

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Minutes
January 22, 2018

Attendance:

____ Kerrill Foster	____ Don Miller	____ Charlie Laidlaw-Smith	____ Mandy John
____ Juliana Rauch	____ John Jordan	____ Dick Shiels	____ Greta Blegvad
____ Lindsay Freytag	____ Jim Rengert	____ Mark Finck	____ Willis Trainor
____ Anne Daly	____ Ron Mai	____ Pastor Betsy	

Call to Order

Devotion: Theme: Fishing for People and Leadership

Minutes: Minutes for December 18, 2017. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Dick Shiels to accept the minutes and seconded by Jim Rengert. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: 2017 closed out well. Our deficit for 2017 is much lower than expected. We are not covering the expense of flowers/candles with donations, so we may need some discussion about that. Don Miller made a motion to accept the minutes. Ron Mai seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Pastor's Report: 1. Secretary transition – We have hired Jodie Nickles and she is being trained by Sadie Smith. 2. Lent begins on Feb. 14 with a theme of Covenant of Baptism. The soup suppers sign-up will happen soon. *Watermarked* will be the Lenten book study. 3. May 21, Pastor Betsy will attend the Convention of Homiletics in Washington, D.C.

Old Business: 1. Church secretary position has been filled. 2. Worship Committee: The committee will continue to do broader planning but the detail work will be done by Pastor Betsy, Matt Hummel and Josh Ice. The committee will meet around 6 times a year, as needed.

New Business: 1. Election of Council Members – According to the Constitution/Handbook voted on in 2008, the Council may consist of up to 16 members and the pastor, so we will continue to use the decreased number of members from this past year, 12 members (6 men and 6 women). In order to fill a vacated position, Council may appoint a replacement. Kerrill Foster made a motion to appoint Jean Hovland as a member of Council as a replacement for Crystal Stamper. Mark Finck seconded the motion and the motion passed. 2. Dumpster – The dumpster needs to be moved because the garbage truck can't get to it. We will try it again on Locust Street. 3. Secretary for January 29th meeting – Lindsay Freytag will do it.

Committee Reports:

☐ Small Group Ministry – No report. ☐ Four Church Farm – Meets tomorrow. ☐ Congregational Care – Pastor Betsy gave the report. ☐ Evangelism – No report. ☐ Rental Property – One renter is leaving in January, but the space is already newly rented. ☐ WELCA – Rummage Sale will be the last week in April. ☐ Worship – Earlier report. ☐ Youth Ministry – Pastor Betsy has been leading the group this month. ☐ Mutual Ministry – Meeting February 1. This committee needs new leadership. ☐ Property – 1. Meeting at Christ Lutheran to see their security system. 2. The sink in the sacristy needs to have the faucet replaced, which may also involve adding a new water heater beneath the sanctuary. ☐ Technology/Web Site – No report. ☐ Education – The adult class invites everyone to participate.

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Kerrill Foster made a motion to accept the committee reports. Jim Rengert seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Roundtable – Kerrill Foster needs hard copies of the minutes. Jim Rengert questioned how we contact people who have not been to church. Mark Finck asked about using ice melt. He will talk to Jackie.

Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Juliana Rauch