

# Faith Lutheran Church

## Council Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2015

Council Members							
<b>President</b> Brian Lauer (15)	X	<b>Vice-President</b> Wade Eastman (15)	X	<b>Treasurer</b> Niki Pokornowski (15)	X	<b>Secretary</b> Linda McGraw (15)	X
Ken Holler (16)	X	Jan Kreie (15)	X	Brad Burch	X	Michelle Malchow (16)	
Steve Killian (15)	X	Dan Brinkman (16)	X	Jon Kamrath (16)	X	Christine Ruppert (16)	
Jeff Amundson (15)	X	Jon Wehler (16)	X				
Staff							
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Paul		Diane Pedersen	X	Josiah Frusti	X
Pastor Dave	X	Marsha Schmit	X	Gladys Bonnema	X		
Pastor Paulus		Wendy Mayland	X	Mike Lauer	X		

### Opening

- President Brian Lauer called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- Wade Eastman opened with devotions.

### Secretary's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approve the September meeting minutes.

### Treasurer's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approved the September Treasurer's report.  
Contributions on track with projections.

### Pastor / Staff Reports:

- Written reports submitted with the agenda.

### Ministry Teams:

- **Discipleship (Jon and Steve)**
  - Mugs and Muffins, October 17, 2015
  - Treats to shut-ins - September 27, 2015
  - Breakfast, Burritos and Bibles - October 31, 2015
  - Chili/Soup Cook off - December 2, 2015
- **Management (Executive Committee)**
  - Discussed financials - Giving on track with projections which showed a deficit for September.
  - The utility relocation requested by the City of Hutchinson was discussed during their regular Council meeting on September 22. Approved by the City Council with work possibly moved to Spring 2016.
  - September Community Meal served about 35 people.
  - A hold harmless agreement has been received from the Heirloom Tea Room. The insurance agent for Landy's Lodge is still researching their coverage options.
  - Discussed options for Faith Life Camp.
- **Spiritual Formation (Jon and Christine)**
  - Faith Family Fun Night -  
Advent activities - November 22, 2015, 4 to 5:30 p.m.  
Parent's Night Out - Babysitting/Books with Brian (3 years to 5th grade) - December 13, 2015, 4 to 6:30 p.m.
  - Discussed volunteer options for food shelf and confirmation retreat.
  - Sunday School Christmas Programs scheduled for December 16 and 20, 2015.
- **Worship (Dan and Jeff)**
  - Faith by the Fire was well attended.
  - Community Meal - November 1, 2015

- **Worship (Dan and Jeff)** ...continued
  - Advent Reader's Theater - December 2, 2015
  - Jonathan Swenson to do presentation at the December 9, 2015 Advent services, FLY and Senior Citizens groups.
- **Church in the World (Jan and Ken)**
  - Thanksgiving offering breakdown - 30% to Common Cup, 25% to Lutheran World Relief, 20% to Friends of Madagascar, and 25% to Samaritan's Purse.
- **Congregational Life (Deb and Michelle)**
  - New Member Pizza Lunch - November 1, 2015
  - Discussed Fill the Boat food drive - November 1 - 23, 2015
  - The Giving Tree will be set up November 23, 2015
  - Sanctuary decorating - December 2, 2015

#### **Old Business**

1. Communion Help for Thanksgiving Eve/Day and Christmas Eve/Day - vacancies filled.
2. Volunteer for Council Devotions - vacancies filled.
3. LCMC Convention Update - Attendees included Pastors Scott, Dave and Paul, Ellen Juul, Jan Kreie and Dick and Dorothy Desens. Pastor Paul led a breakout session, and a table for Augustana District and New Hope Mission Society.
4. Faith Life Camp Discussion/Plan - No 2016 Faith Life Camp - Additional discussion needed to determine how to proceed in the future.
5. Easement with the City of Hutchinson on north side of property - Approved by the City Council with work possibly moved to Spring 2016 adding four new parking spaces.
6. Other - None

#### **New Business**

1. Annual Report Submissions Due by January 12
2. Year-End Giving Goals - Discussed
3. Discussion of 2016 Budget - Because of increasing health insurance costs, group health insurance may again be an option.
4. Prodigal Report - New college ministry presented by Pastor Dave, Gladys, Mike and Josiah in Fargo, ND (30 students attended) - funded by a grant from the Augustana District. Other possible sites U of M Minneapolis and Mankato.
5. CrossFit Report - Pastor Dave - good series - 15 groups plus youth - possibly some small groups will continue to meet.
6. Other - None

#### Communion Helper Schedule:

November 1:	8:00 a.m. Brian Lauer and Jeff Amundson
	10:10 a.m. Christine Ruppert and Brian Lauer
November 8:	8:00 a.m. Dan Brinkman and Steve Kilian
	10:10 a.m. Jon Kamrath and Wade Eastman
November 25:	6:30 p.m. Jan Kreie
November 26:	10:00 a.m. Wade Eastman

Correspondence - None

Closing Prayer - Pastor Scott

Adjournment: President Brian Lauer adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Regular Council meeting: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Devotions for Next Month: Jon Kamrath

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda McGraw, Secretary