

The Guiding Light

Celebrating God As We Serve Others June 2019



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From Our Pastor **The Lot**

I usually don't use this space for a particular thing that I want to have you as a congregation do. And since I won't be here in Pembroke much longer and I am your pastor, I believe that I will share with you what I strongly suggest you should do.

We have purchased the empty lot along side the parking lot and it was a good place to pile up all our snow this winter. Now that the snow has melted, it is time to do something with the lot other than cut weeds and grass. We need to build something on it! And I mean not only Zion but all of us as Lutherans in the Ottawa Valley. We have enough of us to join together and create an organization to help people in our communities.

I propose that we join together and organize Lutheran Social Services of the Ottawa Valley. The first building that we build could be a place that would provide hospice care for people who are dying and their families. Through out Renfrew County there are about a dozen beds available for this most important care of those who are dying. It will be a step in offering care for those whose lives

are coming to an end.

After that there are other opportunities for people to build in other places different facilities that can offer other levels of care and forms of care for people in our area. Some other forms of care that can be provided might connect us with people who are homeless Veterans. We can provide a safe and affordable place to live for seniors who are unable to pay the costs of retirement homes. One idea is to combine childcare and dementia care together in one place to bring out the best in both groups that need our care.

We are also facing a crisis in mental health and autism. Is there a more peaceful place in the Valley than Lutherlyn camp? It could provide an ideal place for people who need time and space away for healing. Lutherlyn could also become a place for Spiritual healing as a retreat center for individuals and small groups.

This is only the beginning. There are needs that we don't know about yet or are still to be discovered. I use the words of Jesus in John 10:10 "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." These are God's words to all of us and an invitation for those of us who are able to help.

It all starts with an empty lot,
+Paul R-P

Scheduled Worship Texts for the Services in June

Date	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
June 2 (Easter 7)	Acts 16:16-34	Psalm 97	Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21	John 17:20-26
June 9 (Pentecost)	Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9	Psalm 104:24-34,35b	Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21	John 14:8-17 [25-27]
June 16 (Holy Trinity)	Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31	Psalm 8	Romans 5:1-5	John 16:12-15
June 23 (Pentecost 2)	Isaiah 65:1-9	Psalm 22:19-28	Galatians 3:23-29	Luke 8:26-39
June 30 (Pentecost 3)	1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21	Psalm 16	Galatians 5:1,13-25	Luke 9:51-62



Minutes

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Present: Chair-Susan Dupuis, Vice Chair- Ellen Vandersleen
Members-Rick Gerundin, Diane Leeder, Joel Nieman, Cheryl Sack, Wilmer Verch, Patricia Wegner, Diana Wegner
Treasurer: Gerry Vandersleen
Pastor: Paul Roellchen-Pfohl

Absent:

Excused: Jill Kellough, Diana Wegner, Dan Dole, Karen Gauthier (secretary)

Opening: The meeting was opened by chair, Susan Dupuis. Opening devotions were given by Joel Nieman.

Agenda: The agenda was reviewed. Additions: Social Ministry, Easter Breakfast, Off Site Liability

Motion to approve agenda: Ellen Vandersleen.

Seconded: Wilmer Verch.

Minutes: The previous council meeting minutes of March 12, 2019 were reviewed.

Motion to approve minutes: Diane Leeder.

Seconded: Rick Gerundin.

Finance Report: Gerry Vandersleen brought attention to the following items from the comparative income statement and balance statement:

- Property Maintenance is up due to boiler repairs.
- Regular offerings are down compared to the previous year.
- Total expenses are up compared to the previous year.

Property Report:

- Gerry has called our insurance company and a claim has been presented for the waterdamage in the entrance way. He will be meeting with the adjuster tomorrow morning.
- Gerry has suggested that a committee be formed to looking into the use of the new property purchased last year. This would include ideas and costing. In the short term we would like to have a sign posted on the new entrance way.

Pastor's Report:

- Viola Antler died Monday the 9th of April. Her funeral will be Friday the 12th at 11 AM.
- I will be on holidays the week after Easter until Friday the 26th. Pastor Bruce Thompson will be the pastoral contact while I'm away.

- April 28th there will be a movie night in the parish hall. It is based on the story of Joseph in the book of Genesis.
- Saturday May 22th there will be a workshop for invitation/evangelism hosted by the Ministry Area Team at Grace, Eganville.
- Tuesday May 14th I will be in Ottawa participating in the healthy boundaries workshop for pastors in the Synod.
- Annual meeting for Lutherlyn Camp will be on May 25th at St Timothy's.
- Youth retreat for confirmation age youth will be at Lutherlyn May 31 – June 1. Cost is \$75 per person.
- Soon spring will be here and the burial season for those who have died over the winter will take place. I have one burial for June the 8th, Pam Colbear.
- June 9th will be the date for confirmation this year.
- June 16th will be the date for the waterfront service. The time will be 11 a.m.

