

**Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes
Tuesday, September 18, 2018**

Council Members							
President Wade Eastman (18)	X	Vice-President Amanda Schueler (19)	X	Treasurer Barry Anderson (18)	X	Secretary Jan Kreie (18)	X
Dean Winter (18)	X	Cheryl Buboltz (19)	X	Monica Wehler (19)	X	Dan Moe (18)	X
John Olsen (19)	X	Megan Piehl (18)		Shelly Kirchoff (19)	X	Marlys Miller (18)	
Gail Telecky (19)	X	Andrew Weckwerth (18)	X				
Staff							
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Paul	X	Diane Pedersen	X	Laura Weikle	X
Pastor Dave	X	Marsha Schmit	X	Gladys Nissen	X	Will Holt	X
Pastor Paulus	X	Wendy Magruder	X				

Call to Order by President Wade

Devotion by Shelly Kirchoff -- 'Created for Love'

Secretary's Report

ACTION - M / S / P to approve the secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report – Barry led us through a review of the financial reports. We ended August with a cash balance of \$2,765. We currently have a negative balance. Discussion was held about the reason and what to do. The congregation has been alerted and more actions are planned.

ACTION - M / S / P to accept the financial reports.

Pastor/Staff Reports – There was good energy and response to the redesigned Extravaganza. Pastor Paulus encourages use of the prayer calendar. A question was asked about the Estonia Mission we supported. One portion of our bequest tithe was given there to help with providing a building for a seminary.

Ministry Team Reports:

- ❖ Worship (Megan and Shelly) -- They got Will up to speed with choirs; worked on details for the Faith by the Fire event; and are pondering if confirmands can help with summer park setup.
- ❖ Children, Youth and Family (Dan and Monica) – October Faith by the Fire event is a hay ride and bonfire; November 3rd Feed My Starving children in Chanhassen (for all congregational members); and, confirmation events.
- ❖ Church in the World (Dean and John) – They had 4 elementary teachers at their meeting asking what type of support we can provide (Nov. 11 is National Education Week); prep for November hunger appeal prep; and, two weeks (Nov 4th and Dec 2nd) are still open for Community Meal serving.
- ❖ Congregational Life (Marlys and Gail) – Their time was spent on: new member reception organizing, Oct 14th; gift surveys will be handed out this Sunday; and, some discussion about helping people navigate our building.
- ❖ Discipleship (Andrew and Cheryl) – The 2019 Bible reading is taking shape through "Bibleopoly". A board has been made and they are gathering ways to drive engagement.
- ❖ Management (Exec Committee) – They previewed finances; completed a Community Meal; and, approved sidewalk snow removal contract for this year.

Old Business

1. Extravaganza Review – This was well attended by a variety of ages, and the changes worked well.
2. Update on how fall events – Small groups are meeting using the "Impossible: Are All Things Possible with God?" curriculum; Sola Publishing is interested in our small group materials and our media / video resources. Plans for confirmation and Reformation are being made. Marsha will be doing a Spiritual Gifts survey.

New Business

1. Welcome Will Holt – We gave another joyful welcome to our new Director of Music and Worship. (Note: In order to move quickly and bring Will on staff with the start of our fall schedule, an email vote was taken. A significant majority of the council responded and all who did approved.)
2. Holiday Communion Volunteers were requested. Wendy took names and will fill the remaining needs.

Closing Prayer by Pastor Dave.

Adjournment by President Wade.

Next Month: Tuesday, October 15, 2018 Ministry Teams begin at 6:00 p.m., Church Council at 7:30 p.m.
Devotions for next month: Gail Telecky