Cambridge Evangelical Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Agenda January 24, 2021 - 11:00 am

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Call to order by Michelle Kopp, Council President

- Quorum
- Handouts

Motion to Accept Agenda

Prayer & Litany (See inside cover of Annual Report booklet), page 2

Affirmations

Secretary's Report - Pages 4-5

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- 1. Accept Reports
- 2. Thank Council
- 3. Cause of the Month
- 4. Ministry Partner Support: International, Regional, Local.
- 5. 2021 Budget
- 6. Remember Those Who Died in 2020

Council Nominations & Election for 2021 Council*

Cemetery Board Nominations & Election for 2021*

Cause of the Month 2021 Nominations & Ballot*

Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly Delegation Nominations & Elections for 2021*

Closing Prayer

Adjournment

^{*}Results available in church office

2021 Church Council Nominations

Biographical Information - Blue Page -

Deanna Dunbar

33310 Cobalt Dr NW, Cambridge

Occupation: Administrative Assistant, Cambridge Primary School Family/children: Husband - Jon Dunbar. 3 Sons - Mitch, Joe, Peter.

Member/How long? Since 1986

Church Activities? Logos, Sunday School, Confirmation, Greeter, Usher, small group participant and many other roles including. I attend both the traditional and contemporary worship services.

Why do you want to serve on Church Council?

God calls us to serve and I feel that serving on church council is a great opportunity to answer that call.

How is Jesus Christ active in your life? I have had a blessed life and I believe that Christ's presence guides me each day. Being a part of the Kingdom of God is amazing and helps to keep the right perspective in my life.

Kate Goebel

705 Bergman Ct. NW, Isanti

Occupation: Teacher 5th grade in Isanti / coach - swimming

Family: 1 husband 2 boys - 7th, 10th grade

Member: Since 2002

Church Activities: Kidzone, Logos, Call Committee for pastor (found Pastor Emily), nursery volunteer, Splash Sunday school leader,

and VBS.

Why do you want to serve on church council: I like to help make important decisions. I want to be involved in the opportunities at church and helping to organize events. My husband enjoyed his commitment and now it's my turn.

How is Jesus Christ active in your life: Prayer, songs and trying to show God's love to others in my day.

Anne Nelson

503 Sunset Ln, Cambridge

Occupation: Customer Relationship Manager (account Manager) for RSP Architects

Family/children: Husband Steve, Sons Ben and Jack.

Member/How long? I am a member of CLC. I am not sure how long. I Became a member when we moved up here. So about 20 years.

Church Activities? Served in the Nursery; Logos Table Parent (3 years); participated in Holiday decorating (2 years); helped obtain donations and coordinate small rework of Junior High Youth Room prior to big remodel; participated in ALPHA and FPU; assisted Jennifer Larson on her committee for the Capital Campaign; served as an usher and Communion Server; Path to Home dinner provider volunteer.

Why do you want to serve on Church Council? Opportunity to serve in a capacity that is achievable for me and my schedule. Opportunity to collaborate with ideally like-minded people and to get to know these people on a more than superficial level. The church does amazing things and I have seen how it has grown over the years and it's something that I would like to continue to be a part of.

How is Jesus Christ active in your life? Being a member of CLC has afforded me the opportunity to deepen my faith where it may not have if I did not get involved in some way. Demonstrating Grace is very important to me, especially during the times and events of this past year. They have been very difficult, but I do have faith that there is an ultimate plan and we need to continue to do what is right. It is very easy to judge but the hard work comes when you are curious and look at things in a holistic way and come from a position of Grace initially.

Nancy Anderson

3199 345th Ave. NE, Cambridge

Occupation: Retired Public Health Nurse

Family/children? Husband: Dale, Adult Children: Kaarin, Reid, John

and Kirsten

Member/How long? I have been a lifelong member. I was baptized, confirmed and married at CLC.

Church Activities? When our children were young, I taught Sunday school for 11 years, was involved in LOGOS and EverBlest, serving on the board. I also serve with Hospitality and Path to Home.

