking for a desk and will be reimbursed or use one that is donated (so far, that has not happened).
2. Computer will be updated and a larger monitor has been donated.
3. Office will be painted next week (Jon).
4. Welcome party at the July picnic on July 11th and on Sunday, July 15th.

New Business:

1. Think about fall planning events and 2019 budget.
2. Security and Safety Facilities Review. Tabled until July meeting.
3. Barb Thomas has volunteered to pain the boulevard sign, thank you!
4. Request from Cherie Krueger for the "Bismarck-Mandan Newcomers Club" to meet at the church. They meet once a month from Sept thru May, except December and January, 1st Tuesday of the month with a board meeting from 6-7 p.m. and general member meeting from 7-9 p.m.

Jon H motion/Jeff T second/APPROVED

Next Meeting: July 10th, 6:30pm

President Tom adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Thank you for what you do for Lutheran Church of the Cross!