



May 21, 2019 Council Meeting St. Paul Lutheran Church

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

X	Pastor Grant Applehans	X	Chris Clark, Member at Large
X	Tom Miller, President	X	Dale Brainard, Member at Large
X	Tyler Kroschel, Vice President	X	Julie Hyrkas, Member at Large
X	Katie Fetterly, Treasurer	X	Arlie Post, Member at Large
X	Julie Coozenoy, Secretary	X	Jon Quale, Member at Large
No Guests			

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Tom Miller and Katie Fetterly opened meeting with devotions.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A motion was made by Jon Quale, seconded by Katie Fetterly, to approve the consent agenda and April Meeting Minutes. Unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of APRIL 30, 2019	ACTUAL
General Fund Offering	\$19,564.77
Total Revenue*	\$27,849.28
Total Expenses (before mortgage)	\$22,638.07
Net Income (after mortgage payment)	
Mortgage Balance (04/07/2019)	\$439,896.75
Edward Jones Balance (03/29/2019)	\$36,840.19

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- The usage of the card reader usage went well. Guidelines coming shortly.
- Guidelines for the Good Neighbor Fund were reminded.

PASTOR'S REPORT

Greetings in the LORD! This is a summary of my activity during the April/May period. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like more information.

Worship: we started this period with the Alleluias of Easter and ended with the baptism of Emmett James Fetterly and Welcoming the Martin family as official members of our congregation. In between we celebrated Mother's Day with special selected texts and lyrics, and confirmation with 10 of our youth. Preaching was day specific but focused on unpacking the resurrection for us and our world(s). We are now moving into summer and will be alternating traditional indoor and contemporary outdoor services. The band has come into their own and is humming along. They are planning on playing at 2-3 of the outdoor services with guest musicians filling in the rest. This period we added another vocalist and continue to explore new music. We are always looking for folks to make a joyful noise with us, if you or anyone you know is interested in joining us for a Sunday, or a season, as part of the band or for special music, please join us with the talents God has given you! Choir wrapped up for the season on the 19th. It was a joy to work with them, and share Christ's love through that medium. First communion was celebrated on Maundy Thursday with 9 children celebrating this milestone. Good Friday was a Tenebrae service with the Choir and pictures focusing on the vulnerability of the incarnation for God and us and focusing on a picture from the burned-out Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. The "Crosswalk" was well received and the "burial cloth" from the last station, where we wrote places Jesus is needed, now adorns the cross in the right window box.

Education is wrapping up for the season. Wednesday adult classes continue to follow the arc of the confirmation curriculum and other topics of interest. The Sunday evening group is taking a break for summer. Lenten Mentor Groups concluded with the "Holy Salvation (Batman) event and confirmation concluded with a large group game night.

Service to our neighbors was carried out this period through each of our members in their individual lives and through the food truck.

Social fellowship events were also held during this time. Keenagers met at the Village Inn on free pie Wednesday. The Softball league that we joined folded and so we are now looking to schedule a couple pick-up games for this summer. Game Night took place May 19th. New games were learned and a good time was had by all!

Congregational Care continued with a few pastoral visits in homes, the hospital, over the phone, at assisted living and in nursing homes. The visitation team continues to do their work well. During this time all direct requests for pastoral care were embraced, encouraged, and acted upon.

On the **administration front**, our new Office Administrator, Melissa Nelson, is working out tremendously! She is moving quickly through her training and is already a big help on many fronts. Joanna Kroschel and I have been meeting to lay out a calendar for next year. Other projects that have sat on the back burner while I walked through lent/holy week/confirmation are now coming to life and should be bearing fruit by next Council meeting.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Grant

COMMITTEE REPORTS (as submitted by Team Leads)

