



Meeting Minutes

Church Council of First Evangelical Lutheran Church

May 7, 2017

Members Present: Joe Landgreen, Gayle Langer, Duane Olson Pastor Mary Kaye, Don Hansen, Sharna Braucks, **Members Absent:** Riley Linngren, Rose Anderson

A. Opening Prayer- Don

B. Mission Statement- The mission of FELC is to worship God as an intergenerational community, learning Gods Word, and building lasting relationships as we grow in God's love and grace.

C. Strategic Planning Session -Don will give an summary to congregation on May 14 regarding the Council's 3 day strategic planning sessions and a handout explaining the process and results. On behalf of the the Council will ask for input and volunteers to assist with the 3 events planned for this year which include the Summer Picnic/Ice Cream Social, Harvest Festival, Lefsa making.

D. President's Report- - PMK, Don Hansen, Rose Anderson and Michelle Lynch will be attending Synod Assembly the 19th and 20th.. Annual meeting date set for June 25th. A special Council meeting to prepare the 2018 budget was set for May 21 at 11:30.

E. Pastor Report-PMK asked City of Taylors Falls about a sign for First Lutheran Church at the corner of Highways 37 and 20. Joe will followup and get a bid for the sign and will get in touch with Caroline for logo. The State of MN has expressed an interest in making a donation for the sign. PMK requested fathers day Sunday as a vacation day and has used her 4 Sundays vacation for 2017. PMK requested the use of one of her 4 Sundays from 2018 for fathers day Sunday. Council concensus approved the vacation day substitution. Communion practice: PMK will provide education sessions for children, with parental consent and involvement, in order for children to receive communion.

F. Property Committee- Spring Cleanup, Thanks to all that helped. Joe and Wendy Szczepanski volunteered to mow the church yard all summer.

G. Finance Report- Joe All bills are current and up to date.

H. Other Business- Council member candidates. Don to call Riley/Duane about continuing with Council. Gayle will contact other members of the nominating committee for new council member candidates.

Respectfully Submitted, Don Hansen
FELC Council President