

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from: Monday, October 15, 2018 (prepared by Roger Martin)

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

Paul Baribeau - P

Rachel Engel – A

Wendy Markgren – P

Julie Bever - P

Chick Feather – P

Jennifer Nelson – P

Beth Brown – A

Michael Husak – P

Ed Skaw - P

Mike Diercks – P

Roger Martin – P

DeAnna Westphal – A

Dave Wilson – P

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

PREPARATION:

Devotions – Mike Husack

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Open Forum – NA

INFORMATION/ACTION:

Meeting note: Tonight's meeting was run by Vice President Chick Feather in President Beth Brown's absence.

Council Retreat is SAT, NOVEMBER 17 (8:30a to 3:30p): PG reviewed plans for the upcoming Council Retreat. We will meet at the Gathering Place Resort in Birchwood. Those who wish to carpool should meet at Bethany at 8:30 am with arrival planned at the resort by 9 am. 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.

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. A sign up sheet was passed for those who can serve and/or make bars.

Lasting Impact – Chapter 7 discussion: Council members continued with its monthly discussion re: the final chapter in the assigned book.

Stewardship Drive: Sunday, October 21 kicks off the 2019 "Joy of Giving" Stewardship Drive. Members at services that day will be provided an opportunity to drop pledge envelopes off during worship services. A reception afterwards will be hosted by the Stewardship Committee.

Green Space Beautification Project: DeAnna Westphal shared an update via email. Committee continues to meet to develop plans. She encouraged council members to walk the space. The committee is brainstorming a vision for the space and they would like the space to be "a multigenerational extension of God's active love in the outdoors". The group wants to leave as much green space as possible and create inviting, meditative focal points near the edges of the space. A pergola structure could be used as an altar and would also feature a large cedar cross.

Committee Assignments: A change was made in committee assignments made at the SEPT meeting. Paul will serve on the Welcome and Invitation Committee and Ed will serve on the Green Team. The change was made to better fit Paul's work schedule.

Committee Budgets: Council reps are to make sure their committees have budget plans submitted by 10/31/18. Dawn has sent information to committee chairs.

Nominating Committee: Roger will be working with the 5 people nominated at the annual meeting to handle recruiting/nominating new council members. Bun Hanson, Craig Antonson, Carol Hakala, Jim Kusilek and John Osterloh comprise the committee for 2019. Beth, Roger, Wendy, Rachel, Julie and DeAnna are up for renewal or replacement. Decisions from those council members should be made prior to the NOV council meeting.

Saturday Worship Time: A congregation member has suggested a change of time for the SAT worship service from a 5:30 pm start to 5:00 pm due to the earlier darkness of winter. The Worship Committee has elected to do a survey of SAT attendees with the majority ruling.

Adjourned @ 6:45 pm

NEXT MEETINGS:

Executive Council Meeting: Monday 11/12/18 @ 5:30p

Council Meeting: Monday 11/19/18 @ 5:30p

ASSIGNMENTS:

November Devotions: Ed Skaw (replacing Lucas Amundsen)

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

December Devotions: Mike Diercks

December Collection/Lockup: Wendy Markgren (8:00 am) / Rachel Engel (10:00 am)