

Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes Tuesday, May 18, 2021

President Carl Horton	X	Vice President John Olsen	x	Treasurer Julie Wendland	x	Secretary Penny Stuber	x
Connie Stromseth	X	Daryl Bateman	x	Wade Eastman		Monica Wehler	X
Jon Gelschus	X	Niki Pokornowski	x	Maria Weikle		Gail Telecky	
		Patricia Block	x	Owen Weikle	x		
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 Carl Horton @ 7:34 p.m.

Opening Devotions by Connie Stromseth

Secretary's Report:

Action: M/S/P to approve the April minutes as amended.

Treasurer's Report:

Annual building/property/liability Insurance and three payrolls paid in the month of April

At the end of April, General Fund giving was up \$22,000 over last year

People continue to give to the Capital Campaign fund

Action: M/S/P to approve the April treasurer's report.

Ministry Team Reports:

Discipleship (Daryl and Gail)

Made welcome cards to distribute next Sunday to invite people to outdoor worship services

Community Meal to be served

Invitations to past staff members to the 150th Anniversary celebration

Management (Exec Comm)

Discussed 150th Anniversary fundraising Ideas to provide training for future church leaders

Safety deposit boxes were reconciled; one of the church's three boxes was closed

Owen Weikle has started a part-time custodial position

Music and Worship (Owen and Maria)

Faith on Grove reunions service is set for September 19, 2021.

First concert series event will occur along with the community meal on October 3, 2021.

Planned for worship in the park starting on May 30.

Children, Youth and Family (Monica and Patricia)

Faith Family Fun event will be a sculpture walk and picnic in the park on June 6.

Discussed 150th Anniversary celebration event

Church in the World (Connie and Jon)

Two prayer requests were placed in the Blessing Box this month

Discussed the current work of the HOMES short-term transitional housing program.

Three motel rooms are available in Hutchinson; average stay is 45 nights

Prayers for Abdul who was diagnosed with COVID-19 and is now recovering.

India as a whole is being ravaged by COVID-19 at the moment.

Congregational Life (Niki and Wade)

Wrote cards to the 22 high school seniors from Faith

Pen-Pals gathering on June 13—second round of pen-pals to run from July to Dec.

Scheduling treats in the park for summer worship services.

Asked ministry teams to sign up for one week to help during the summer

Brainstorming on the 150th Anniversary Celebration

Old Business:

Retreat Follow Up—teams are discussing what they might do as part of 150th Anniversary

New Business:

Pastor Scott's Sabbatical Plan—dates: May 31 - July 4

Sabbaticals are designed for a combination of special projects and rest

Finishing a congregational history for the 150th Anniversary

Reading serious books that are difficult to read amidst the usual routine.

COVID Protocol Phase-Out Plan

With most restrictions being lifted, the church is restoring normal practices.

Passing offering plates and welcome pads will resume this summer.

First Word service will be streamed, since it is difficult to stream outdoor services.

Whether to continue streaming services will be evaluated again in the fall.

Summer ministries preview for Children and Youth Ministries

High School: FLY Night during the Summer

HEY Volleyball this summer

Summer mission trip to Savannah, GA

Middle School: God Squad for 5-7th grade MS youth group

HEY's Middle School Madness

Three big events for the summer: inflatables, Valleyfair, Olympics

Mystery Bus - mini mission trip 3 days long

Elementary: VBS with CtK, usually 100 children, day and evening sessions this year

Picnic in the Park with Laura to connect with young kids and families

Green Lake day-camp in August

Lawn Mowing Calendar is posted outside the church office.

Closing prayer by Pastor Dave

Meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.

Next regular Council meeting: Tuesday, June 15 at 7:30 p.m.; Devotions by Carl Horton.