

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER --- CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, February 13, 2024
6:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
6:30pm Council Meeting

Council Members: Laurie Tennis, Monte Hopper, Codi Martin, Ryan Nuttall, Ann DeSpiegler, Gwen McGillivray, Jan Birkeland, Jessica Kruse, Alan Stager. Advisory: Pastor Dan Overbo and Pastor Laura Overbo.

Those Absent: Ryan Nuttall, Ann DeSpiegler

Call to Order: Monte Hopper

Opening Prayer: Pastor Dan Overbo

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve by Gwen M . Second by Codi M. Motion carried.

Treats: Laurie

Review / Approve January 9th 2024 Council Meeting Minutes: Motion made to approve by Codi M . Second by Laurie T. Motion carried.

Review/Approve January 28th 2024 Council Meeting Minutes: Motion made to approve by Jan B. Second by Jessica K. Motion carried.

Review / Approve January 2024 Treasurer's Report: Total income for January \$155,085.78. Total expenses \$80,717.89. Surplus of \$74,365.69. General offering for January was \$118,672.28 (budgeted \$76,312.76). Budget surplus was dumped into January income \$27,736.98. The Capital Campaign brought in \$915 in new donations and generated \$221.36 in interest. Current total for Capital Campaign \$271,853.02. Motion to approve by Gwen M. Second by Alan S. Motion carried.

Welcoming of New Member

- Distribution of Binders. These were already provided to new members.
- Mailboxes are located in the hallway between the sanctuary and the chapel.
- Expectations are laid out in the constitution.
- Synod Zoom Orientation Program is on Tuesday March 5th starting at 7:00. This is for new and existing council members; all received an email from Pastor Laura with the Zoom link.

Old Business:

- First Premier Bank CD Matures 2/19/2024 (total of \$90,636.63). Discussion on what to do with this and the decision was made to move this amount into a money market with First Premier Bank. Motion was made by Laurie T. Seconded by Gwen.. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Gwen M for Laurie A Tennis, Arthur M Hopper, and Jodi L Spilde, to be authorized to sign for checks at the First Premier Bank account noted above, with two out of the three needing to sign for all checks. Second by Laurie T. Motion carried.

New Business:

- Discussion/decision of future use of Google Docs/ Paper documents

- Pastor Dan to talk with Jodi about having a tutorial for Google Docs. Possible Wednesday night during Lent. Will continue to print all documents and these will be placed in mailboxes.
- Please sign up to receive Synod e-mails by going to the www.sdsynod.org and sign up for The Synod News.
- Establish liaison members for committees (refer to pages 24-26 of continuing resolutions).
 - Faith Formation-Codi
 - Fellowship-Gwen
 - Policy- Monte
 - Preschool-Laurie
 - Property-Alan
 - Stewardship-Jan
 - Worship & Music-Ryan
 - Youth & Family-Jessica
 - Endowment-Ann
- Bruce Hestad Proposal. Monte will contact Jerry Reiber and Tony Kneland to contact Bruce Hestad to get a plan on his idea for the great hall.
- Explanation of Executive Committee (as set forth in B3.01a (pg22) of constitution).
Reference here to see who is all involved in the executive committee and what the purpose of this committee is.
 - Executive committee meetings will be held in the Grace Alone room 30 minutes prior to each church council meeting.
- Monte H motioned to change summer, from Memorial Day to Labor Day, worship times to 9:30 service at the church and 9:00 service at the Memorial Park. Seconded by Laurie T. Motion carried.
- New signature cards for bank accounts
 - Signature/Authorized Signer Updated to Accounts:
 - Signature Card Updates at Reliabank-Accounts 187095 and 187096
 - Remove Beverly K Splinter
 - Keep Jodi L Spilde and Laurie A Tennis
 - Add Monte Hopper
 - Signature Card Update at First Interstate Bank-Account 3300412103518
 - Remove Beverly K Splinter
 - Keep Jodi L Spilde and Laurie A Tennis
 - Add Monte Hopper
 - Motion made by Gwen M. to remove Beverly K Splinter from being an authorized signature for the Reliabank accounts 187095 and 187096 and First Interstate Bank account 3300412103518 while keeping Jodi L Spilde and Laurie A Tennis and adding Arthur M Hopper. Second by Jessica K. Motion passed.
 - Motion made by Laurie T to provide direction to Jodi to deposit any excess money above \$250,000 from Reliabank and move this to the new First Premier Bank account mentioned above. Second by Jessica K. second. Motion carried.
- Status of possible assistance to Grace Lutheran Church (proposed sponsorship of a Ukrainian Family). Motion made by Alan S to send a letter back to Grace Lutheran Church which will release all responsibilities of Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer from the original letter that was sent to Grace on May 15th, 2023. Seconded by Jan B. Motion carried.

Pastor's Reports:

- Pastor Dan-attended a Senior Pastor Conference and was able to meet with other senior pastors along with the Bishop. Meeting with a group of individuals who are wanting to go to Zimbabwe on 2/21/24, currently 23 people interested. Went to his first meeting for the Salvation Army advisory board. Pastors will be on vacation from March 11-17, coverage completed. Communion visitation to all care centers and most in-homes members are once a month.
- Pastor Laura-will be teaching a class on boundaries for the South Dakota Synod. Lent services are decided which will be Paul Oman Drawn To The World on Sunday and Beatitudes on Wednesday. Pastors will be gone March 11-17 on vacation. Confirmation students to make Faithbook during Lent. Work on updating the church website.

Committee Reports

- Education - Peg-Vacation Bible School will be May 29th and 30th and registration will be in April. Still needing adult teachers on Wednesday. Planning to have a small activity in the summer for Junction. Next meeting is April 15th.
- Fellowship - Gwen-review on Ladies Night Out. Brought in \$2,136.76. Will be donating \$2,000 to Church on the Street. Looking at dates of November 4th or 11th. 125 adults and 39 kids attended the Advent Tour of Nativities. LeeAnn Johnson will be stepping down and Jan Bjerkland and Jessica Peterson will be joining.
- Finance - Laurie-did not meet.
- Policy - Monte- did not meet.
- Preschool - Ryan-Have 11 students signed up for next year.
- Property - Tony - Mesh above cross in the sanctuary was replaced with frosted glass.
- Stewardship - Codi- did not meet.
- Worship and Music - Bev- will be meeting 4 times a year (before lent, before summer schedule, before fall schedule, before advent. Bev will continue to be the chair. Sound and projection is going well with Zach and any issues will be talked about with him directly. Talked about putting together activity bags for older kids and also needed another stand for extra bags. Palm Sunday March 24th, ordering palms through ECOPalms, ordering deadline is March 1st. Maunday Thursday services at 6:30pm, Good Friday services at 6:30pm, no services on Saturday, Easter three services 7:00am, 8:30am, and 10:00am. First communion recognition April 21 and 24. 9th grade confirmation April 27. 8th grade confirmation April 28. High School recognition May 5th.
- Endowment - Ann -did not meet.

Upcoming Events at LCOOR:

Next Meeting:

- March 19, 2024
 - 6:00 p.m. executive committee
 - 6:30 p.m. church council

Closing Prayer: Pastor LauraOverbo

Treats: Laurie

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made by Codi M. Seconded by Gwen M. Motion carried.