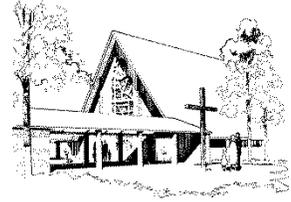


**Congregational Meeting  
St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
7595 Center Pkwy, Sacramento, CA 95823  
December 9, 2018**



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*Merle Zbrog*

Secretary

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Maki at 12:05 p.m. In discussing meeting length, the shortest meeting was 10 minutes; the longest meeting 2 hours. Shall we try to beat that record?

**OPENING REMARKS**

1. Pastor Hoppman thanked Paul Maki for his four years of service as president of our council and he thanked Clarence Korhonen for the brilliant suggestion.
2. According to the church’s constitution C12.02 no one can serve more than four consecutive years; a mandatory year off is required.
3. We have been blessed with an amazing confirmation class this year who are excited about growing in the Lord.

**OPENING PRAYER**

- After a marvelous potluck luncheon, Pastor Hoppman opened the meeting with prayer.

**BOARD REQUESTS FOR VOLUNTEERS**

It takes a lot of volunteers to make our church run. There are many opportunities to volunteer...

1. **Evangelism** – Carole Vance asked for volunteers in the following areas:
  - a) **Refreshments:** We need people to bring refreshments (for about 20 people) on Sundays. Obligated for every other month. Ron Webb makes the coffee in the mornings. Volunteers are needed to set up, serve, and clean up on Sundays.
  - b) **Visitors’ Gifts:** Hand out gifts to new visitors after worship.
  - c) **Greeters:** Sign-up sheet is on the opportunity table.
2. **Community Concerns** – Faith Thomas reminded the congregation that we are all members of this committee. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
3. **Property Board** – Kelly Boyer asked for volunteers for this group.
4. **Ushers** are needed.

## **President Paul Maki's Remarks**

There are many opportunities to serve and to live out our mission statement: *"By the power of the Holy Spirit, we accept God's call to spread the Good News, serve those in need, and share the victory of Jesus Christ throughout the world."*

The last four years has been so exciting to be the president of St. Luke's and to see the mission statement come alive. We are part of the community out there. We have Community Concerns: Faith Thomas and her group have done a great job with Trunk or Treat and Share-a-Sole. There are so many activities going on. (Faith Thomas reminded us that the Winter Sanctuary is coming up in February.)

We are out there. How does the Property Board fit into that mission statement? Property Board keeps the property up to date which allows us to host these activities, to bring people to our church, and to use our facilities which allows us to spread the Good News.

It's been a great year. It's been a pleasure serving the last four years.

## **Elections**

Larry Dockter distributed the ballot. Since there is no one yet volunteering for Vice President, nominations and volunteers from the floor were invited.

**President – Carolyn Andrews (new)**  
**Vice President – (open)**  
Treasurer – Bob Behr  
Secretary – Merle Zbrog  
Financial Secretary – Jack Fenske  
**Finance – Ron Webb (new)**  
Worship and Music – Peggy Moser  
Evangelism – Carole Vance  
Property – Kelly Boyer  
Community Concerns – Faith Thomas  
Education – Lauren Orcutt  
Youth – Samantha Basquez and Laura Tice

➤ MOTION made by Ron Webb to accept the slate of officers as presented; seconded by Kelly Boyer. *Motion carried.*

## **2019 Budget**

The Finance Board under David Saxby has worked very hard to put together a budget for 2019. Bob Behr presented the 2019 budget in David Saxby's absence.

- A copy of the budget approved by the council on November 27, 2018 was distributed to all members present.

➤ MOTION made by Ben Briel to accept the 2019 budget as presented; seconded by Ron Webb. *Motion carried.*

Income is based on what we *think* we will have as income. Jack Fenske has come up with his best estimate for offering totals. Bob Behr and Jack Fenske have come up with the best estimate for total income.

Estimated Income:     \$230,900.00

Estimated Expenses:   \$230,900.00

### **2019 Budget (continued)**

Bob Behr drew attention to these notes at the bottom of the budget:

- 1) Checking account balance **\$53,984.00**
- 2) Reserve Fund balance **\$25,279.00** (for emergency purposes)
- 3) Organist/Choir Director wages increased to be commensurate with revised job description.

### **New Business**

Paul Maki concluded the meeting with these final comments:

As he looks forward to 2019 growing in our mission statement, he said he is excited about the leadership we have on council and he is certain we are going to continue to grow. As an example, in 2017 Trunk or Treat served 100 people. The next year, in 2018, Trunk or Treat served 800 people. He thanked all the volunteers and encouraged everyone to volunteer where they could.

Carole Vance was thanked for all her hard work.

Reminder: The Cantata will be Sunday, December 16, 2018. Bring a friend.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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