

Council Minutes: Oct. 28, 2019

Members Present: Greta Blegvad, Alice Beamer, Denise Crews, Anne Daly, Matt Hummel, Mandy John, Charlie Laidlaw-Smith, Al Miller, Jim Rengert, Pastor Stroup

Excused: Mark Finck, Jean Hovland, Joe McDaniel, Betsy Williams

Also Present: Dick Shields

Call to Order: 7:00

Devotion: No devotion due to technical difficulties

Congregational Concern: No congregation members present

-It was asked if it was possible for the choir to all go up and take communion at once. We believe it's intended to have the choir wrap around the entire rail as opposed to one side so as to make the "flow" of the communion giving easier. Those who wait and take communion with their families are free to do so. This was more for the group that goes up all at once.

Review of Meeting Minutes from 30 September 2019

*Motion to approve updated minutes-Matt Hummel, Seconded: Charlie Laidlaw-Smith. Motion approved

Committee Reports:

*Motion to accept the committee reports-Anne Daly, Seconded: Greta Blegvad. Motion approved

- **Congregational Care:** Submitted written report attached
- **Education: No Report**
- **Evangelism: No Report**
- **Four Church Farm:** The farm was closed down a week ago due to rain. everything is in good shape. The next meeting is November at Christ Lutheran and then meeting will be skipped for December and January.
- **Mutual Ministry:** A meeting was scheduled to happen but due to illnesses of some of the members and the preventative passing of anything to Pastor Betsy, they are looking to find a day in the next few weeks to meet.
- **Property:** Submitted written report attached
- **Rental Property:** Estimates for replacing the gutters and downspouts at 349 Hudson have been received. The price is about \$700. 105 Locust had a vanity that was installed by a young man recommended to the committee by Dick Daily. He did a wonderful job! A project at 28th St. to put in a half bath was completed by the contractor this week. All rents are paid up
- **Technology/Website: No Report**
- **WELCA: No Report**
- **Worship:** A lessons and carols event will happen in Dec. This gives some more christmas activities without messing with the advent calendar. Cathy Jordan reached out to Michael about long range planning and to give some direction heading into the busy christmas season.
- **Youth Ministry:** A youth breakfast will occur the 2nd Sunday in November.

Treasurer's Report:

*Motion to accept the Treasurer's report-Alice Beamer, Seconded: Al Miller. Motion approved

*Motion of request to present proposed budget to the congregation-Matt Hummel, Seconded: Anne Daly. Motion approved

Pastor's Report: Pastor Stroup inquired about the process for new members. According to our constitution, new members have to be voted on by council. It was motioned and approved to accept Jean and Julie Lamp into our congregation. WELCOME! They will be taken into membership on November 17th. Pastor Stroup will be meeting with them this Sunday. There is also a request for a baptism on the first Sunday in Advent(December 1st).

*Motion to accept Jean and Julie lamp into our congregation- Matt Hummerl, Seconded: Alice Beamer. Motion approved

*Motion to accept the Pastor's report-Denise Crews, Seconded: Anne Daly. Motion approved.

Old Business

- Mecklenburg 2020 (10 confirmed 6 unconfirmed):
 - Housing is still being looked for. The next meeting is on November 14th
- Bell Choir move to the south transept:
 - The bells have officially moved down to their new location and are in the process of working to make the space functional. This involves setting up proper lighting and placement of the tables.
- 2020 Church Council:
 - There are 3 spots on the council(2 men, 1 woman) that are we are looking to fill at the end of the 2019 term. A small committee has been selected to talk with potential members. Commitments are needed by the end of the month of Nov. and Kerrill will need bios for the forward by Nov. 8th

New Business

- A staff gift letter will be going out with the next forward
- Thank our volunteer lunch (soup and salad)–sponsored by church council possibly on 3rd weekend in Nov.
 - Alice Beamer and Denise Crews agreed to co-chair the even on Nov. 17th and a notice will go into the forward
- TRECA Digital Academy use of Danford Hall December 2-6 and 9th & 10th (4 hours each day):
 - It was voted that the digital academy could use the space again as long as the same criteria are followed as last year.
- LOMO Daycamp

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- Due to the lack of volunteers from our congregations it was decided that we would not participate in the LOMO Day Camp for the 2020 summer.
- Homeless Think Tank grp wants to use Danford Hall 2nd Saturday of each month 1130-1400 (<40 people)
 - It was discussed and suggested that an alternative day and time be found. This will be revisited at a later time

Roundtable:

Denise-the next meeting for the constitution updates will be Nov 12th. The final product should be ready by July and will be sent out in a bulk mailing

Kerrill-A calendar will be going out in the forward that covers from Christ the King through Advent. She is also looking for crucifers and volunteers for the service

Pastor Stroup-An update on Pastor Betsy; she is due to have the surgery on her throat but it requires her to be off the current medications. So it will be 4-6 weeks until the surgery can happen

Closing Prayer

Dates to Remember

-Nov 8: Deadline to get bios of Council members and potential members to Kerrill

-Nov 10: Youth Breakfast

-Nov 12: Constitution meeting

-Nov 14: Mecklenburg 2020 meeting

-Nov 17: New Congregation members

Volunteer Thank You Luncheon