Correspondence:

- None

Committee Reports:

- **Call Committee:** Rev. Doug Reble, Assistant to the Bishop will be meeting with both the Call Committee and Church Council on Wed. April 24th at 7 pm.
- **Visioning Committee:** The results from the survey completed last fall have been reviewed by the committee. After Easter the committee will be meeting again to work on next steps. A copy of the report can be found in the library. It is quite large so there is only 1 print copy. Anyone interested in having a copy e-mail can contact Susan Dupuis. It was also suggested that this may be posted on our website. Susan to discuss this with Doug Malliff. She will also be putting an article in the Guiding Light with some background on the company that produced the report and some of the highlights in our church summary.
- **Social Ministry:**
 1. The committee met on April 1st.
 2. On Tues. April 30 they will be preparing the Boys and Girls club dinner.
 3. Our Lenten dinners have been going very well. 10 meals each week are set aside for our shut-ins and 10 meal tickets are distributed at the local soup kitchen.
 4. We had place money aside to be given to the Salvation Army. As they have closed the local branch these funds will be re-directed. The decision on where they will go has not be made.
 5. Saturday June 15th we will be getting together to do batch cooking for our shut-ins. There are presently 35 on our list.
 6. May 4th we will be holding our annual Garage and Bake Sale. Due to the late spring there will not be a plant sale. Anyone interested in plants can obtain them at the Pembroke Horticultural Sale at the PemIce 2 on May 18th.

Ongoing Business:

- **May 11th Workshop**
The Ottawa Valley Ministry Area has arranged for a workshop that will be of key interest to those interested in the Ministries of Evangelism and Witness. The workshop is titled "Who is My Neighbor? Today's Church in Missional Change." The presenter is Rev. Lori Pilatzke and will be held at Grace Lutheran, Eganville. Registration begins at 9:00 am. The cost is \$15.00 per person and includes lunch. Interested persons should contact Susan Dupuis by May 1
- **May 4th is Camp Cleanup date at Lutherlyn Camp and Conference center.** Susan Dupuis will arrange for a crew to go out that day.
- **Easter Breakfast.** Cheryl Sack has arranged for a continental breakfast that morning. Each council member will be contributing. Those who are able will be coming in on Saturday at 1pm to help set up the tables. Cheryl will be in early that Sunday to get the coffee and tea prepared.
- Cheryl ask if the church has off site liability protection. She approached the mall about selling tickets on 2 quilts that the quilters have made. The funds will be a donation to a worthy cause. The mall insists that she provide a certificate of liability. Susan will contact our insurance provider to see if this would be covered under our existing policy.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

The next Church Council Meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2019 at 7pm.

Devotions will be given by: Wilmer Verch

W & M - Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, April 23, 2019**Celebrating God As We Serve Others**

Present: Gayle Seegmiller, Debbie Wegner, Emma Rabishaw, Blaine Sack, Scott Lange, Joan Lehman

Regrets: Pastor Paul, Koit Rull, Carol Boldt

Welcome and Opening Devotions: Gayle welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes: Completed online

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Committee reports:

- **Blaine Sack: Church Musician**
- Holy week and Easter Sunday went well. The choirs participated in many of the services throughout Lent. It took many hours of preparation and volunteering so it was nice to see how much the congregation appreciated their efforts.
- Attendance at the Easter services was up from last year.

- The organ was tuned on April 11th. Blaine sent a email in advance with a list of his concerns.
- The piano will be tuned in the spring.
- Blaine has registered for the July music conference in Whitby. Gayle will follow up with Jean about the invoice. Blaine was asked to be on the board and will accept the invitation. This is a nation wide music committee which strives to see church music alive and well.
- Blaine's contract ended in March. Gayle will follow up about his contract for 2019/2020 since he has not received it yet.
- Blaine will take holidays on the long weekend in May. He will find a replacement.
- A concert to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the organ is being planned. No date has been confirmed at this time. Blaine is looking into having a guest organist for the concert.
- Several donations have been received for the Grand Piano Fund. Scott pointed out that results from the Visioning Report show music is vital to the growth of the congregation. Therefore, the purchase of a Grand Piano is important. Blaine suggested getting a second opinion about a) the best size of piano to purchase and b) where to put the piano for the best acoustics. Blaine agreed to get information and report to the committee at the next meeting. Further information also needs to be gathered about where to move the piano that is currently in the church once a grande piano is purchased.
- Money is available to buy new choir anthem books.
- The waterfront service will be at 11:00 a.m. on June 16, 2019. Scott would like to sing during this service. Blaine will meet with him to discuss plans. If Scott chooses to sing an original song, he will need to meet with Pastor Paul for approval first.

