

## BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

**MINUTES from:** Monday, September 17, 2018 (prepared by Roger Martin)

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:** P = Present A = Absent

Paul Baribeau - P

Rachel Engel – P

Wendy Markgren – P

Julie Bever - P

Chick Feather – P

Jennifer Nelson – P

Beth Brown – P

Michael Husak – P

Ed Skaw - P

Mike Dierks – P

Roger Martin – P

DeAnna Westphal – P

Dave Wilson – P

**STAFF MEMBERS:** Pastor Grant – P Pastor Luci –P Dawn Paul – P

### PREPARATION:

*Devotions* – Dave Wilson

*Sharing Joys & Concerns*

*Open Forum* – NA

### INFORMATION/ACTION:

**New Council Member:** Ed Skaw was introduced at the meeting and he will be filling the council seat recently vacated by Lucas Amundsen. His term will be from now thru 2020.

**Council Retreat is SAT, NOVEMBER 17 (8:30a to 3:30p):** Pastor Grant is continuing his planning for this council retreat where members will convene for a day to discuss/plan future visioning for Bethany. He will be selecting an offsite location for the meeting. In addition to attending this meeting each council member is asked to meet with Pastor Luci for 45-60 minutes prior to this meeting in order to share our personal input re: Bethany today and tomorrow. Pastor Luci will follow up with council members to arrange a time.

**Rally Sunday Response:** General consensus of council members in attendance on RALLY SUNDAY was that displays were well done but question the value of the booths. Council members are asked to reflect on better concepts for 2019 to communicate committee works.

**Confirmand Meal:** Council members available on SUN OCT 21 will serve an afternoon meal to the new confirmation class. This takes place after the second service. Budget is available to pay for the meal and the 9<sup>th</sup> graders can help with the project. Angie will follow up with planning.

**Confirmand Mentor Program:** Council members were asked if they would be willing to act as a mentor for a confirmand. A sign-up sheet was passed for those willing to participate on the SUN OCT 28 Confirmation Service. Pastor Luci will follow up with those who signed up.

**Lasting Impact – Chapter 6 discussion:** Council members continued with its monthly discussion re: the next chapter in the assigned book.

**Green Space Beautification Project:** DeAnna Westphal updated council on the status of this project. A committee has been initiated to help define and develop plans for the project which is designed to beautify the empty lot to the NE of the church building. A work team is being structured to provide labor and plants. Listening sessions are planned in the future @ church to share plans. Bids would be secured for non-volunteer activities. It is desired that the project will become an on-going church community project vs. a one person maintenance effort.

**Committee Assignments:** Each council member serves on a committee (except for Exec. Staff Committee members). Council discussed current assignments and potential future changes. Made the following changes to current committee assignments:

Green Team: Paul Baribeau replacing Jennifer Nelson  
Invitation & Welcome: Ed Skaw replacing Wendy Markgren  
Property: Wendy Markgren replacing Lucas Amundsen

**Stewardship Campaign:** “The Joy of Giving” is the theme for the 2019 Stewardship Campaign currently in the planning stages. Any council member that wants to participate in a video for this effort can film themselves or contact Pastor Grant.

**Financial Report:** Motion to approve (JN/JB): APPROVED

**Adjourned @ 7:00 pm**

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

**Executive Council Meeting:** Monday 10/8/18 @ 5:30p

**Council Meeting:** Monday 10/15/18 @ 5:30p

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

**October Devotions:** Mike Husak

**October Collection/Lockup:** Beth Brown (8:00am) / Jennifer Nelson (10:00am)

**November Devotions:** Ed Skaw (replacing Lucas Amundsen)

**November Collection/Lockup:** Chick Feather (8:00am) / Michael Husak (10:00am)