

St Andrew's Lutheran Church Council Meeting
December 19, 2019, 6:20 pm

*St. Andrew's is recognized as a Christian community, celebrating God's love through serving others,
and working for peace and justice.*

Attendance: ~~Amanda Ahrens~~, Al Jergens, Steve Loucks, Kris Parsons, Lori Paulson, Dave Putz, Solveig Rice, ~~Gene Tackle~~, Alice Thompson, Pastor Jeff Alvestad

Call to order: 6:20 pm by Kris Parsons

Devotions: Alice

Prayers: by Council

Consent agenda (sent out ahead of time, approved in one vote) – Approved.

Approval/revision of agenda

Approval of previous minutes

Approval of Treasurer's report – Dave. Budget summary – have more money than anticipated for this time of year. All benevolence (local and ELCA) are fully paid for 2019. Approved.

Pastor's Report – Synod assembly is May 1-3, 2020.

Youth Director's report – Reviewed youth report. Attendance for Wednesday activities is stable/growing.

Committee updates

- EMF – received and deposited endowment
- Social Concerns – determining who/what will receive benevolence for 2020
- Stewardship & Finance – preparing 2020 budget
- Outreach – no update
- Worship & Arts – reviewed budget and preparing for Christmas services. Decorations will be taken down on January 11, 2020.
- Property – work on facility updates is continuing
- Pine Ridge/Tanzania – Tanzania working on watershed project and may need to design system to collect rain water. Pine Ridge has a food truck (donated) that is being used for fund raisers, donations and distribution.
- Personnel – outlining the review process.

Old business

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New Business:

- Documents needing council approval
 - St Andrew's Saving Suds Ministry Finances – approved
 - Auto (automatic) payment vouchers – approved
 - Property Committee to move \$3,875 from Budget line Building Improvements to Restricted Line Renovation/Facility Improvements – approved

- Property Committee to move \$3,358.71 from Budget line Restricted line Gas Line Replacement to Restricted Line Renovation/Facility Improvements – approved
- 2020 Budget – 2020 contract for Pastor Jeff has been sent to Synod for review. Waiting for information from Personnel Committee to finalize the budget. Budget preparation has been useful to determine financial readiness for call for new minister.
- 2020 Annual Meeting – January 26. Will need to approve changes to church constitution.
- 2020 Council members – 4 members (Solveig, Alice, Amanda, Gene) terms end this year. Nominating committee/council are gathering names for new council members.

Closing Prayer: Dave

Meeting adjourned: 7:50 pm

Jan devotions: Steve