



**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 12, 2018  
MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Treasurer Jeff Brown, Pastor Greg Sabetta, Crissy Schoeff, Lisa Bakker, Vince Mosca, Robbin Frey, President, Chris Toft, Curt Simonson, Nancy Rogers, Recording Secretary, Brenda Zaczek **Absent:** none **Others Present:** none

1. Meeting called to order and quorum established
2. Agenda approved
3. Opening Prayer–Pastor Greg
4. Approved previous minutes
5. Crissy shared her experience on her and her family’s mission trip in Puerto Rico
6. Budget Discussion
  - a. Final cost for roof was 16,000 above the approved draw down
  - b. The amount for roof repair will be called out in a special line because it won’t be part of the 2019 budget.
  - c. No pressing issue with the boiler at this time even though it is old. Waiting on energy assessment before moving forward with repairs.
  - d. Investments were stronger this year.
  - e. Theater school budget presented. Jeff and Lisa met with theater committee.
  - f. Discussion about 2019 pledges led to an acknowledgement that we should anticipate a decrease in 2019.
  - g. Information on Swanson fund distribution is not yet available.
  - h. Increase in maintenance budget based on spending in previous years and anticipated issues
  - i. Increase in workers comp and insurance on the building
  - j. Need to add more detail to the budget before presenting to the congregation
  - k. Annual Meeting-January 27
7. Pastor’s Report

- a. Nominating committee (Members at Large) identified who is renewing and who is rolling off committees.
  - b. The reduced numbers of the congregation has created challenges with finding people to fill empty positions.
  - c. Possibility of meeting with a consultant on church growth
  - d. Congregational Life is putting out a direct mail piece to promote Christmas events
8. Congregational Life Report
- a. Looking into a beer tasting event with connections in the community
9. Building and Grounds Report
- a. Waiting for results of energy audit by Elevate Energy
- 10. *Advocate to End Gun Violence in Your Community***
- a. Have had a couple good discussion with a third one coming up
  - b. One potential recipient of funds collected could be Safe and Peaceful Communities ([safeandpeacefulchi.com](http://safeandpeacefulchi.com)) but open to other suggestions. It would be nice to invite the recipient to make a presentation to the congregation.
11. Next meeting date December 11.
12. Council adjourned.