

Chisago Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting
February 18, 2021

Opening Prayer/Evening Meditation: Pastor Taryn led devotions

Members Present: Gary Anderson, , Steve Grossman, Ethan Johnson, Jenni Runte, Katie Schneider, Pastor Taryn, Dave Johnson, Todd Rivard, Bridget Locke

Members Absent: none

Katie moved to approve the agenda. Gary seconds. All in favor. The agenda stands as written.

Treasurer's Report:

- Ministry support - staff member
- The overall number looks good and maybe on the low side- Gary
- Steve moves to approve the Treasurer Report. Dave seconds. Motion passes.

Pastor's Report:

- Year of Renewal... 1:1 meetings are still taking place. Wrapping them up at the end of this month, hope to begin community one to ones in March.
- New Director of Media & Communications! Ian Lexfold started on Monday. He's a great addition to the team, brings gifts and creativity, looking forward to how the Holy Spirit will shape this ministry moving forward.
- Grumpy Old Men worship – golly was it COLD! Thanks to all of those who came in person and assisted in any way.
- Ash Wednesday – drive-up ashes and open sanctuary. Lovely to see and connect with several folks I haven't seen in a while.
- Leading "12 Tiny Things" book group and discussion – great conversation, fun to have folks gathered from across the US participating.
- North Conference Gathering – elected to represent our conference/synod at a churchwide assembly in 2022.
- Cameras installed in the sanctuary! Ian is working on some small details to finalize a few pieces. Great shots/clarity, flexibility in movement, and what can be seen.
- Personnel – working to post Facilities Manager position, pending our conversation tonight.
- Holden Evening Prayer posted 12 pm Wednesdays during Lent.
- Holy Week – Good Friday, MiChiLu pastors working on a joint pre-recorded service

Gary moves to approve Pastor's Report, Steve seconds. Motion passes.

Committee Reports

- 3M- met this last week- 4th movable camera was requested
- Youth- Stacy has been brainstorming summer trip ideas for our youth group to travel together safely. Ideas they're tossing around...
 - Backpacking in Montana
 - BWCA
 - Horseback Riding
 - Council is supportive of the idea. We give the go-ahead to start planning.

- Property- \$22,153.00 for upkeep in 2021
 - Exterior lighting project parking (\$3,500)
 - Exterior painting of the outside of the Educational Building (\$6,000)
 - Replacement of the elevator area/bathroom roof project (\$12,653)
 - Steve moves to approve. Dave seconds. Motion passes.

- Resurrection Committee
 - Remain online and reassess in March.
 - Assess what reveals itself with some of the reopenings in the community in the next month.
 - Area Pastors' Meeting- Pastors report their plans for the near future...
 - TF- online until weather is nice enough to go outdoors
 - Almelund- outdoor
 - Zion- outdoor
 - Trinity Lindstrom- outdoor
 - Chisago Lake- online and outdoor return in the future
 - The committee does not have any recommendations to change our worship model at this time.
 - Meet again the first week in March

New Business

- **Operational Positions:**
 - **President-** Jenni & Gary nominate each other
 - Jenni Runte accepts under 2 conditions...
 - She can take 2 meeting off
 - Her choice of any cookie in December
 - **Vice-President-** Steve and Katie nominate Gary
 - Gary Anderson accepts.
 - **Treasure-** Gary nominates Dave
 - Dave Johnson accepts.
 - **Secretary-** Gary nominates Katie
 - Katie Schneider accepts
- Gary moves to seize nominations. Steve seconds. Motion passes.

Behavioral Covenant

- Highlighted the process for issues that are brought to council members and discussed how to manage them.
- Pastor Taryn is going to check-in with Synod on legal policies regarding confidentiality.

Monthly Newsletter

- Mailing copies of the weekly newsletter...
 - Do we need to continue on with the monthly newsletter?
 - Moving away from monthly newsletter to weekly
 - Monthly/ Weekly calendar proposed by Jenni
 - Pastor Taryn said it might be an opportunity to dress up the newsletter if it is sent weekly.

- Tuesdays are the deadline for info to be added to the newsletter

Copier

- Louise recommendation for a new copier- Loffler because of the compatible pricing and the customer service he has given us without a copier yet.
- Gary moves to go with Louise's suggestion. Todd [1]seconds. Motion passes.

Committee Assignments- Some committees are more active at the moment

- Dave Johnson- 3M & Financial- every other month and every other Tuesday[2] (Jim Peterson)
- Gary Anderson- Historical Society
- Todd Rivard- Cemetery (Lee Turner)
- Katie Schneider- Christian Ed (Stacy Johnson)
- Ethan Johnson- Youth Committee
- Steve Grossman- Property
- Bridget Locke- Stewardship (Bonnie Anderson/ Pastor Taryn)
- Jenni Runte- Worship & Music
- Jenni Runte- Personnel

Monthly Council Meeting Date/ Time- 3rd Thursday of the Month @7:00pm

- Steve motions to leave the time and date for council meetings the same. Gary seconds. Motion passes.

Check signers moving forward...

- ✓ Jenni Runte
- ✓ Todd Rivard
- ✓ Gary Anderson
- ✓ Katie Schneider

Installation of Council

- Send a picture and piece requested from Pastor Taryn
 - Look for further details in an email from her.
- Information will be shared the last Sunday in February worship.

Council Retreat-

- 3-4 hours and have a meal
- Goal setting
- Discussion
 - Steve moves to put off until the next meeting (March). Gary seconds. Motion passes.

Toolkit - February 27th and Synod Mailing List

- Members are encouraged by Jenni and Taryn to sign up for a session.

Facilities Manager- Time Card/ Salary- will be a time card position for 15-20 per week.

- Steph requests employees be time card vs salary
 - Ian and Steph- time card
 - Julie- salary

- The pastor reached out to the bishop and clergy in our area and recommendations said we could go either way.
- Steve moves to approve that the Facilities Manager will be a time card position for 15-20 per week. Gary seconds the motion. Motion passes.
 - Jenni moves to amend Steve's motion... To approve that the Facilities Manager will be a time card position for up to 20 per week. Gary seconds the motion. Motion passes.

Gary Anderson moves to adjourn. Steve seconds. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Schnieder, Secretary