

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Council
Council Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2020

Attendance: Via Zoom, Council: Jonathan Brown, Adam Eikamp, Wendy Einsweiler, Tami Ernster, Michele Faubel, Gretchen Kueter, Pastor Josh Martyn, Pastor Derek Rosenstiel, Darrell Kalmes, Sue Tigges, Terry Hoefflin, Lilly Hoefflin. Absent: Marlee Tart

President Sue Tigges called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

President Sue reviewed the agenda, there was a condensed agenda due to all of us being remote and some discussions may run longer. Terry Hoefflin moved to approve the agenda. Gretchen Kueter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Josh talked about the decision to close the doors to the church and thankful for the fast response of the council on their input and support. Members were grateful for the decision to keep everyone safe. Lenten worship and Sunday service will all be available online on Wednesdays and Sundays. We are going to utilize Wartburg Seminary Zoom capabilities. Pastor states one of their main goals during this troubling time is being able to stay connected to people. The church is going to take two weeks at a time making decisions. Right now at church, only the staff is allowed in the church. Custodians are going to be deep cleaning each room in the church. Chuck and Jill will still be playing for church and going through and planning music.

Associate Pastor's Report: Pastor Derek said his main goal during this time is supporting Pastor Josh through the many decisions that are needing to be made. He has been helping work with the Stephen Ministers to make sure that we are reaching out to the people that are in isolation and trying to make some kind of contact with them. Derek and his wife Becky have been working on getting the website updated and planning on a place to have an online giving tab that is easy to navigate to. The outreach committee is still going to be doing the food giveaway, however making some alterations due to the COVID-19 virus.

New Business:

Vice President Adam Eikamp gave the status of the roof of the church. The Executive Committee had a meeting with some member of Building and Grounds and Mark Phalen, our insurance agent. Mark talked about the process that has happened since the June 30th Storm. The church had Giese Construction do the patch work and then opened a claim with Guide One. There was miscommunication by everyone regarding a quote and payout for that quote. A new bid was asked for by Building and Grounds and there was about a \$22,000 difference between the two quotes so building and grounds started questioning the process. The work was not done and the check is sitting in the designated Roof Fund. The area that was covered by the quote and check was for the Repair that is 150x 30'. A 2nd claim was talked about. This would get Guide One to open up another claim to see if there is more damage elsewhere on the roof that has nothing to do with the 150 x 30 area. A Public Adjuster was brought up and discussed. The public adjustor would be the middle man between the contractor and the insurance company Guide One to help with negotiations in getting the roof fixed. Darrell Kalmes moved to have President Sue sign the agreement and the church to hire a public adjustor. Gretchen Kueter seconded the motion. Ayes: 10; Nays: 2. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ACTION ITEMS

Building and Grounds B&G would like to modify our computer infrastructure to provide better and more secure wi-fi access throughout our building, to speed up office computer response time and allow better utilization of the ProCare software in Noah's Ark. These improvements would be funded by private donations separate from the budget. They are also proposing the restructuring of the current network for HTLC. This re-structure will add a new server as well as wireless access points throughout the building. This mesh system will add accessibility for everyone at HTLC as well as improved capabilities for security. Proposed re-configuration is through ABS Computer Network and Computer - off of cedar cross road. Darrell Kales moved to approve using ABS Computer Network and Computer to get this all set up. Payment will be figured out at a later date. Terry Hoefflin seconded. Motion Carried.

President Sue Tigges adjourned the meeting at 7:36PM.

The Lord's Prayer was said by all members via Zoom.

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Submitted by

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