

Present: Pastor Natwick, Glen Bruhschwein, Cora Tormaschy, Linda Splichal, Dan Pender, Tim Wegner, Margaret Marcusen, Glenice Hanson, Susan Moberg

Absent: Pastor Lewton (attending son's piano recital), Bobby Kubas, Jerry Schwartz, Russ Murphy, Jonathan Tangen, Mike Parke, Sandra Moos

Administrative Reports

1. **Consent Agenda:** no items were pulled out for separate discussion. Motion to approve by Glenice, 2nd by Dan. Motion carried.
2. **Trustee Report:** no report
3. **Communications:** Information from Portico, a benefit provider. Glen received a letter back from United Methodist Church with thanks for agreeing to work with them as they look to build. Discussion and planning will continue.

Pastoral Reports

4. **Pastor Natwick:** Joe approved his mutual ministry committee: Nate Shilman, Faith Simonieg, Jean Herauf, Steve Lervik. Monsignor Shumaker was present on Thursday, March 10 for an inter-denominational dialogue about communion. It was well attended and well received. We have an Imam coming on Sunday, March 13. He will speak for about 30 minutes on the basics of the Muslim faith, and then there will be 30 minutes of questions. We have opened this event up to other churches and the community.
5. **Pastor Lewton:** no report

Old Business

1. **Senior High Mission Trip:** Discussion about transportation and details about the mystery mission trip.
2. **Ecumenical and Interfaith Work:**
 - a. Thurs., March 10 before and during worship: Dialogue with area priest regarding Holy Communion
 - b. Sun., March 13 at 6:30 P.M.: "Get to know our Muslim neighbors" with Muslim Imam Younis Ibrihim.
3. **Four voting members (congregation or Council members) needed for Western North Dakota Synod Assembly:** Friday and Saturday, June 10-11, Ramkota in Bismarck.
4. **Faith Formation Director Update:** We had completed all of the paperwork to call a rostered leader, and we have a candidate for diaconal minister from the bishop. We had been in discussion with someone about the position who was not a rostered leader, so we will end discussions with that person while we fulfill the call process. The call candidate comes with a lot of experience, including experience with Milestone Ministry, Vibrant Faith, and Stephen Ministry. Next step is to form a call committee. After meeting with the candidate, the call

committee will determine whether or not to recommend extending a call. The recommendation goes to the council and congregation, and if the call is extended, the candidate then gets to decide whether or not to accept. Time frame: Joe suggested a Skype session between the candidate and the call committee sometime during the week following Easter. If that goes well, then the candidate would be invited to come to Dickinson for a more in-depth meeting.

5. **Designation of remaining Accumulated Reserves:** the minutes aren't entirely clear from the February meeting. Dan Pender moved to approve the reallocation of the \$19,250 as suggested by the staff:
 - a. \$1000 to Senior Pastor Continuing Education
 - b. \$650 to Pastor 2 Continuing Education
 - c. \$2000 to Youth/Family Ministry
 - d. \$900 to Youth Bibles
 - e. \$5300 to Equipment Reserve
 - f. \$5000 to Stephens Ministries
 - g. \$4400 Tithe of 10% of Reserves to DVRCC

That leaves \$24480 to be reallocated. After the last meeting, Glen had a conversation with Mike Parke, and Mike indicated that we could create another category of "Miscellaneous Line Item" for the rest of our accumulated reserves. Motion by Linda Splichal to create a "Miscellaneous Line Item" account and to move the \$24480 into that account. Second by Dan Pender. Question by Joe: who has the authority to determine how /when that money gets spent? Mike Parke and Pam Weidner would be the ones to answer that question. We will add that discussion to the agenda for next month. Motion carried.

New Business

6. **Update Stewardship Finance Committee Continuing Resolution (April meeting)**
7. **Call Committee:** Dan Pender moved that we accept the following people as the call committee for the Faith Formation Director position: Joe Natwick, Tim Wegner, Jodeen Myers, Paula Loegering, Abigail Moberg . Second by Margaret Marcusen. Motion carried.
8. **Banking resolution:** In the February resolution, we designated too many people and forgot our pastors and Pam Weidner. New motion by Margaret Marcusen for the council president, the two pastors, and Pam Weidner to be the designated signers; second by Linda Splichal. Motion carried.

Be it resolved that the following persons are authorized as signers on the signature card for St. John Ev. Lutheran Church's checking account: Pastor Lisa Lewton, Pastor Joe Natwick, Pam Weidner, Glen Bruhschwein.

Motion to designate both pastors, the council president, and Pam Weidner for access the safe deposit box by Tim Wegner, second by Margaret Marcusen. Motion carried.

Be it resolved that the following persons are allowed to access the safe deposit box for St. John Ev. Lutheran Church in Dickinson, ND: Pastor Lisa Lewton, Pastor Joe Natwick, Pam Weidner, Glen Bruhschwein

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 19 at 7:00 P.M., preceded by the Executive Committee meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Meeting adjourned 1:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Moberg, Senior Deacon