

July 16, 2019 Council Meeting St. Paul Lutheran Church

| COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE | | | | |
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| Х | Tom Miller, President | X | Chris Clark, Member at Large | |
| Χ | Tyler Kroschel, Vice President | X | Dale Brainard, Member at Large | |
| Χ | Katie Fetterly, Treasurer | X | Julie Hyrkas, Member at Large | |
| Х | Julie Coozennoy, Secretary | Х | Arlie Post, Member at Large | |
| | | | Jon Quale, Member at Large | |
| Х | Pastor Sarah Friesen-Carper | · | | |

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Tom Miller and Chris Clark opened meeting with devotions.

CONSENT AGENDA

 A motion was made by Katie Fetterly, seconded by Julie Coozennoy, to approve the consent agenda, committee & financial report. Unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

| As of June 30, 2019 | ACTUAL |
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| General Fund Offering | \$12,632.19 |
| Total Revenue | \$17,996.66 |
| Total Expenses (before mortgage) | \$15,959.92 |
| Net Income (after mortgage payment) | \$ 662.06 |
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| Mortgage Balance | \$431,977.75 |
| Edward Jones Balance | \$37,210.94 |

COMMITTEE REPORTS (as submitted by Team Leads)

All God's Children Preschool

- We worked on the budget, talked about hours, pay, and days for Julie and Kathy.
- Days opened Monday-Friday, with M.W.F. being the Kindergarten Readiness program and T.Th. being the Preschool Enrichment program. Currently we have 10 kids in M.W.F., and 7 kids in the T.Th., program.
- Heartland bus will be providing services for children that need rides to school
- Worked on Job descriptions and signed new job applicants with Julie Hyrkas now being the Director and Kathy DiMeglio being the Lead Teacher.
- Posted a position with Indeed for a Teacher Aide.

AGC Needs from Council:

- Budget has been done and giving to Katie, the treasurer, and will need approval from Council.
- Fundraiser with Usborne Books/Cards in September 12-13, 2019. This will be set up by the preschool rooms during preschool class time. We would like to also offer the box of cards to sell to the congregation (\$30.00 for 30 cards).
- Julie Hyrkas needs keys to unlock the outside door and the preschool office and classrooms
- Change Kathy off of the preschool gmail and put Julie on since Kathy will no longer be checking emails.
- Julie would like access to the Facebook face and to keep that updated and adding things to it.
- Both Kathy and Julie need to get their CPR/First Aid certificate renewed and was hoping to be able to offer the
 class to other members of the congregation. Julie's sons Kenny and Anthony will be offering the class since they
 are a registered instructor.

Building & Grounds

No Report

Children's & Youth Report

- The Mission Trip to Benton Harbor, Michigan was very successful. 14 youth and 3 adults attended. Some of the projects they did included landscaping, mowing, cutting brush, and painting for Habitat for Humanity, garbage pick-up and weeding in parks, and working for Emma's youth garden by weeding, putting up a shade screen, and cleaning and rearranging a garden shed. The youth were so moved by the organizations they were working with and the poverty in the area that they voted to forgo their planned fun activity in Chicago and instead donated the funds they would have used to those organizations. They donated a total of \$625 to three different programs in Benton Harbor. In talking with a couple of the guides, they are already thinking about doing another mission trip, possibly in northern MN next time.
- Vacation Bible School registrations have come in. We have around 73 registered in total. 36 are preschool or elementary aged. 16 are junior helpers and in 5th-8th grade. We could still use a few more adult helpers for the week, but we have enough for one adult at each station right now. Decorations are coming along. Again, we are in need of able-bodied adult helpers for a few projects.
- Communication has gone out about the change in format for Sunday school this fall. We will have an education board meeting in August to further plan the fall programming for Sunday school and other aged groups. We will need to have a point person or two for each age group to plan and run things going forward.
- Sunday School:
 - The new curriculum design for the Sunday School program this year is to take approximately four weeks to dive deep into a specific story from the Bible, rather than a single story every week. We will be using the Spark Bible as the main resource. Each week will have a different activity theme, such as games, art, music, drama, etc. After approximately four weeks of class lessons the group will present a short (10 minutes) lesson to the congregation in worship on the 5th Sunday to reflect what they learned and did—most likely in the place of the Children's Sermon that day.
 - We also plan to be based in the Fellowship Hall area so as to be more visible and accessible for families, as well as invite members without kids who may want to be involved to participate in special roles from week-to-week.
 - Per the calendar of events this year, the rough outline is to do two stories by Christmas and then three by May, in addition to the Christmas program and Easter story.

