

St Andrew's Lutheran Church Council

October 15, 2020, 6:30 pm

Agenda

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

Attendance: David Putz, Laurie Hoifeldt, Al Jergens, Janeen Christy, Steve Loucks, Alice Thompson, Jeff Alvestad, Lori Paulson, Janet Dixon

Call to order: 6:30 pm by Laurie H

Devotions: Laurie H

Prayers: Pastor Jeff

Committee reports:

Consent agenda (sent out ahead of time, approved in one vote) Motions to approve and passed.

Approval/revision of agenda

Approval of previous minutes

Task Force Recommendations from 9/24 – Motion was made to accept the recommendations and approved via email 10/13/20

- Church closed through October
- Confirmation will be held in Pastor's Jeff office, properly masked and socially distant
- Guidelines have been established for groups to meet in the church building
- Task Force Recommendations from 10/15 – Motion was made to accept the following recommendations and approved
 - Online services only through November
 - Heather will be asked to respond to requests for building use, following the established guidelines. Scheduling must allow for Gary to clean between times a specific area is used. Maximum number in the building is 10 at this time.

Treasurer's report – August reports have been emailed. Expenses are lower than expected and revenue is a little higher than expected. Dave is working with the accountant on timeliness concerns. Dave also provided information from the Synod on salary and compensation for a new pastor.

Pastor's Report – A motion was made for the Financial committee to investigate how to roll over vacation time into January 2021 for Pastor Jeff and was approved. Hope Ames is looking for service and/or Sunday School space. Pastor Jeff suggests that St Andrews pursue developing this relationship, given that St Andrews is open. Council will pursue this.

Youth Director's report – NA

Committee updates (send via email if we run out of time)

- EMF – able to shift memorials to Tech budget line
- Stewardship & Finance – October is Stewardship month (faithful, hopeful, loving). Budget requests sent to committee chairs by end of September. (repeating this from September meeting).
- Personnel – Staff reviews will be conducted prior to the 11/5 audit committee meeting.
- Property – Boiler work is complete and we are reviewing final billing. The tree in the front yard is to be removed by 10/16.
- Social Concerns – Dave P is waiting their decision to cut and send checks
- Education/Adult Forum – Letter to Bishops will be mailed shortly. Alice has an Adult Education program suggestion.

- Outreach – Janet will pursue restarting the monthly newsletter
- Worship & Arts –the Tech budget line was placed under Worship & Arts line.
- Pine Ridge/Tanzania – truck of Pine Ridge was loaded today, October 15 for delivery
- Fellowship – ongoing support for MGMC
- Audit –audit is scheduled for Nov 5, 2020

Old business:

- Livestream – Equipment is ordered
- Emergency Response Plan – development is in progress

New Business:

- Review council members and begin to identify replacements – Lori P, Alice T, Janet D terms end this year. Janet D has agreed to continue for another term.
- Hope Ames will use parking lot for a trunk or treat event on October 31, 12:30-5:00 (2-4 actual event). Motion was made to approve this event and the motion was approved.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Jeff

Meeting adjourned: 8:00 pm

November devotions: Steve L

Submitted by Lori Paulson, Secretary

Approved 11/19/20