

St. Paul Lutheran Church - Church Council Meeting

Monday, March 12, 2018 @ 7:00 PM

~ **Make Disciples, Live Faithfully, Serve Others** ~

Call to order at 7:10 pm.

Devotions were led by Amy Drake.

Present: Pastor Jon Bull, Deb Wallace, Jean Forsythe, Pastor Rebecca Grate, Amy Drake, Tom Michael, Karla Kruse, Stephan Schindehette, Andy Schall. Scott Beckett Excused.

Guests/Visitors- none

Administrative Reports

- Secretary's Report - Amy Drake has submitted the February minutes electronically. Deb moved and Andy second to accept the minutes as presented with the formatting change discussed. Vote unanimously passed.
- Treasurer's Report - Andy Schall submitted his report electronically. Karla moved and Deb second to accept as presented. Vote unanimously passed.
- Pastor Bull's Report - Pastor Jonathan Bull presented his report electronically. Andy moved and Stephan second the motion to accept the membership transfers of Erica Haugtvedt and Pam Forkner. The vote unanimously passed.
- Pastor Grate's Report - Pastor Rebecca Grate presented her report electronically. Andy moved and Jean second the motion to affirm the baptism of 5 eighth grade boys. Vote unanimously passed.

Committee Reports

- Education/Youth - Amy Drake presented the committee met and discussed the state of education in our congregation. They discussed various holes and groups that are not represented in our current offerings of education. We also discussed how to get SPYkids age children in church also. Evening prayer service at the end of Sunday night youth activities is going very well and something we will use periodically after Lent as well.
- Inreach/Outreach - Jean Forsythe presented the Lenten soup suppers are going well and the Purse project will be happening again this year. God's Work our Hands will occur on 9/15 with a blessing of shirts on 9/9. We will be serving a meal at the Ronald McDonald house.
- Scholarship - Tom Michael reported they did not meet.
- Property/Cemetery/Interior Design - Scott Beckett submitted his report electronically. Fire system is back online and property has met with 3 companies and narrowed to 2. We will keep them in mind for the future as church's need is not immediate and the systems is online and working.

Pastor Jon moved and Andy second the motion to move forward with a complete HVAC system survey by an outside firm as recommended by Scott Beckett ascertaining the precise current operating condition of our HVAC system, make some simple repairs, and getting our HVAC in the best current condition. Scope of project not to exceed \$5000 and that the project will be paid from the 'major repair fund' (3.820.145). This vote to take place electronically.

Council further asks the committee to bring forth the list of immediate needs, not already in the budget, prioritized by the committee. At that time, council will discuss and vote appropriately so that necessary repairs can begin, pending funding.

- Technology - Stephan Schindehette reported the Domain controller has been set up, the Sanctuary HUB will be set up on 3/17. We have also received donations for a computer to be used in the office as well as a tv for the Library.
- Worship/Music - Karla Kruse reported we are moving forward with a few repairs to the organ including a pedal board and a missing chime we have never have. Philip has worked around this and "rewritten" many different pieces to work around this missing chime. Committee is moving forward with the hiring process for the praise band keyboardist. We will be having an Easter Vigil, please sign up for time to pray and be available for building attender/ letting folks in and out of the building during that service. This will be going on from Good Friday through Easter.
- Personnel/Administration - Deb Wallace reported that the committee did not meet. However, letters went out to those folks involved with the youth that need background updates to complete through the Westerville Police Department.
- Stewardship/Finance - Andy Schall reported the committee has begun the extra mile giving. The Financial Secretary reports that pledges are off by \$10,000.

Old Business/Action Item Follow-Up

-Microphone Order Status – The new ones are coming this week. We have gotten a better price, therefore we could include an additional microphone for visitors and we will be getting our rebates as soon as the old microphones have been sent in to the company.

-Check Signing Status – Andy will begin this process again.

-New Coffee machine with Air Pods is coming soo. The Electrician is coming this week to complete the electrical requirements. Once things are ready, we will place the first order, which will then set the process in motion for the plumber to come and get all hooked up. This is all included in the donation of the coffee machine. It will be set up on the metal table next to the ice machine.

New Business

- Appointment of Financial Management Task Force - Pastor Jon presented four individuals to council to make up the task force. Stephan moved to accept and Andy second the motion to appoint Julian Bell, Linda Sutter, Phil Gross, Pastor Lindsay Shaner to the Financial Task Force. Vote passed unanimously. Task

force and council will meet either April 21 or April 7, 9am to 11am to discuss thoughts, direction and needs.

-Karla requested all committees submit ideas on how they will “welcome others” to St. Paul. She is working on completing a concert series at St. Paul.

Devotions For April - Karla Kruse

Next Meeting - April 16, 2018 at 7 PM

Adjournment - Lord's Prayer – Andy moved and Karla second the motion to adjourn at 8:34 pm. Vote unanimously passed.