

Congregation Council

Lutheran Church of the Nativity

June 2016

June 6, 2016 6:30 p.m.

Present: Allen Ray, Anne Schruckmayr, Andra Nus, Mark Grush, Jennie Gillette, Kathleen Treiber, Mike Kestner, Wes McCall, Leigha Jordan, Brian Johnson, Pastor Mark Fitzsimmons, Pastor Gregg Hoffman, Pastor Rachel Hoffman, Katie Wadington, and Ashley Hammack

Absent: Candace Trull, Brian Feid

I. GATHERING

- A. Review of Agenda:
- B. Sharing and opening prayer

II. STUDY: Converting Excitement into Action: Study explored what Council areas of the church they would like to focus on in terms of Worship, Care, Learn, and Give as well as the functions of Council as well as how to begin implementing the ideas discussed during the study time.

III. REPORTS and ACTION

- A. **Submission and Approval of May Council Minutes:** The minutes for the May Council meeting were submitted for approval to Council. Motion to approve: Katie Wadington, Seconded by Mark Grush. Minutes were approved.
- B. **Election of Treasurer:** Kathleen Treiber was nominated for the position of treasurer. Discussions began. Motion to close nominations: Pastor Mark. Vote for Kathleen Treiber as treasurer, to serve a two year term: All in favor.
- C. **Capital Improvement: Roof:** Request to approve additional charges for further work needed on the roof in the sum of \$2,860 was submitted by the Property Committee. Council voted to approve the additional sum for the roof.
- D. **Nominations for Vacant Council Seat:** Council member Brian Johnson is vacating his seat, leaving one year on his term. Council began discussion for nominations to fill the vacant seat. Those presented as possible candidates will be reached out to. Council will vote in August on the vacant seat.
- E. **Finalizing Council Committees:** Council finalized its committee members with the oncoming council members. These groups are as follows, Governance: Mike Kestner, Jennie Gillette; Leadership: Katie Wadington, Ashley Hammack, Andra Nus, and Candace Trull; Fiduciary: Kathleen Treiber, Anne Shruckmayr; Mission/Vision: Brian Feid, Leigha Jordan, and Mark Grush.
- F. **Committee Roles and Focus:** The roles and function of council were reviewed for the oncoming members.
- G. **7 Year Time Line:** No New Updates
- H. **Report from Governance:** No new updates. Governance is currently reviewing the wedding policy.
- I. **Report from Leadership:** No new updates.
- J. **Fiduciary:** No new updates. Fiduciary reports that things are on budget.
- K. **Report from Mission/Vision:** No new updates. Mission/Vision met and discussed implementing a survey to find out what members would like to add to the 7 year time line, offering volunteer opportunities for those interested in helping.
- L. **Synod Report:** 6 members of Council were at the recent NC Synod Assembly June 3-4. Those members report it was very informative. The resolutions explored were in depth and thorough. A summary will be made available for the e-news for congregation members to read.
- M. **Pastors' Reports:** Pastor Gregg thanked those that helped him and Pastor Rachel move in, expressing gratitude for the support from the congregation. Pastor Rachel extended her thanks and gratitude as well. She is working on getting to know the youth and their parents as the beach retreat nears. Pastor Mark extended thanks to those who helped provided refreshments for the installation reception of Pastors Gregg and Rachel. The offering at the ordination for the Pastors Hoffman is to be received by Nativity for the youth group to attend the upcoming LYO. Pastor Mark briefly reported on the NC Synod Assembly. He reported that

the pre assembly, held June 1 was informative as it explored the role of social media uses in a congregation. Pastor Mark briefed council on ELCA Votes, in which churches help voters reach polling places during times of election.

Council Meeting adjourned into work groups at 8:29 p.m.

IV. SENDING

V. WORK GROUPS

- A. Governance
- B. Mission/Vision
- C. Leadership Development
- D. Fiduciary

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.