

## Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

<b>President</b> Mona Hjerpe	x	<b>Vice President</b> Dennis Langehaug	x	<b>Treasurer</b> Ian McDonald		<b>Secretary</b> Amanda Schueler	x
Jan Kreie	x	Tanja Glaser	x	Mark Schumann		Lindsey Hoffman	x
Al Scharn		Monica Schiller	x	Joy May	x	Jamie Kaping	x
		Derek Durst	x	Karna Blake	x		
Pastor Scott	x	Pastor Dave	x	Pastor Paulus	x	Pastor Paul	x
Wendy Magruder	x	Marsha Schmit	x	Sara Wegner		Jeff Amundson	
Austin Willhite	x	Laura Stowman	x	Kristen Durst	x		

Call to order by President, Mona Hjerpe @ 7:42 p.m.  
Devotions by Tanja Glaser.

**Secretary's Report:** M/S/C to approve the January 2023 meeting minutes as presented.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Financial Update:

- Reviewed reports in detail for the benefit of new members
  - January giving up over previous years
- M/S/C to approve the treasurer's report for January 2023.

**Pastor/Staff Reports**

- Pastor Scott described the Digging Deeper class using tapes of Dr. Jim Nestingen, "Dusting Off Theology"
- Consensus that the pastor/staff reports have value, especially the prayer requests.

**Ministry Team Reports:**

Church in the World (Al and Jan)

- New members of the team were excited to learn about the goals of this team
- Talked about how they can make this team more visible to the congregation
- Discipleship team is taking March monthly meal on very short notice

Congregational Life (Tanja and Monica)

- Food Drive is set up and will run through April 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Planning for Lenten Picnic on March 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:15
- Planning for New Member Lunch on April 30<sup>th</sup>

Discipleship (Mark and Joy)

- Planning for the next Date Night on March 31<sup>st</sup>
- Discussing perhaps bringing back Mugs and Muffins and Men of Faith 1 or 2 times per year
- Preparing to mail out anniversary cards to members to celebrate years of membership

Management (Exec Comm)

- Discussed Ansgar House
- Two interns have applied, hoping for at least one more

- Pr. Dave is working on plans to utilize the space and start more programming there
- Sanctuary roof repair contract has been signed; we are waiting for nice weather to complete
- Garage shingling and roof repair needs to be arranged.  
Mindful of costs we put into this as we think about phase 2 of our building project
- Building Project update  
A committee of 9 people has been formed  
Next step to add in the architect from the original project to make a plan to move forward

#### Music and Worship (Karna and Derek)

- Recruiting people to act as disciples for Maundy Thursday services.
- Seeking between-service help for holiday services; more hands would make it go more smoothly
- Starting Outdoor Worship planning
- Discussed raising funds over the next year to clean and service the bells. They are 40 years old and need this to keep them in good working order for years to come.

#### Children, Youth and Family (Lindsey and Jamie)

- Next Faith Fun Day is being planned for April 2<sup>nd</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> – more details to come
- Planning Senior recognition breakfast for May

#### **Old Business:**

##### Nominating Committee Update

- The annual meeting authorized the church council to fill the last position. Jan Kreie has agreed to serve as a council representative on the Church in the World Team  
M/S/C to approve Jan as the Church in the World council rep.

##### LeaderCare Update

- Pr. Dave has completed the last session which was designed for church leaders and their spouses to remember to care for themselves
- Hoping to replicate this in other settings such as the Augustana District

#### **New Business:**

##### Review of Augustana District Theological Conference

- A good gathering and rare amongst LCMC churches
- The annual district convention is in May at Mt. Carmel and leaders can attend

##### Sabbatical Proposal

- Pastor Dave is in last year of his Doctor of Ministry program; going to Scotland in May as part of it.
- Asking to take his sabbatical a year early than the policy dictates since he will already be gone.  
M/S/C to approve Dave's Sabbatical in May.

##### Lenten Preview

- The Way of the Cross – all are encouraged to attend

##### Approval to update signature cards by new officers

- M/S/C to authorize the new officers to sign the signature cards

##### April Council/Ministry Team Retreat

- April 18 starting at 5:30 p.m.; supper will be provided followed by discussion and planning

##### Housekeeping

- Sign up for devotions, update contact info, choose service preference to help with communion

Closing Prayer by Pastor Scott

Meeting Adjourned at 8:44 pm

The next regular church council meeting will be held Tuesday, March 21, 2023 starting at 6:00 p.m.

Devotion for March – Mona Hjerpe