

Chisago Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting
November 15, 2018

Meeting called to order by Melissa Rambow at 7:33

Members Present: Pastor Taryn, Dave Reed, Melissa Rambow, Anna Burch, Sue Abrahamson, Chris Ruser, Gloria Peterson, Lee Peterson

Members Absent: Dale Bahn, Janie Briggs

Approval of the Agenda: Melissa Rambow proposed that we add "Volunteer Work Day," Property Budget," and "Stumps" to the agenda. Pastor Taryn proposed adding "Confirmation and Carrying Hands Committee," and "Weebly vs. WordPress" to the agenda. Lee Peterson moved to approve the agenda as amended. Sue Abrahamson seconded. All in favor. The agenda was approved as amended.

Approval of Minutes: Sue Abrahamson moved to approve the October minutes. Chris Ruser seconded. The October minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: We are \$700 ahead this month. We are \$29,874 behind for the year. Strong October, no major expense surprises.

Pastor's Report:

- Pastoral Activities: 4 pastoral visits, 2 home visits, 2 church activities, 14 church/synod meetings, 1 funeral, 4 phone visits, 6 teaching, 1 wedding, and 4 assisted living visits.
- Other Notes:
 - Website update
 - MidChiLu Update – Fat Tuesday Pancake Super on 3/5/19
 - Adult Forum format change
 - Bishop's Conference Oct 21-23
 - Family bereavement: November 23-25
- *Mission Moment:* Trick or Treating & Sledding...

Committee Reports

- Cemetery
 - The cemetery committee is absorbing the cost of church mowing to help with the general fund deficit.
- Finance and Stewardship
 - Consecration Sunday estimates of giving are continuing to come in.
- Personnel
 - Working on hiring Stacy Lottman for sidewalk snow removal. Chris Ruser motioned that we approve the hiring as Personnel Committee proposed. Gloria Peterson seconded. All in favor.
- Worship & Music
 - Christmas Eve services at 4:00, 5:30, and 11.
 - One service on 12/30

Old Business

- Church Directory
 - Sign up for your pictures for the church directory

New Business

- Nominating Committee
 - Committee will start meeting soon
- Annual Meeting
 - Committee reports due Friday, December 21st, 2018
 - Agenda & Resolutions were discussed
- Bega-Kwa-Bega
 - Congregational Pairing with Ilula Tanzania congregation.
 - Gifts were sent to us.
- Volunteer Work Day
 - 12/4
 - Monthly event; projects include painting, replacement lights, moving benches.
- Budget for Property Committee
 - Chris Ruser moves, and Sue Abrahamson seconds that we list sewer, elevator and drainage projects as 2019 items that will happen out of budget, funded by 3M and other sources. All in favor.
- Stump Removal
 - Chris Ruser moves, and Anna Burch seconds that we approve Property Committee's request to grind three stumps at the parsonage by Above All Tree Care. All in favor.
- Carrie Benson
 - Council wishes to express their appreciation for and thanks for Carrie Benson, for all the giving of her time, energy and talents for the church.
- Confirmation & Carrying Hands Committee
 - Conversation was had about fees for confirmation
- Weebly vs. WordPress
 - Weebly is a new web site software we will be moving to, replacing WordPress.

Closing Prayer/Adjournment Lee Peterson motions to adjourn at 9:27. Gloria Peterson seconds. All in favor. The meeting is adjourned.

Next meeting will be December 20th. Lee will have devotions and treats.

Respectfully submitted, Lee Peterson for Janie Briggs