Other Business:**Projector Manual**

- Gayle will contact Diane Hammel to ask if she will make up a manual for the projector set up.

Scott

- Scott found the Good Friday service long and the prayers repetitious. Blaine noted this will change next year. Typically, the choirs are not involved in the waterfront service. This is because *Full Moon Country* performs.
- Scott wondered if choir members should sit together when at church so people sing out more. After some discussion the committee felt when new music is introduced choir members will be asked sit together to help lead the singing.
- The videos are great but they are difficult to see for those sitting in the balcony.

Debbie

- Scheduling worship assistants for Wednesday services is difficult because several people have moved or have requested a break. A note will be placed in the bulletin requesting volunteers for this important ministry.

Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 28, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

My Love Affair of 90 years with Zion Lutheran Church, Pembroke, and My Church Family---Edie Brumm

It started with my birth on May 23, 1929. Isabel Edith Woito became a Child of God with baptism on June 9th, 1929, until today...90 years later.

I went to church on Sundays and Sunday school and confirmation class on Saturdays. This was all in the transformation from German to English. Some classes in early years in German, gradually in English and confirmed in English by Pastor Hamester at age 14.

“Fear not for I am with thee. Be not dismayed for I am thy God! I will strengthen thee. Yea, I will help thee. Yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.”

And this I have found to be true through my whole life.

15 years later I married the Love of My Life, Don Brumm, on May 22, 1954 in Zion Lutheran Church by Pastor Zimmerman. We also had the first dinner occasion in the new parish hall with the ladies of the church and many of my aunts working together. My Aunt Alma was my Godmother and she made the beautiful cake with the Lace Look for a wedding gift. What a treasure! It is on the picture of us cutting the cake. This is the real thing of it all, turkey dinner, dessert and all for just \$2.00 a plate!

Then Don started to build our first home. We had four children, David, Susan, Peter and Nancy. These children were all baptized in Zion and confirmed here as well. Susan was the only one to get married in Zion. She stayed in Pembroke and she gave us the three grandchildren that we have today. They were very involved in the church and belonged to the very vibrant and energetic Youth Group. They had wonderful trips to different areas of Canada. And just when I was getting too old to see a great grandchild born, along came Maddi, the shining star of our lives. God knows how to bring life back into the life of old people.

So, now you know why I call this place “HOME” with our church family for 90 years. “I Love You All!”

God Bless you all and may my beloved church go on and survive this tumultuous time we are in, WITH THE LOVE OF GOD and many loving family and church families in Zion...Thank you all for being here. And to Blaine, thank you for making the walls of Zion swell with pride as you play the organ so beautifully as we praise our God.

Edie Brumm

From Your Treasurer

Zion's Income and Expenses as of May 15, 2019

The weekly amount of \$4,712.00 is needed to cover our budgeted costs. (PAR and regular offerings)

Offerings	\$84,128.19
Missions and Outreach	\$888.00
Other Donations	\$707.50
Solar Income	\$2,871.09
Other Earned Income	\$4,685.51
Total Income to May.15	\$93,280.29
Benevolence Expense	\$6,000.00
Directed Gifts Expense	\$217.00
Committees Expense	\$2,266.09
Utilities Expense	\$10,247.95
Church Insurance	\$13,494.72
Property Maintenance	\$14,395.55
Other Operating Expense	\$16,038.61
Payroll	\$34,937.09
Benefits Expense	\$16,073.08
Expense Total to May.15	\$113,670.09
Net Total for 2019	(-\$20,389.80)
2018 Surplus/Deficit	\$7,000.68
Net Equity to May.15	(-\$13,389.12)

As you can read above, we have a significant deficit. But at the same time, we have significant funds in the Stained Glass repair (\$29,664.47), Organ restoration (\$14,976.74) and other funds. I would ask at this time that you consider a special donation to the general fund instead of the specials. Take a minute and read the annual report to see what our budget requirements are. This is a very busy church and a lot of good things happen as you can read in the annual report. Please help in continuing the work here and in our community.

Pre Authorized Giving (PAR) is another way to give weekly whether you're away or here. Contact the church office at 613-732-8792

Thank you for your continuing support.