All God's Children Preschool

- No Report

Building & Grounds

- No Report

Children's & Youth Report

- We had our Mother's Day plant sale. I believe we made about \$1200 to put towards the youth ministry expenses. Katie has the exact amounts. We had good helpers, young and older.
- Katie and a small group of parents picked out the curriculum for Sunday School next year. We will be doing a rotational curriculum. They have a tentative schedule for the next year.
- Grant and I met to start laying out a schedule for all ages and activities for next year.
- Splash did not do a Mystery Dinner. We only had a couple kids that could commit to both days. We started creating some VBS decorations instead.
- VBS registrations are available. A few have come back in already. The donation request board is up. I'm still looking for adults that can commit to the whole week to run a station. I have a Thrivent Action Fund to help pay for decoration supplies. We could use a few more people who have Thrivent accounts to apply for other Actions to put towards the week. I will be having another meeting soon to discuss more about VBS planning.
- The mission trip group still needs one more adult chaperone. The parents and kids met to fill out the paperwork. Most of the kids have paid all of what they owe.
- Confirmation went well. Grant will be contacting Gustavus soon, if not already done, to reserve space for the fall retreat.

Communications

- No Report

Counters

- No Report

Global Missions

- No Report

Loaves & Fishes

- No Report

Martha's Servers

- No Report

Outreach

- No Report

Prayer

- Pastor Grant opened the meeting with a prayer. Prayer Team assignments were made for June services. Noted that Jan and Arne Ranta resigned from the Prayer Team. Read and discussed a Living Lutheran article entitled "The Assembly Prays" about the prayers used in worship. Ended the meeting with prayers of intercession, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

SPPRT

- No Report

Visitation

- No Report

OLD BUSINESS

- Roof: The contractor and our insurance adjuster are working together for a dollar amount agreed on by all parties. Shingles need to be picked out.
 - **Chris made a motion to allow Dave Haselbauer to chose the shingles. Dale Brainard seconded the motion and unanimously approved.**
- Parking lot will be resealed within the next couple of weeks.
- Frontier Bill has been reduced. The amount now owing is what it would have been if we had not renewed, received the lower rate and then cancelled.
 - **Tom Miller made a motion to approve the payment plan proposed by Frontier. Arlie Post seconded the motion and unanimously approved.**
- Ministry Trip Chaperones: This year's mission trip will proceed with three chaperones. Due to the short distance for travel, three chaperones will be acceptable for this year.
- Ministry Team Liaisons: Council members need to contact the ministry team lead they are liaison to.
- Fundraising: Promised fundraising of \$7500. We still need to raise approximately \$4,800 for
 - Council is considering a pumpkin patch, with selling the pumpkins in the fall. We will advertise and see if anyone is interested in growing the pumpkins.

NEW BUSINESS:

- All God's Children Preschool: \$8,000 in the black for this year.
 - They will present their 2019-20 budget at the June meeting
- Pastor Grant presented his resignation letter to the council, effective June 23, 2019
 - **Tyler Kroschel made a motion to accept the letter of resignation. Jon Quale seconded the motion. Motion carried, with one opposed vote.**
- Executive Council put together a draft of letter to send out to the congregation via Constant Contact and through the mail.
 - **Jon Quale made a motion to accept the proposed letter, with changes. Katie Fetterly seconded the motion and unanimously approved.**
- Synod Assembly Report: Fantastic experience for both Kathie Marabella and Katie Fetterly.

- Lucas Byl: Lucas is attending seminary next year. He is looking for ways St. Paul Lutheran can support him in his endeavor to become a pastor, both monetarily and spiritually.
- Outdoor Worship: In order to have outdoor worship services we are in need of people to help set-up before the service and takedown after the service.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 18

Devotions: Dale Brainard

- **A motion was made by Katie Fetterly to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Arlie Post. Unanimously approved.**

Submitted by:

Julie Cozennoy

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St. Paul Lutheran Council Secretary

Summary of Motions Made at May Church Council Meeting

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The following motions were made via email between the April and May Council Meeting:

- **Pastor Grant made a motion the following students have received weekly instruction in the Old and New Testaments of the Bible as well as Martin Luther's Small Catechism. They have served within the church and community and taken notes on sermons within the church. I have met with each to discuss an essay that they have written about their faith in our God. Each having accomplished these things, I recommend each for confirmation in our faith, and adult status within our church. (Mark Anthony Caruso, Katie Jo Dubois, Wyatt Richard Games, Blake Thomas Johnson, Devin Ryan Johnson, Mary Alison Landherr, Gretchen Lilly Ohr, Ryan Olson, Noah George Everet Reed, Sierra Rose Walesheck). Motion Seconded by Julie Cozennoy and unanimously approved.**