Why do you want to serve on Church Council? My roots run deep at CLC and now that I am retired I feel I have the time to serve on church council, to help make decisions and to keep CLC growing and serving our community.

How is Jesus Christ active in your life?

As long as I can remember, Jesus Christ has been the center of my life. I am thankful for the legacy of faith that was instilled in me by my family and CLC. They have helped shape my faith. Jesus Christ continues to guide me, give me strength and grace each day. I am truly blessed to have a personal relationship with him.

Arne Everson

447 4th Ave NW, Cambridge

Occupation: Retired music teacher; choir director

Family/children? Wife, Ellen; Daughter Kaia and husband Jim Ringwald, grandsons Eli and Sam; Son, Peter (deceased) and wife Zoey, grandchildren, Aili and Nolan.

Member/How long? 50 years

Church Activities? I started singing in the children's choir at age 3. (My mother was the director). My Dad was a pastor, so church activity was always a major part of my life. That has carried over into my adult years mostly involving music related activities. I served CLC as Minister of Music for over 35 years, directing the Sanctuary Choir as well as various children and youth choirs over the years. I continue to lead the PrimeTime Singers. I was chair of the five Cambridge Swedish Festivals, chaired the CLC150th Anniversary Committee, co-chaired the Renew building renovation committee, co-chaired the Renew Capital Campaign, and most recently I served two years as Director of Stewardship.

Why do you want to serve on Church Council? Because I've been employed by the church during most of my membership years, I have never served on the council. CLC has been very significant in my life, so now, being unemployed, I am happy to serve.

How is Jesus Christ active in your life?

Jesus is not only my Lord and Savior, but is the model and teacher for a life of service to others. Since childhood, and on into an older age, Jesus has been "the way, the truth and the life" to me, giving me purpose and direction each day.

Cambridge Evangelical Lutheran Church Cause of the Month Descriptions - Red Page -

Path to Home

An outreach program to families who are currently without a home. Churches in the area take turns about every four months providing a safe place for the families to stay overnight for one week in each church. New Pathways is the organization that has them during the day offering help and resources to find jobs and housing, parenting classes, resume help, counseling, etc. as appropriate for each family. Money raised helps defer the cost of meals.

Lake Wapogassett Lutheran Bible Camp (ELCA)

CLC sends young people to Camp Wapo each summer accompanied by staff, volunteers and pastors. Wapogassett is a camping and retreat ministry serving youth, adults, and families throughout the year, with thousands of campers participating every summer in the life-changing experience that is discovering Jesus Christ through Christian Community in an outdoor ministry setting. Situated on a 22 acre peninsula between Lake Wapogassett and Bear Trap Lake near Amery, WI, is camp Wapo. For over 60 years, Camp Wapo has provided a place for youth and adults to be challenged and inspired to grow in their relationship with God. Daily activities include chapel, Bible study, cabin activity, free time field games, all camp activity, campfire and special nighttime worship. Not only does this site house over 300 campers each week in the summer, it is full of activity all year-round. Through our settings and programs, we seek to partner with congregations, providing dynamic opportunities of faith growth and education in Scripture. Our theology is Lutheran with an appreciation for all different expressions of faith within the Christian Church. Our website is campwapo.org.

Family Pathways

For the Hungry: the Food Pantry is for those who need help; for older adults who are unable to meet the high cost of living; and for children who cannot succeed in school if they are hungry. Caring for the Elderly: Companion care for seniors lacking a support system. Respite for families caring for loved ones with chronic or limiting conditions. Dedicated to guiding families back to stability through assessment, referral, and long-term plans for self-sufficiency. We humbly request your help.

New Pathways

New Pathways serves homeless families with children in the surrounding five-county area including: Pine, Isanti, Mille Lacs, Kanabec and Chisago. Our day center in Cambridge provides support through comprehensive case management. Families reach necessary goals with provided educational skills and with the aid of Interfaith Hospitality Network Churches and volunteers.

Seminary Scholarship

Seminary scholarship donations are used to help pay the tuition payments for those members of our congregation who are attending an ELCA seminary with the intention of being ordained into ministry from this congregation and who understand Cambridge Evangelical Lutheran Church to be their primary church home. When there are no seminary students from our congregation, funds are given to a synod fund for Seminary Scholarships.