Your treasurer,
Gerry Vandersleen

Immigrants

June 20, World Refugee Day

Nisha is a college graduate who worked as a secretary-bookkeeper in Ethiopia before arriving in Canada twelve years ago. Nisha earned a business degree, but she continues to have difficulty finding a job with good conditions and pay to support herself and her mother. Her income as a payday loan clerk covers rent for a room and public transportation. To survive, Nisha and her mother often rely on the local food bank and the generosity of their landlord.

Nisha's painful struggles are far more common than many immigrant women are willing to share. Their stories are often muted, and their marginalized status does not afford them the political agency to be heard. As God's people, we are called to accompany struggling immigrants like Nisha, and to participate in God's redeeming work in Christ. "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." (Luke 4:18-19)

Dear Lord, give us the grace to share your compassionate love with our immigrant neighbours who long to be released from the pain of refecation, marginalization and poverty. Forgive us for our indifference and ignorance. Awaken us anew to your call to love our neighbour (Luke 10:27), to welcome the stranger (Matt. 25:35-45), and to love the foreigner who lives among us (Deut. 31:12). Give us willing hearts to step out of our comfortable lives to be with the struggling immigrants in our communities, especially vulnerable women, to serve them at great cost, as Christ, our Lord and Saviour, demonstrated on the cross. Amen.

Marian Nacpil, Toronto, ON



FLC Logo represents "Many pairs of hands folded in prayer reach out to touch the whole earth."

Notes and News

Summer Worship Schedule

Our summer worship schedule begins on June 2nd. Worship dates and times are as follows:

May 25 - 4:30pm - Last Saturday worship until September

June 5 - 7pm - 1st Wednesday evening Worship Service

Send A Kid to Camp

Did you know that the Social Ministry Committee has a special fund in place to assist our members in times of need. This fund is called our Good Shepherding Fund. If you know of any children who would love to attend camp, but can't afford to, please let us know. We can also assist members with financial emergencies. Your requests are always held in the strictest confidence. Simply speak with Pastor Paul.

Used Postage Stamps Wanted

Used postage stamps to support "On Eagles Wings" who are volunteer Bible Camp teams who fly north from Yellowknife, NWT to the far reaches of the Mackenzie Delta and teach the Inuvialuit people and children about Jesus. Please leave the used stamps in the "Used Postage Stamp" box located at the front entrance of the church.

Summer Office Hours

Summer office hours begin on June 4th. The office will always be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9am until 12 noon. Other times, will be by chance. If you plan on coming into the office at a time other than office hours, please call Jean to verify that she will be there (613-732-8792).

Garage Sale

The garage sale was a great success again this year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support. Thank you for all the donated items. It was short notice and we pulled it off. Thank you for bringing in baked goods. For all the volunteers who came in to sort and price everything-thank you! It is quite the job - not to mention coming in to help on the big day. It is an early start. This year the proceeds will be divided equally between Lutherlyn Camp and Conference Center and Zion's building fund. The bake sale raised \$336.45 and the garage sale \$1,363.35 for a total of: \$1,699.80. What an incredible recycling program! This is one small way of leaving a smaller footprint in the larger world.

Camp News

Camp season is just around the corner! There are three weeks of youth and children's camp to choose from for ages 8-15: July 7-12, 14-19 and 21-26. Camp activities include archery, canoeing, gaga ball, arts & crafts with nightly campfires and swimming on the best beach on the lake! Give your child or grandchild the gift of camp. Teen Camp (13+) runs July 28-August 2. The Leaders in Training Program (15+) offers a leadership experience July 7-26 (no weekends). A flyer with registration form is available at both entrances of the church. A \$50 deposit is required. For more info, visit www.lutherlyncamp.ca. Stay tuned for more info on Lutherlyn's new planning process and AGM. The Golden Retreat (for the mature camper) is also set for September 23-27. Questions? Contact Team Lutherlyn at info@lutherlyncamp.ca or Robbie Tremblay, Camp Lutherlyn's Zion Liaison at robbiehat@gmail.com.

Summer is Coming. Are You Ready?