Communications

No Report

Counters

No Report

Global Missions

No Report

Loaves & Fishes

No Report

Martha's Servers

No Report

Outreach

No Report

Prayer

- Dee opened the meeting with a prayer.
- Prayer Team assignments were made for August services.
- Our discussion topic was "Devotion to Prayer", based on the text Colossians 4:2-4.
- Ended the meeting with prayers of intercession, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

SPPRT

No Report

Visitation

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

- Roof: Repairs on the roof have begun with expected completion by Friday, July 19. Barring any unforeseen complications, SPLC is only responsible for the insurance deductible of \$2,500.
- Parking Lot: Dave Haselbauer is meeting with the contractor who sealed the parking lot this spring. A lot of cracks were not filled, grass coming through the cracks.
- Fundraisers: The 2019 budget was approved with \$7,500 in scheduled fundraising. To achieve this, we will continue with the Scrip fundraiser for the remainder of the year. On November 17 we will hold a Fall Bake Sale. Dave Brainard will be setting up a "free will offering for tools" on an upcoming Sunday.
- Ministry for Fall: Rally Sunday is September 8.
- Interim Pastor: Pastor Sarah attended council meeting this evening to begin learning about our congregation. Her contract will be signed this week.
- Exterior Locks: The Finance Team recommends rekeying of the exterior doors at SPLC and adding a keypad to
 the Office Administrator's door. With this change, new keys will be issued. Additional details on this will be
 coming.
 - A motion was made by Julie Coozennoy to rekey the exterior doors at SPLC and add a keypad to the Office Administrator's office with a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Julie Hyrkas seconded. Unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Consultation Presentation to Congregation: Sunday, July 21. The presentation will be videotaped for future presentations. There will be scheduled times (if needed) for viewing of the presentation at the church
- Pastor Grant Wrap-Up: All final payments have been made to Pastor Grant.
- Local Mission Partners Campaign: Pastor Justin Grimm was our pulpit supply pastor on July 7. In lieu of payment to him, he requested payment be made to a charity he raises money
 - A motion was made by Chris Clark to make the pulpit supply payment to Local Mission Partners
 Campaign for \$150. Arlie Post seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.
- Designated Funds Gift: A gift of \$5,000 was received to be used for technology.
 - A motion was made by Dale Brainard to accept the gift of money designated for technology. Chris Clark seconded he motion. Unanimously approved.
- Parish Nurse: Our insurance policy allows for additional coverage to be purchased for additional parishioners to be listed as parish nurse. Do we want to add others to this list? After discussion, it was decided to not add any additional names.
- Emergency Readiness: AED/CPR Training, Fire Extinguishers and Emergency Kit. It was brought to the council's
 attention we have not had any AED/CPR training in a long time, we need additional fire extinguishers and an
 emergency kit (currently we only have a small/partial kit). We will be submitting requests for Thrivent Action
 Grants to be used for these items.

- All God's Children Preschool:
 - Fundraiser: The preschool is requesting approval of a fall fundraiser with Usborne Books/Cards on September 12-13 in the Preschool and on September 15 in the Narthex.
 - A motion was made by Katie Fetterly to approve AGC's fundraiser request to sell Usborne Books/Cards. Seconded by Tyler Kroschel. Unanimously approved.
 - o Budget: The preschool presented their budget for the 2019-20 school year. Discussion was held around the proposed \$100 amount the preschool budgeted for office supplies to be paid to SPL. Should the preschool be responsible for more than \$100 in office supplies? It was decided to keep the \$100 amount.
 - A motion was made by Dale Brainard to approve All God's Children Preschool budget as proposed. Seconded by Tyler Kroschel. Approved by 5, 2 abstained. Motion carried by majority in attendance.
- The Church Council would like to compliment this year's youth ministry group on their outstanding showing of generosity towards others. They are the perfect example of Sharing Christ's Love with Joy. Thank you.
- A motion was made by Julie Coozennoy to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Katie Fetterly. Unanimously approved.

Date & Time: Tuesday, August 20 at 6:30 pm

Devotions: Pastor Sarah

Submitted by:

Julie Coozennoy

St. Paul Lutheran Council Secretary

Summary of Motions Made at July Church Council Meeting

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The following motion was made via email between the June and July Council Meeting:

Katie Fetterly made a motion on June 19 to accept the June Council meeting minutes, seconded by Julie Coozennoy. Unanimously approved.