

St. Luke's Lutheran Church Council Meeting
7595 Center Pkwy, Sacramento, CA 95823
February 20, 2018

Present:

President Paul Maki, Vice President Larry Dockter, Pastor Carl Hoppman, Secretary Merle Zbrog, Faith Thomas, Samantha Basquez, Carole Vance, Kelly Boyer, Ron Webb, Marlene Kiser, Kelly Boyer, David Saxby

Absent: Treasurer Bob Behr, Lauren Orcutt, Laura Tice, and Peggy Moser.

President Paul Maki's Welcome

Despite the cold weather, we're looking forward to a busy 2018 and living our mission statement.

Pastor Hoppman opened with prayer.

Larry Dockter read the mission statement:

Through 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.

Approval of Minutes: A draft copy of the minutes was emailed to all council members to review before the next meeting. A few changes were made and council was presented with an adjusted copy.

MOTION made by Faith Thomas to approve the January 2018 minutes as amended; seconded by Samantha Basquez.

Motion carried.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Paul Maki at 7:04 pm. Pacific Time.

Presentation of Reports

The following reports were presented and received with appreciation by the board as information:

Pastor's Report: *Written on file.*

- I. Hosted funeral for dayworker from Home Depot parking lot which was a realization of challenges of those who are trying to make it.
- II. January attendance was significantly better than last year.
- III. Lenten services are underway.
- IV. Holy Week services are being planned.
- V. Helping with the Crab Feed has kept him busy.

Treasurer's Report: *Written report on file.* In Bob Behr's absence, Ron Webb offered a few highlights:

- I. The higher amount in 57-10-12 is for the purchase of new checks and deposit slips and to keep the \$500 balance in the receiving account.

Paul Maki noted that the new format is on one double-sided page and so much easier to read. Envelope offerings are down a little, but it's the first month of the year.

MOTION made by Faith Thomas to close the safe deposit box at the bank; seconded by David Saxby.
Motion approved.

- Bob Behr will see that this is accomplished.
- Paul Maki will purchase a small fire-safe locked box to put inside the safe at the church.

MOTION made by Pastor Hoppman that the monies received annually from the Lenten Coin Folders be used for the Pastoral Assistance Fund; seconded by Kelly Boyer.

Motion approved.

Soup Supper – Paul Maki announced that council will host Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Carole Vance reported that we have 8 soups, 5 desserts, and plenty of bread left from last week. Plan for 50 people at the back half of the room. Reminder that hosting group is responsible for set up and clean up. Vacuum if necessary/possible.

Website Training for Council Members—Rochelle has offered two sessions. Those who responded are listed below and names have been forwarded to Rochelle:

Thursday, February 22 at 9:15 am

Bob Behr
Merle Zbrog

Wednesday, February 28 at 11:15 am

Faith Thomas
Carole Vance
Laura Tice
Merle Zbrog

Participants have been asked to bring their own device.

- Calendar entries will be made by Pastor Hoppman and Rochelle after the *News and Views* articles have been received in the office.
- Larry will continue to upload the *News and Views* and the Council Minutes.

Meyer Memorial – Balance is \$13657.00 after the purchase of the dishwasher and necessary hardware. Paul Maki reported that we hope to have the new refrigerator installed before the Crab Feed and the Carillon bells purchased before Easter. The distribution of the remaining funds is to be determined.

Crab Feed – Paul Maki reported that we have sold almost all tickets; there are fewer than 30 remaining. Estimating 212 will attend. Donations have allowed us to purchase a door prize and cash raffle prize.

Congregational Work Day – March 10 from 8:30 am – 12:00. W-ELCA will provide a potato bar lunch. A list of chores will be available. Will be placed in the bulletin.

Finance Report – *Written report on file.* David Saxby noted we are down a little compared to last year; however, last year we had 5 Sundays in January and this year we had only 4 Sundays.

Community Concerns: *Written report on file. No written report for January submitted.*

- Five baskets of soups were taken to the Elk Grove Food Bank by David Saxby on Soup-er Bowl Sunday, February 4.
- Winter Sanctuary (March 11) preparations are underway. Anticipate serving 100-115 guests. Leftovers will go the Pastor's Pantry. Blessing Bags (Ziploc® bags with bottled water, meat, crackers, chips, and personal hygiene items) will be available along with socks, gloves, hats, books, and blankets for those who want to take them. Ladies' hygiene items will be in the ladies' restroom. 40 dozen homemade cookies are needed. Sign-up sheet in the Narthex.
- New for 2018 will be an EGGs-stravaganza for the community on March 31 in St. Luke's park from 1:00 – 2:30 pm. Community Concerns will provide the candy for the Easter eggs.

Education Committee: *No written report on file.*

- Adult Bible study well attended.
- Confirmation is delightful.
- Children and teachers appreciate the two Sunday School groups.

Evangelism Board: *Written report on file.* Carole Vance reminded us that the Council will host tomorrow's soup supper and Evangelism will be the host the following week. Lenten Soup sponsors will be announced in the bulletin.

- Easter Breakfast – Kelly Boyer and Eric Linblade will co-chair.
- Diner's Groups are underway.
- Flutter flags are to be left out until after Easter. Kelly will approach the Property committee to see if there is a way to make them easier to take down.

Paul Maki announced that Joyce Jensen is enjoying her task of finding greeters.

Property Board: *Written report on file.*

- See Item #4. The time should be "6:00 pm" not "am."
- Garbage disposal purchased and installed.
- Dishwasher is installed. Property board will purchase the dishwasher soap.

MOTION to distribute CR-2016-1 Charity Funds totaling \$1,661.13 as outlined in the report was made by Kelly Boyer; seconded by Faith Thomas.

Motion approved.

- Item #8(e) There are 9 scheduled interviews.
- Item #5(d) Pastor Hoppman announced that as per the fire inspection, the Events Closet behind Schultz Hall is to have nothing within 24 inches of the ceiling. If you have questions, check with Bruce Kiser. This should be taken care of after the Crab Feed.

Worship and Music: *Written report on file.* Please add the date for Jack Orcutt's baptism: February 25.

Youth: *No written report submitted.* Samantha Basquez mentioned they are planning to meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month after church.

- Acolytes have been scheduled.
- A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for help for the Crab Feed. Desserts are for sale not auction. Pastor Hoppman will announce the need for desserts again on Sunday.
- Winter Sanctuary preparations are underway.
- Youth loft was visited and hope to hold meetings there.

W-ELCA: *No written report submitted.* Marlene Kiser announced minutes will be stored on the office computer. Bank account names have been updated.

Upcoming events:

February 24th – Craft and Vendor Fair for the Relay for Life Fundraiser

February 25th after Worship – Planning meeting for Winter Sanctuary March 11th.

Paul Maki thanked everyone for their dedication.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm Pacific Time with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Merle Zbrog

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