The summer months seem to be a very busy time for many of us. Vacations are planned, time is spent at the cottage, gathering of family and friends to enjoy the weather, gardening etc. During this time attendance at our services drops due to this busyness. Along with that our offerings also drop. This can put a strain on how we manage paying our regular bills (salaries, utilities etc.) There is a way that you can help and that will also take away one thing off of your list of to do's. We would like you to consider joining the PAR group, Pre-authorized Remittance. By signing up for PAR on the 20th of each month your monthly offerings will be automatically taken from your chequing account and be placed into our bank account. No more envelopes to worry about. You won't have to find your cheque book or the right amount of currency to place in your envelope. You don't have to remember to bring your envelope to the church. And, when you don't attend your offerings are still received. On June 2nd and 5th we will have someone available to answer any questions you may have and we will have the forms available for you to complete. Please bring one of your cheques as this will be needed to register. Working together we can make your life a little simpler and help to keep our congregation strong. Susan Dupuis

Zion Lutheran Women

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

7pm

*(Incorporated with the Wednesday
Evening Worship Service)*

Pastor Paul - Pentecost

*“Lead by the Spirit Through the
Seasons”*

Collection for the Food Bank

Contact: Brenda Dole

June 2019 Volunteers

Altar Guild

June 2 - Arlene Grosskleg
 June 5 - Erica MacKinnon
 June 9 - Carol Boldt
 June 12 -
 June 16 - Ellen Vandersleen
 June 19 - Kathy Godin
 June 23 - Cheryl Sack
 June 26 - Erica MacKinnon
 June 30 - Cheryl Sack

Greeters

June 2 - Debbie Sitkiewicz
 June 5 - Marion Kraft
 June 9 - Diana Wegner
 June 12 - Betty Hubert
 June 16 - Myrna Valliant
 June 19 - Marion Kraft
 June 23 - Denise Schizkoske
 June 26 - Debbie Wegner
 June 30 - Patty Wegner

Worship Assistants

June 2 - Sandra Sell
 June 5 - Joan Roellchen-Pfohl
 June 9 - Debbie Wegner
 June 12 - Erin Dupuis
 June 16 - Susan Dupuis
 June 19 - Nancy Davis
 June 23 - Lorraine MacKenzie
 June 26 - Debbie Wegner
 June 30 - Ellen Vandersleen

Sexton

June 2 - Koit Rull
 June 5 - Oscar Flores
 June 9 - Vince Rabishaw
 June 12 - Michael Lange
 June 16 - Diane Hammel
 June 19 - Don Boldt
 June 23 - Al Kellough
 June 26 - Koit Rull
 June 30 - David Lehman

Ushers

June 2 - Richard Faught & Debbie Wegner
 June 9 - Vince & Emma Rabishaw
 June 16 - Barry & Krista Grosskleg
 June 23 - Doug & Pauline Malliff
 June 30 - Richard Faught & Debbie Wegner

Counters

June 2 - Murray & Sandra Sell, Mervin Bimm
 June 9 & 16 - Kathy Godin, Anne Blackstock,
 Christine Booth
 June 23 & 30 - Gayle & Larry Seegmiller, Des
 Schrie

Projector Operators

June 2 - Krista Grosskleg
 June 5 - Diane Hammel
 June 9 - Rick Gerundin
 June 12 - Diane Hammel
 June 16 - Kerrie Lynne Wilson
 June 19 -
 June 23 - Ellen Vandersleen
 June 26 -
 June 30 - Ellen Vandersleen

Librarians

June 2 - Irene Kennedy
 June 9 - Dwyla Doran
 June 16 - Laoretta Handke
 June 23 - Marlene Schleen
 June 30 - Marlene Schleen





June 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:45am Sunday School 10am Worship Service with Holy Communion	3 9am Quilters 1:30pm Daily Weekday Exercise Class	4	5 9am Full Moon Country Practice 7pm Worship Service with Holy Communion & ZLW Mtg.	6 7pm Music Healing Vets	7	8 Batch Cooking for Shut Ins
9 9:45am Sunday School 10am Confirmation Worship Service with Holy Communion	10 9am Quilters 1:30pm Daily Weekday Exercise Class 7pm Property Cte. Mtg.	11 7pm Council Mtg.	12 9am Full Moon Country Practice 6:30pm Learning Cte. Mtg. 7pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	13 9:30am Clergy Cluster @ Lutherlyn 7pm Music Healing Vets	14	15
16 10am Worship Service with Holy Communion (<i>in Parish Hall</i>)	17 1:30pm Daily Weekday Exercise Class	18 Summer Guiding Light Deadline	19 9am Full Moon Country Practice 7pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	20 10:30am Mid Week Service 2pm Supplies Landing Service 7pm Music Healing Vets	21	22 10:30am AGM for Lutherlyn @ Lutherlyn
23/30 10am Worship Service with Holy Communion	24 1:30pm Daily Weekday Exercise Class	25	26 9am Full Moon Country Practice 7pm Worship Service with Holy Communion	27 7pm Music Healing Vets	28	29