



June 18, 2019 Council Meeting St. Paul Lutheran Church

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

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| X | Pastor Grant Applehans | X | Chris Clark, Member at Large |
| | 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 Tyler Kroschel and Dale Brainard opened meeting with devotions.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A motion was made by Arlie Post, seconded by Jon Quale, to approve the consent agenda. Unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

| As of May 31, 2019 | ACTUAL |
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| General Fund Offering | \$24,623.50 |
| Total Revenue | \$35,218.30 |
| Total Expenses (before mortgage) | \$19,468.55 |
| Net Income (after mortgage payment)* | \$10,421.75 |
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| Mortgage Balance | \$435,943.43 |
| Edward Jones Balance | \$36,184.60 |
| *Yearly gifts account for the majority of this over | |

FINANCIAL REPORT

- No Finance team meeting
- We need to review our insurance policies in July. Policies expire in August, 2019.

PASTOR'S REPORT

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

Worship: We started this period remembering those who bear the costs of war, and ended with a celebration of fatherhood and our Heavenly Father who loves us in with and through our faults and foibles. In between we blessed graduates and bikes, and celebrated the birth day of the Church at Pentecost. Preaching themes included God who loves - in, beyond and through - His "holiness box", Love that goes above and beyond, embracing God's call to transformation and adventure beyond the horizon, and the gentle care of our Heavenly Father who comes to us as creator, redeemer and sustainer. We are now firmly in summer. Both indoor and outdoor services are going well. This month at council we will need to discuss current schedules and plans for single or dual services in the fall. Next Sunday is my last as pastor of this congregation. We will be worshipping with music of all kinds, including tunes I've written, songs from around the world, music from a pick-up choir, and songs that speak to God's ongoing mission and final victory.

Education: is wrapping up for the season. Wednesday adult classes have been spending time with the book of Revelation – reading it word for word while exploring larger themes and interpretation in our modern world. We have been having a lot of fun and will conclude tomorrow. Joanna continues with fantastic work in education coordination. Pieces are coming together for VBS, and I am excited for this first run at volunteer led VBS – it won't likely be as polished, this year, but has great potential to grow as time goes on and experience mounts.

Service: to our neighbors was carried out this period through each of our members in their individual lives, through reinitiating our grocery vouchers, updating our community resources book and through the food truck. We hope to have a flyer ready by next food truck to advertise information in the Community Resources Book.

Social Fellowship events were also held during this time. Keenagers met at the Village Inn on free pie Wednesday. A congregation wide party was held at Zella's house. Though timing didn't work out while I was here, I would strongly encourage a harvest party if someone has fruit trees and would be OK with the congregation coming and helping process the fruit.

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.

Administration front, our Office Administrator, Melissa Nelson, continues to do well. She was responsible for updating the Community Resources Book, a task she did quite quickly and well. She should be a good resource for the congregation through the next period of transitions. I am cleaning out my office and saying goodbyes. I am sad to be going, but wish for you the very best as you open this new chapter.

It has been an honor to serve with you in the vineyard of our Lord!

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

- VBS is coming along, looking for more volunteers.
- Sunday School is being planned, excited for the new fall curriculum

Communications

- No Report

Counters

- No Report

Global Missions

- No Report

Loaves & Fishes

- No Report

Martha's Servers

- No Report

Outreach

- No Report

Prayer

- Kathie opened the meeting with a devotion from Luther Seminary's God Pause. Prayer Team assignments were made for July services. Briefly discussed the process for outdoor services. Our topic was the Prayer of St. Francis. We listened to it in song and then read and discussed it. Ended the meeting with prayers of intercession, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

SPPRT

- No Report

Visitation

- No Report

OLD BUSINESS

- Roof: The insurance company and contractor are trying to come to terms on the estimate. The insurance company will not pay for the skylight and SPLC may need to pay for the repairs on the skylight.
- The parking lot cracks have been fixed. Concern over the quality of the work that was performed. Tyler will review the bid and contact the company.
- Ministry Team Liaisons: Please turn in all contact information.
- Fundraisers: Buy a space for a garage sale. Fall flower sale in conjunctions with something else (pies?). Men's bake-off. Bake Sale (November?)
- All God's Children Preschool: We need to find volunteers for AGCP board.
- Summer Worship: Still looking for a couple musicians for outdoor services. Pulpit supply is covered through Mid-August.
- Fall Worship: Discussion was held around the decision to continue with one service or go back to two services. Everyone agrees the Education time needs to be at a separate time than worship service(s). No matter what is decided for the fall, we can adapt as attendance/needs change.
 - **A Motion was made Jon Quale to continue with one service in the fall with worship from 9:00 to 10:00 and Education hour/Sunday School immediately following. Chris Clark seconded. Motion unanimously approved.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- Interim Pastor: The Executive Council will interview a candidate for interim pastor at St. Paul Lutheran.
- Good Bye to Pastor Grant. We thanked Pastor Grant for his love of our church, dedication to teaching us God's word and helping us Share Christ's Love with Joy! Good luck to Pastor Grant in his future endeavors.

Date & Time: Tuesday, July 16 at 5:00 pm – Update from Susan Nienaber
Immediately following Susan's presentation, we will go into the regular scheduled meeting

Devotions: Chris Clark

- **A motion was made by Pastor Grant 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 June Church Council Meeting

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

- Tom Miller made a motion he be authorized to sign and return the Settlement Letter from Fontier. Tyler Kroschel seconded the motion and unanimously approved.