

Council Meeting Minutes

Church Council of First Evangelical Lutheran Church

March 10, 2024, 10:15am

Next meeting April 14, 2024



“Proclaim the Gospel and Serve our neighbors.”

Members Present: Rose Anderson, Kathy Carlsted, Miriam Flysjo via Zoom, Becky Hulden, Craig Loen, Pastor Dwight Rudquist

Council president Becky called the meeting to order at 10:23

Craig opened the meeting with Devotions. Rose offered to share Devotions next month.

Becky, Rose and Kathy shared stories of God’s love in our lives.

Pastor Dwight reported on the Spiritual Gifts workshop. It was good to hear the message again about how to tap into spiritual gifts.

Pastor Dwight met with the Coach with the Season of Renewal Cohort and will lead our group through the first steps on March 13. The evaluation form the congregation has completed will be discussed at the May 4th meeting.

Craig gave the Treasurer’s Report. We are at 66.7% of our fiscal year. Our Income is at 69% and Expenses are at 66% so we are within our budget. We spent money on the bathroom remodeling and piano tuning so there is less money in those accounts.

Kathy/Rose motioned to accept the Treasurer’s Report. Motion passed.

Pastor Dwight/Kathy made a motion to approve up to \$1000 (minus the Lenten offering) to be split between Feed My Starving Children and the Backpack program. The money will come out to the Maple syrup fund. Motion passed.

The Property Committee will continue to work on updating the bathrooms. The money is already approved so they can proceed with updating the upstairs bathroom. The men’s room off the Fellowship hall will also be updated. The ceiling in the elevator is rusty and needs a coat of paint. Pastor Dwight will obtain some chair samples so people can try out the different ones and come to a consensus on which style to purchase.

Pastor Dwight has attended two meetings for the Season of Renewal Cohort. Recruitment for the Season of Renewal team will be March 13, after choir. This meeting will set the ground rules and expectations for the group as well as provide the list of the future meeting dates.

Becky will be arranging one person per month to share a Mission Moment. Don Hansen will speak on March 17 about the Maple Syrup program.

Sunday School was postponed to March 17 due to Miriam's exposure to Covid. The families and children are excited about Sunday school. Parents/Grandparents are encouraged to attend for the first few Sundays so the children feel comfortable. Khrissy has offered to assist.

We won't have an extended Easter Vigil this year, but will consider it for next year. Maundy Thursday service will be at 6:30. The Methodists will join us for Good Friday service at 6:30.

There will be a Palm Sunday Brunch after the service. Craig and Janna will provide an egg bake. Angie will make a sign up sheet for muffins and fruit.

Kathy/Craig/Rose made a motion to adjourn at 11:04. Motion passed

Faithfully submitted,

Miriam Flysjo, council secretary