Surplus Food Distribution

Cambridge Surplus Food Distribution (CSFD) is a partnership with Second Harvest Heartland that aims to end hunger in our community, by distributing surplus food, such as over stocked, close-dated or bulk

items to individuals and families who are in crisis or whose income does not exceed federal poverty guidelines. The location is at the Isanti County Fairgrounds, 3101 Highway 95 Northeast, Cambridge, MN 55008-7896. Distribution is the third Tuesday of the month.

Lutheran World Relief

LWR continues to provide quilts, layettes, health and school kits, sewing supplies and soap to needy people around the world. Currently, Cambridge Lutheran is providing these items, but funds are needed to ship them from the warehouse to their final destination.

Mashiah Foundation in Nigeria

Mashiah Foundation, in Jos, Nigeria is a Christian outreach responding to individuals affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Africa. Mashiah Foundation operates an AIDS clinic; has a home and school for AIDS orphans; a Vocational Center that teaches women job skills to provide for themselves and their children; and a variety of youth programs. Cambridge Lutheran began its friendship and partnership with the people of Mashiah Foundation in 2006, after a period of prayer from a group of members who wanted to reach out and respond to the AIDS crisis in Africa. We invite you to pray about what God is leading us to do in our partnership in the year ahead.

ARC Retreat Center

ARC Retreat Center provides a time and space apart for groups and individuals seeking rest and spiritual renewal. A scholarship program offers retreat time for those who cannot afford it.

The Refuge

The Refuge Network is a multi-community organization whose primary purpose is to provide supportive services for people who are currently involved in, or have been involved in, an abusive relationship. The Refuge believes that no one deserves to be abused and therefore seeks to bring an end to domestic violence.

Mission Jamaica

The Mission Jamaica ministry leaders at Cambridge Lutheran are Jack and Joanne Revoir. Mission Jamaica (MJ) is a short-term "vacation with a purpose" mission experience which began in 1989. Since that time, over 35 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregations and several

colleges from Minnesota as well as North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Georgia, North Carolina and Illinois have partnered in this mission field. Mission Jamaica also works with J'Abode, a program similar to Habitat for Humanity, at various sites throughout Jamaica. In January 2017, one of the primary buildings used by the Mission Jamaica ministry burned to the ground soon after the group from Cambridge Lutheran returned from their trip.

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit Christian housing ministry that works both to eliminate poverty housing locally and worldwide for those in need of affordable housing. For many of our neighbors in need, the fruit of their labor does not allow them to escape sub-standard housing. With a hand up instead of a handout, Habitat projects create affordable homes with no-interest mortgages for those unable to obtain conventional financing. Our local affiliate East Central MN Habitat for Humanity's goal is to eliminate poverty housing in our five county area by encouraging local churches and others to participate in this ministry.

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Cause of the Month

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Vote for approval of the Block ☐ Yes ☐ No

March - Path to Home

April - Wapo Bible Camp

May - Family Pathways

June - New Pathways

July - Seminary Scholarship

Aug. - Surplus Food Dist.

Sept. - Lutheran World Relief

Oct. - Mashiah Foundation

Nov. - ARC Retreat Center

Dec. - The Refuge

Jan. 2022 - Mission Jamaica

Feb. 2022 - Habitat for Humanity

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Church Council Ballot

Three-year term – Vote for 5				
	Anne Nelson		Deanna Dunbar	
	Arne Everson		Kate Goebel	
	Nancy Anderson (Two-Year Term)			
	Youth Cou	ıncil	Ballot	
On	e-year term – Vote for 2			
	Anna Heath			
	Evan Goebel			
	Cemetery	Ball	ot	
Thi	ree-year term – Vote for 2			
	Dan Schnabel			
	Glenn Lood			

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Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly Delegates

Vote for 6		
	Carol Bell	
	Shirley Geib	
	Dawn Severson	
	Dave Severson	
	Amy Strydom	
	Harold Tuset	