

# Faith Lutheran Church

## Council Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2016

Council Members							
<b>President</b> Wade Eastman (16)		<b>Vice-President</b> Niki Pokornowski (16)	X	<b>Treasurer</b> Ron Anderson (16)	X	<b>Secretary</b> Linda McGraw (16)	X
Ken Holler (16)	X	Cheryl Buboltz (17)	X	Jon Kamrath (17)		Michelle Malchow (16)	
Bill Peterson (17)	X	Dan Brinkman (16)		Amanda Schueler (17)	X	Christine Ruppert (16)	X
Joy May (17)	X	Jon Wehler (16)	X				
Staff							
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Paul	X	Diane Pedersen		Josiah Frusti	X
Pastor Dave	X	Marsha Schmit	X	Gladys Bonnema	X		
Pastor Paulus	X	Wendy Mayland	X	Mike Lauer	X		

### Opening

- Vice President Niki Pokornowski called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.
- Joy May opened with devotions.

### Secretary's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Pass** to approve the February meeting minutes.

### Treasurer's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Pass** to approve the February Treasurer's report.  
The February 1, 2016 deposit was transferred to January 31, 2016 to reflect January income.

### Pastor / Staff Reports:

- Written reports submitted with the agenda.

### Ministry Teams:

- **Management (Executive Committee)**
  - Mark Guggemos reviewed the NU-Telecom proposal to upgrade the outdated telephone system
  - Discussed financial reports
  - Discussed trading the lawn mower as part of the L & P Supply/John Deere trade-up program
- **Spiritual Formation (Jon and Christine)**
  - Faith Family Fun
    - March 13, 2016 - Swimming
    - April 10, 2016 - Build bird houses/"dirt" cups
    - May 2016 - Last day of Sunday School/plant seeds
  - Community Meal - April 3, 2016
- **Worship (Dan and Amanda)**
  - Work night for Holy Week services/preparations - attempting to make Easter Sunrise Service distinctive
- **Church in the World (Ken and Bill)**
  - Recommended to Council that a matching gift of \$250 be given to Katie Weikle  
**ACTION - Motion/Second/Pass** that the church match a \$250 donation to Katie Weikle for her work in Germany.
  - Discussed local opportunities in which the church can help
  - Pastor Paul spoke of the increased monetary needs at New Hope Mission Society
  - Pastor Dawit Wario of Tabor Lutheran Church in Hawassa, Ethiopia will visit from April 15-24, 2016 and be in Hutchinson on April 20-21, 2016.

- **Congregational Life (Michelle and Joy)**
  - Lenten Picnic Supper March 16, 2016
  - New Member Reception April 3, 2016
  - Mingle Boxes/Bless the Years May 1, 2016
- **Discipleship (Jon and Cheryl)**
  - Discussed the possibility of more small group activities and what those activities should look like
  - Community Meal July 10, 2016
  - Pastor Scott to focus on men of the Bible during the men's Breakfast and Bibles meetings
  - Mugs and Muffins - March 19, 2016

**Old Business**

1. Council Devotion Sign Up - Contact Wendy if interested
2. Ministry Team/Council Retreat - April 9, 2016, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
3. Augustana District Convention - April 23, 2016 at Living Word in Marshall, MN - 2 voting delegates needed
4. Holy Week Update - Pastor Scott shared theme for each service and encouraged leaders to attend
5. Other - None

**New Business**

1. Value of Continuing Staff Reports - Council has received written staff reports for the last three years in an attempt to inform council members of their day-to-day tasks and shorten the monthly council meeting. The Council felt the written reports should be continued and are necessary to keep up-to-date with all that was happening in the church.
2. Other
  - a. New Phone system  
**ACTION - Motion/Second/Pass** that the church enter into a 5-year agreement with NU-Telecom to upgrade the telephone system at a cost of \$1,280.

Communion Helper Schedule:

April 3:	8:00 a.m. Linda McGraw and Joy May
	10:10 a.m. Jon Kamrath and Ken Holler
 April 10:	 8:00 a.m. Amanda Schueler and Wade Eastman
	10:10 a.m. Dan Brinkman and Niki Pokornowski

Correspondence: None

Closing Prayer: Josiah Frusti

Adjournment: Vice President Niki Pokornowski adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 6 p.m.

Devotions for Next Month: Niki Pokornowski

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda McGraw, Secretary