

First Lutheran Church  
Church Council Minutes  
November 3, 2020

**Present:** Dr Bob Ebbesmeyer, Pastor Nord, Bob Morgenson, Sallie Morgenson, Jen Camplain, Roger Wacker, Judy Clark, Dorene Lagerstam, Janis DeWall

**Absent:** Kent Peterson, David Zumdahl, Sue Eckburg

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by Dr Bob Ebbesmeyer. Jen Camplain provided a devotion about Thanksgiving from various books of the Bible.

**Review of October Council Minutes -**

The minutes from the October Council meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Pastor Nord to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Dorene Lagerstam and all were in favor and the motion carried.

**Financial Reports -**

The financial reports were reviewed and it was stated that the roof payments are all finalized now. \$20,000 has also been transferred to a "not too aggressive" Mutual Funds account. Additional information will be provided at the next meeting. Bob Morgenson made a motion to approve the financial reports as submitted. It was seconded by Roger Wacker and all were in favor and the motion carried.

**Pastor's Report -**

Pastor's monthly report of meetings and events for October were reviewed and Pastor also mentioned that there will be a recorded Thanksgiving Service like there are of the Sunday services. Also, Pastor stated that the Music and Worship Committee will be discussing the Christmas Eve service.

**Administrative Assistant Report -**

Jen's monthly report of the administrative duties she performed and what she is currently working on was distributed and briefly discussed. Thank you Jen for bringing our technology up to speed.

## **Committee Reports -**

There have not been any Committee meetings due to Covid. However, it was brought to our attention that there are issues with the women's bathroom downstairs. Dr Bob will discuss this issue further with Kent Peterson.

## **Old Business -**

Technology follow-up - Jen purchased all items previously approved at last month's meeting. She has put in for Microsoft 365 and we are hoping this will be free. She has been experiencing Website issues and has reached out to Eli, our website consultant. However, after numerous attempts made by her and Pastor both, they have not heard back. If he isn't going to respond we may need to look at a different option going forward. Jen also participated in a webinar hosted by the ELCA on [Tithe.ly](#) This is a website platform with an online giving option, church app and member database.

Copier/Printer replacement - We need to get a new copier/printer. Bob Morgenson presented his findings from Advanced Business Machines and the costs associated with either purchasing or leasing the machine. After discussion, Dorene Lagerstam made a motion to proceed with purchasing a new printer up to a limit of \$4,000. Roger Wacker seconded the motion and all were in favor and the motion carried. Bob Morgenson and Jen Camplain will get together to discuss and pursue with the best machine for our needs.

Counters - Jennifer Camplain and Janis DeWall volunteered to count the offering as needed during shutdown. Jen will notify Janis when counting needs to be done.

## **New Business -**

Nominating Committee - Jen Camplain, Tim Wurster and Craig Peterson are currently on the Nominating Committee. They will need to find two members to nominate to replace the 2 council members, Sue Eckburg and Kent Peterson, that will be finishing their 2nd term. Also, they will need to confirm if the following council members want to serve their 2nd term, Roger Wacker, Bob Morgenson, Judy Clark and Dorene Lagerstam. If so, they will be up for re-election at the annual meeting.

Annual Meeting - The 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on January 17th, 2021. Discussion will be held as it gets closer on how this will be handled based on the COVID restrictions in place at this time.

Blood Drive - The Rotary would like to use the church for a blood drive to be held on Friday, April 23, 2021. A motion was made by Roger Wacker to allow this function on the date provided. It was seconded by Bob Morgenson and all were in favor and the motion carried.

**Miscellaneous -**

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 1st as 6:30 p.m. Bob Morgenson volunteered to do the devotions.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dorene Lagerstam and seconded by Pastor Nord. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 and Pastor Nord closed with a prayer.

Respectively submitted,

Janis DeWall  
Council Secretary