

Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes Tuesday, October 20, 2020

President		Vice President		Treasurer		Secretary	
Bob Kreie	X	Carl Horton	x	Kathy Silvernale	x	Connie Stromseth	x
Penny Stuber	X	Andrew Weckwerth	x	Marlys Miller	x	Monica Wehler	
John Olsen	X	Niki Pokornowski	x	Maria Weikle		Gail Telecky	x
		Dan Moe		Katie Brecht			
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Dave	x	Pastor Paulus	x	Pastor Paul	x
Wendy Magruder	X	Marsha Schmit	x	Sara Wegner	x	Jeff Amundson	
Austin Willhite	X	Laura Weikle	x	Kristen Matthews	x		

Call to order by President Bob Kreie @ 7:30 pm via zoom.
Opening devotions by Kathy Silvernale.

Secretary's Report: Action - M/S/P to approve the October minutes.

Treasurer's Report: General Fund balance is \$101,519. There is less than 8% of the mortgage left to pay. Expenses are down over last year at this time. We have 90 active households using Simply Giving. **Action** - M/S/P

Pastor/Staff Reports: Pastor Paulus reported on how he served communion with a "pizza paddle" at Harmony River. Kristen will start a new series on sex with the high schoolers. Pastor Scott reports that the overflow areas are not being used due to low attendance.

Ministry Team Reports:

- ❖ Management (exec Committee) - The street assessments are due by November 2021. September and October giving is down. We are looking for ideas on how to ask for a capital campaign push of giving to get the mortgage paid.
- ❖ Worship (Maria and Katie) - Discussion started about the special services coming up. There are generally five services on Christmas Eve. This year we may not need all of them. The new piano cover has been purchased.
- ❖ Children, Youth, and Family (Dan and Monica) – On November 1, worship for all ages led by the FLY youth 6:30-8:00 p.m. On December 8, there will be an activity from the Paint Factory for children and adults 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- ❖ Church in The World (Penny and John) – Annual hunger appeal in November. The plan to distribute funds is: 50% New Hope, 15% Madagascar, 35% local food shelf, Blessing Box, Common Cup. There is an immediate need for disaster relief in India. Asked that \$1,000 be sent to New Hope Mission Society for food etc. This is not new money, but an advance on the hunger

relief funds that will be received in November. **Action** - M/S/P We are low on food for the Blessing Box.

- ❖ Congregational Life (Niki and Marlys) - Thanksgiving Eve Pie Social after the 6:30 church service. Planning to send Christmas cards to the homebound. Planning an activity in December similar to a secret Santa called Secret Encourager.
- ❖ Discipleship (Andrew and Gail) - Will continue Bibleopoly in 2021. The Chili and Soup supper will be determined around Lent time to see how COVID is at that time.

Old Business:

The rock by the church cannot be engraved. The plan is to have the word "Faith" with our arch logo applied with different materials.

New Business:

The year-end giving goal is to end 2020 where we started at the beginning of the year. We propose the Council create a mailing with the announcement to extend Upon This Rock pledges for one more year from a 3 to a 4 year pledge, rather than launch a whole new campaign, in order to pay the remaining mortgage balance of approximately \$200,000. **Action** - M/S/P

Faith hosted the Augustana District convention. There is an initiative for an intern program and/or a new church start in the Cities with Faith Lutheran asked to lead the way.

Volunteers are needed for Communion on Thanksgiving Eve 6:30 service. Nikki and Bob have volunteered.

Correspondence: none

Closing Prayer by Pastor Scott

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 17, beginning at 6 p.m.

Devotions for next month: Gail Telecky