

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING
February 6, 2018

Opening Devotion and Prayer: Devotions were led by Andy McCarty. He spoke about the need to be patient and humble using the words of Ephesians 4:2 as it relates to our mission and vision as we approach a time of much change within our congregation.

March Devotions – Sue Lassi
April Devotions – Shannon Kincaid

Adoption of the Agenda: On file.

Motion to approve the Agenda: Sue Lassi
Seconded: Tammy Novick
Approved

Minutes of Prior Meeting: On file.

Motion to approve Prior Meeting Minutes: Shannon Kincaid
Seconded: Andy McCarty
Approved

Financial Manager's Report: On file.

Beginning balance: \$143,951.88
Ending balance: \$127,029.13

Building Fund has an ending balance of \$35,189.25

Disbursements and explanation of accounts:

Organ repairs – Memorial money was adjusted +\$850.00 and current -\$850.00 for the tuning of the organ.

Insurance – Disbursements appeared slightly higher for January and may be due to insurance (general liability and Worker's Compensation) costs of \$8,704.74. Bob Finn will follow-up with Barb Gibson.

Motion to approve the Financial Report: Tammy Novick
Seconded: Shannon Kincaid
Approved

Visioning and Discussion: None.

Trustees: On file.

Next meeting is scheduled for April.

Cemetery: On file.

Senior Pastor's Report: On file.

Ideas to share – for what it's worth –

As new people come to St. John's either to visit or possibly join the congregation, we must be mindful that they may be new to the church or may be visiting for the first time in a long time. As a result of this, they may not be up to speed on how to follow along with or participate in the service. We should try to identify these people and engage them to make them feel welcome and comfortable throughout the service in order to make it a positive experience that they will seek to continue.

Associate Pastor's Report: On file.

Reports from Coordinators: Team reports are on file.

Social Ministry calendar for 2018 was notionally approved with the caveat that Beth Bard will review all the proposed dates to ensure there are no conflicts with the church calendar.

Youth Director's Report and Financial Reports: On file.

Two youth events currently planned are the Gathering in the Lounge and the Chili Cookoff.

The youth did a great job at Youth weekend!

Children's Garden Director and Financial Report: On file.

The Children's Garden is now current with all payments to the church.

The Day Care Board is short one representative from the church, this seat will be filled by Judd Fodness.

Petitions and Communications:

The youth group requested approval for two fundraisers:

1. A spaghetti dinner on April 15th
2. The wall of money throughout the Easter season to raise funding for the National Gathering.

Motion to approve the Fundraisers: Tammy Novick

Seconded: Shannon Kincaid

Approved

A budget and samples for the Easter postcard mailer will be presented at the March Council meeting. Andy McCarty and Shannon Kincaid will work with Beth Seal to develop a budget, identify mailing areas, and produce samples.

We will add a thank you to the pre-service announcement presentation thanking Beth Seal for her work on the St. John's magnets as well as the anonymous donor who provided the funding.

Unfinished Business:

Church restroom restoration – no report at this time

WiFi – no report at this time

New Business:

Pr. Sharron Blezzard from Synod Office visited for a Q&A time concerning the Call Process after the regular business from 6:30 PM – 7:00PM. The staff was excused following this portion of the meeting to allow for open and honest discussion with Pr. Blezzard.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Sue Lassi

Seconded: Tammy Novick

Approved

Council Attendees: Bob Finn, Shannon Kincaid, Sarah Keilholtz, Susan Lassi, Andrew McCarty, Tammy Novick, Michael Seifried, Jake Trybulski, Susan Van Zile (Coordinator Liaison)

Council Absentees: Barbara Gibson

Elder Attendee: Gary Gardner

Non-Council Attendee: Judd Fodness

Respectfully submitted,
Jake Trybulski, Recording Secretary (Acting)

After Q&A session on the Call Process, Pr. Sharron Blezzard closed with a prayer and blessing.