

Chisago Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting
March 20, 2018

Meeting called to order by Melissa Rambow at 7:00.

Opening Prayer/Evening Meditation: Devotions by Anna Burch Isaiah 50: 4-9

Members Present: Pastor Steve, Janie Briggs, Anna Burch, Sue Abrahamson, Chris Ruser, Melissa Rambow, Lee Peterson, Dale Bahn, Gloria Peterson

Members Absent: Dave Reed

Check in: Favorite Easter memory/tradition

Teaching Time: Review of first two cottage meetings. A review of the cottage meetings is available in the church office.

Approval of the Agenda: Sue Abrahamson asked to add Moses Baskets to the agenda under Old Business. Chris Ruser asked we discuss the Playground under New Business. Janie Briggs asked we add new night for council meetings under New Business. Sue Abrahamson asked to add Property under Committee Reports. Chris Ruser moved to approve the agenda with additional amendments. Janie Briggs seconded. All in favor. The agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes: Sue Abrahamson moved to approve the February minutes as written. Dale Bahn seconds. All in favor. The minutes stand as written.

Treasurer's Report: We are over budget by 5,000 YTD, but we are ahead of where we were last year.

Pastor's Report:

- a. April 12th is the New Membership meeting.
- b. Feed My Starving Children - Incarnation Lutheran is hosting this event. Pastor Steve reserved CLLC 20 spots for Monday, April 30th from 7-9 PM. It costs \$50 per volunteer to cover the cost of the food which is bagged and donated to Feed My Starving Children. Pastor Steve asked 3M for \$250 to be taken from outreach to help cover this cost. Volunteers are asked to make a \$25 donation to cover the half.

Ministry Site Profile

The Ministry Site Profile has been completed with help from the Transition Team and the Call Committee. This is data that synod uses when looking for prospective candidates to be matched with.

Pastor Steve makes a motion that after six years of service, our pastor may make application for a sabbatical for up to 12 weeks at full salary and a limited financial support (for education) if no policy currently exists. Lee Peterson seconds. A friendly amendment was added to the motion to take out "limited financial support." All in favor. The motion passed as amended.

Chris Ruser moved to accept the Ministry Site Profile as part of the call process. Sue Abrahamson seconds. All in favor. The motion passes. To view a copy of the Ministry Site Profile, please ask for one in the church office.

Contemporary Worship

Council discussed holding the contemporary worship during the summer on Thursday nights and having only one service on Sunday mornings.

Council makes a motion to endorse a Thursday night contemporary outdoor summer service and meal. Council asks 3M to use outreach dollars to fund this with a possibility of continuing the contemporary service in the fall. All council members were in favor of this motion. Motion passes and will go to 3M.

Committee Reports

1. Call Committee: The Call Committee will meet with Joe Lees from the synod to go over Ministry Site Profile. The Call Committee has begun creating questions to ask during interviews.
2. Property: The new furnace and six new radiators were installed in the parsonage. The costs have been covered by insurance. Patching will be occurring on some of the walls that were affected by the heat leaks. This may also be covered by insurance.
After faithful service, Larry Olding is no longer the church custodian. Property has been looking into different way to service the needs for cleaning and maintenance. They will present their ideas to personnel.
3. Personnel: Personnel will be meeting to look into hiring a new financial secretary and custodian.

Old Business

1. Shared Ministry: CLLC is working with other Lutheran churches on a combined worship service which will take place this summer.
2. Moses Basket: The carpet in the garage is getting wet. As social services are not utilizing it like they were, CLLC will donate all remaining items to Pathways.

New Business

1. Noise at the services from the Playground: A concern was raised about the noise at the first service coming from the playground. Council proposes that research is done into how to help with this.
2. Council Meeting - Council is exploring meeting on another night due to scheduling conflicts with council members.

Closing Prayer/Adjournment Lee Peterson motions to adjourn at 9:15. Dale seconds. All in favor. The meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Janie Briggs, Secretary