

St. Luke's Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

Present: President, Paul Maki, Pastor, Carl Hoppman,
Holly Hoppman, Carolyn Andrews, Carole Vance, David Saxby,
Samantha Basquez, Peggy Moser, Kelly Boyer, Faith Thomas
Karen Linfor

Absent: Larry Dockter, Laura Tice, Lauren Orcutt

St. Luke's 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".

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President, Paul Maki, at 7:05pm.
Pastor Hoppman opened with prayer.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the September, 2017 Minutes by David Saxby,
seconded by Kelly Boyer. The Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Written Report On File

Carolyn's reviewed the most recent Treasurer's Report.

Property taxes are due by 12/1/17.

YTD we are still in the black.

More budget review/discussion at the November Council meeting.

Draft of 2018 budget in work for review and comment.

Account numbers will be changed when everything is in place.

Carolyn will work with the new Treasurer to make sure things are on track.

Checkbook balance as of 9-30-17 is \$38,640.12

Pastor's Report: Written report on file

Preparing stewardship mailer to congregation.

Ministry Fair: Sunday, November 12. The Boards and Ministry Group Leaders will be available in Schultz Hall so folks can browse the various area of service, gather information, ask questions, and sign up for 2018.

Estimate-of-giving cards for 2018 will be sent out at the beginning of

November in preparation for the Ministry Fair. A list of Ministry Boards was provided.

Boards are encouraged to “spiff up” their tables and make them interesting. Helped with Youth/Parents meeting.

Class on Luther’s “Treatise on the Freedom of a Christian” going great! Exciting events are scheduled for Reformation Sunday; A brass choir will be playing, Hopefully Paul Maki will be playing as well.

Working on putting together a play, put on by the children, on Luther’s appearance before the Diet of Worms and his kidnapping afterwards, for the October 29th Reformation Potluck. Pastor feels this will really bring Martin Luther’s life into reality!

Finance Board/Special Funds Report:

David Saxby reported for Finance.

YTD down \$9,000 compared to the budget, 5.4% under; 2% compared to 2016. YTD average the same. Offering comparable to 2016 met the budget, but still behind YTD.

Committee Reports:

Community Concerns: No Written Report On File

Faith Thomas reported,

Share-a-Sole date is 11-3-17. Linda Duffek has volunteered to purchase and deliver the odd-size shoes. Bill will be submitted to Sun Grove Community Church of Elk Grove and they will reimburse us.

Trunk or Treat coming up in October. Flyers distributed to neighborhood schools. Ofelia Ojeda has prepared a flyer in Spanish to help with advertising.

Trunk or Treat: 9 cars are signed up to open their trunk from 3:00 – 7:00pm. Kirsten Ireton will provide 5-10 Key Club members will help with food. Lynn Gavia ordered and brought a prize for the car decoration contest.

The youth will control the games: Face painting, trunk decorating contest Hotdogs, chips and soda available for \$5.00

19 boxes of coats are cleaned and ready to go for Trunk or Treat. Larry and Deanna Dockter are donating coatsracks.

Faith donating caramel for apples.

Winter Sanctuary: Sacramento Steps Forward participating.

Date: TBD (avoid first and last weeks in March).

Need new signs for the Children's Clothing Closet. Paul Maki will prepare and donate.

Possible "Easter in the Park" community Easter egg hunt, as well as our own Easter egg hunt at the church.

Share-a-sole flyer to go home with shoes.

Free coats for kids 3T – size 14

Evangelism Board: Written report on file

Carole Vance reported:

Pocket-size Catechisms are in.

Sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

Working on Reformation Potluck. Assistance needed on 10/28 at 10:00am to setup for 100 people in Schultz Hall.

Thank you, W-ELCA for paying for Catechisms that will be handed out at the Reformation Potluck.

Elk Grove phone book add cancelled.

Greeters are needed.

Refreshments on 11-19 in Schultz Hall for Ken and Katie Light visit.

Congregation will be asked to provide side dishes – Karen Linfor will provide sandwiches.

Property Board: Written Report on File

Items completed/In Process:

The Property Board welcomed a new member, Gaylen Everett.

Property Board Special Fund Account: Balance \$8,394.31. Note to

Council: *"With the storm drain repair and the CR 2016-1 expenses, it is expected that the PB Special Fund Account will end the year \$2,749.00 in the negative, a short-term internal loan."*

Garbage disposal in church kitchen: Electrical work completed, thanks to Ben Briel's son. Purchase pending – it is believed that Jack and Jerry will install it.

All member work day 10-21. Hoping for a good turnout!

Storm drain repair: Accepted the Trenchless Co. low bid. Jack met with the company to make sure everyone is on the same page with regard to the numbers. There is still an issue with the storm drain going under one of our beautiful trees. The fate of the tree is undetermined.

Custodian employee proposal: Property Board is looking for feedback.

12 hours/week, \$10,920.00/year. This combines janitorial and limited maintenance efforts. The 12 hours per week is based on the estimated cleaning hours required each week, if the schedule is strictly followed. The

cost of a Custodian employee at is reflected in the PB 2018 budget request. A detailed draft "Custodian Duty Statement" was provided by the PB. Council: Please review and submit any comments to the PB. A discussion ensued regarding the duties of the employee, and the time it takes to complete the necessary janitorial and maintenance work. Cost increase is +4.3%. Security also needs to be adhered to when the custodian is on site.

Worship & Music: No written Report on File

Peggy Moser reported

Choir is currently working on a Christmas cantata, one we have done in the past.

Working on Reformation Sunday music.

Alter care: Keeping an eye on training of acolytes.

Discussed Thanksgiving Eve service.

Youth: No Written Report Submitted

Samantha Basquez reported for the Youth Board.

Congregational sleep-out scheduled September 30th was very successful.

Experiencing Growth

More structure needed, i.e., code of conduct, specific time and requirements, communication with the kids.

Good meeting on Sunday.

Helping with Reformation Sunday potluck.

Youth is asking for specific information on games with regard to helping out at Trunk or Treat, i.e., exactly what is expected of them.

Trying to get email addresses and hoping for response.

Education: No Written Report Submitted

Confirmation classes have begun; working out great!

Sunday School going very well.

Peggy Moser will be teaching a Sunday School class for younger children.

Peggy checking Augsburg Fortress for appropriate material for the children.

WELCA: No Written Report on File

Holly Hoppman, WELCA President, reported as follows:

Katie Iniguez hosted the Fall Festival on October 7th – 8:00am – 2:00pm in Schultz Hall and Courtyard. Another successful year.

Breakfast was served from 7:00am – 10:00am.

Several food trucks on site.

November meeting – 2nd Saturday, (11-11). Hoping to have a speaker.
Thank offering hosted by women.
Talking to schools about Christmas gifts.

Paul thanked Peggy and all who worked to make the Fall Festival a success!
Holly provided some information on what can be done to improve going forward at the wrap-up meeting on Sunday.

Saturday, 10-21 – all church work day!

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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