

St. Paul Lutheran Church - Church Council Meeting - Agenda

Monday, August 14, 2017 @ 7:00pm

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

Called to order at 7:05 pm with Gretchen Zody, Pastor Rebecca Grate, Jean Forsythe, Ryan Rackley, Amy Drake, Andy Schall, Karla Kruse, Tom Michael, Pastor Jon Bull. Scott Beckett Excused.

Devotions - Amy

Guests/Visitors - Jay Luft - Property/Cemetery – Discussion of transferring 2 cemetery lots from the Albrecht Family to their extended Family Fred and Ann Timm. Moved to accept the transfer by Ryan and second by Andy. Unanimous vote carried. Re-activating the cemetery committee discussed and to upgrade current cemetery records to current technology.

Jay also recommended replacement shrubs along the front ramp are needed as the others were dead and have been removed. He also resigned from the winter sidewalk responsibility after 10 years of spearheading and recommends hiring it out.

Thank you Jay for your many years of continued service in so many capacities, we have been blessed by your faithful service.

Administrative Reports

- Secretary's Report – Minutes – Ryan moved and Tom second, to accept as electronically submitted. Unanimously passed.
- Treasurer's Report - Andy/Bil – July we made good progress. Ryan moved and Jean second to accept as electronically submitted. Unanimously passed.
- Pastor's Report - Pastor Grate – She has been warmly welcomed and settling in to the swing of things. Installation will be at all services on 8/27, inside with reception after all 3 services. Pastor Wick, Southern Ohio Synod, will be here to preach and lead the installation.
- Crop walk donation forms will be available.
- September 10 we will be passing out Bibles to youth ages 3 & 4, 3rd and 4th grade and 6th and 7th grade at all services. SPYKids resumes.
- September 17 confirmation and youth group activities resume.
- Youth Extravaganza in January. Pastors will be going along with Carol Rackley to plan for Huston. We will vote electronically for approval of funds for this trip.

Committee Reports

- Education – Gretchen – Did not meet
- Youth Report – Gretchen- Did not meet

- Inreach/Outreach – Jean – Summer fest had a great turnout with lots of fun. God's work our Hands is 9/10 and we will be helping with Habitat for Humanity, Metro Park clean up and Ronald McDonald House. We sold 123 Luther Rose plaques the will benefit the Youth and ASP.
- Scholarship – Tom – did not meet. No new applications, we will keep supporting current recipients.
- Property/Cemetery/Interior Design – Scott – no report
- Technology – Ryan – Committee did meet and keeping things moving along. New headset microphones will be required as the frequency will no longer be available at the end of 2018. Will need to be included in the budget next year.
- Clover would not budge on price, we will be going with Pay pal for online giving.
- Worship & Music – Karla – did not meet
- Personnel & Administration – Scott – did not meet
- Stewardship & Finance – Andy – looking at how stewardship has been presented in the past and will be asking folks to give to a target. Asking for folks to give to ministries, as well as folks from ministries talking to the needs of their committees and how the dollars will benefit those ministries. These will be integrated into the service, rather than at the beginning of the services. Bring upcoming budget items to next month meeting.

Old Business/Action Item Follow-Up

- Survey Of Congregation - Worship And Music Developing - TBD
- Employee Handbook From Personnel Committee - TBD
- Constitution Update Needed - Ryan – Need to set date and meet.
- Check Signing - Next Steps - Andy - TBD

New Business

- Music Positions - Vote Conducted Electronically Positions have been offered and accepted by Karla Kruse as Director of Music, Jen Cabral Heaver as Praise Band Director. Looking at new candidates for Assistant Director Position.
- Reminder On Council Member Names –Bring at least one to next month meeting.
- Playground/Sail Purchase - Karen Kruse – this shall be routed through Property committee channels.
- Andy moved and Tom Second the motion to use Paypal for online giving and for the Technology Committee to move forward with setting that up.

Devotions For August - Karla

Next Meeting - September 11, 2017 at 7pm

Adjournment - Lord's Prayer 8:55 pm.