

St. John Lutheran
Congregation Council Meeting
September 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Pastor Lewton, President Tim Wegner, Tasha Gartner, Jesse Kilwein, Margaret Marcusen, Loren Mathson, Susan Moberg, Darlene Pelton, Dan Pender, Linda Splichal, Jon Tangen, Cora Tormaschy and Sandra Moos

Absent: Pastor Natwick, Jerry Schwartz, and Pete Leno

Staff Attendees: None

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

President Wegner led us in devotions and discussion of Chapters 1 and 2 of the book; Reclaiming the “L” Word by Kelly A. Fryer.

Administrative Reports

Consent Agenda- The Consent Agenda was approved by Council with no objections.

Financial Statement- Tasha Gartner reviewed the Financial Statement, it was accepted by Council with no objections.

Trustee Report- Jon reported that there are clay tiles falling off the roof on the east side of the church. He will consult with Russ Koepplin for ideas on repairing it. It is an immediate concern as it is a safety hazard. The last time it was worked on was in 1977 by a company in Minneapolis, it is believed that they are the original tiles. Jon also reported a leak in the ceiling of Jodeen’s office that needs to be repaired, it is not believed that the clay tiles are attributing to this. He also announced that boring for water and electricity is due to begin on Friday to the property located on the east side of the church, which will allow sprinklers to be installed.

Communications- a Synod Newsletter and a thank you from Wartberg Seminary for a gift of \$5,000 in honor of Mackenzie Hoffman was circulated.

Pastoral Reports

Pastor Natwick was absent and is due to return on Wednesday after attending a Reformation tour. He will conduct classes relating to his journey in October.

Pastor Lewton reported that Jodeen Myers has resigned effective November 1st. The opening will be in the bulletin for 2 weeks. Wednesday evening events were extremely busy; well attended, the new schedule is working great. Reformation weekend will start the end of October. A Personnel Committee is being formed. Pastor Lewton will be out of the office on October 22nd.

Legacy of Faith Campaign- we have received \$331,631 in pledges with \$293,391 given to date. As of August 31, \$203,957 was expended on the property, leaving balance of \$21,043 to landscape and \$35,000 for the Synod and \$35,000 for Domestic Violence.

St. John policies- Margaret Marcusen made a motion to approve the revised policies; this motion was seconded by Susan Moberg. Motion carried.

Church Logo- is still in the works with nothing new to report.

Strategic Planning- Steve Tangen gave Pastor Lewton and Pastor Natwick homework for their meeting during the first of October. There should be a draft to present in December.

New Business

App and Website- Pastor Lewton reported that they have been well used this summer.

New Members- received in August were Elizabeth Yoder; Ryan Callahan; Ryan, Mandy, Rylan & Reese Heiser; Brenda & Ashlyn Messer; Amanda Egan; Becca Simonds; Rachael and Matthew Sisson. A motion was made by Tasha Gartner and seconded by Linda Splichal to accept the new members. Motion carried.

Confirmands- a motion made by Tasha Gartner and seconded by Jesse Kilwein to accept the list of Confirmands; Madison Arndt, Isabelle Bookhardt, Allison Dukart, Bradyn Enderud, Jersey Filkowski, Seth Gangl, Hailey Graves, Colten Krank, Kaden Lunstad, Rasia Mackey, Emma Meduna, Sophia Mettler, Cullen Murphy, Raghyn Murphy, Arley Price, Hailey Rathgeber, Jacob Robb, Nevaeh Wandler, Caylee Wilke, and Brycen Yazzie. Motion carried.

Annual Meeting Date was set for February 11, 2018. Possible options of moving the meeting to the basement; making it more engaging and informative; a possible brunch and having it between services were discussed.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 17^h at 7:00 p.m., preceded by the Executive Committee at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. With the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted
Sandra Moos, Council Recording Secretary