Lutheran Church of the Nativity – Congregation Council Minutes

April 11, 2016

The Congregation Council of the Lutheran Church of the Nativity met on Monday, April 11, at 6:30 pm at the church. Members present were Brian Feid, Kathleen Treiber, Kent Oehm, Ashley Hammack, Anne Schruckmayr, Summer Covington, Kirsten Cooper, Cate Rheney, Pastor Mark Fitzsimmons and Fred Park. Absent were Mike Kestner, Jennie Gillette, Brian Johnson, Allen Ray and Tim Feid. The meeting opened with sharing among members and an opening prayer.

Study:

The study time was used for an evaluation of Council structure and operation. Many ideas were discussed and offered for consideration by next year's Council. Fred will summarize those for distribution.

Reports and Actions:

- Brief reports were given by each of the work groups of Council.
- The Audit Committee has met and performed the annual audit for 2015. Their report will be submitted to the Council at our May meeting. Any recommendations will be forwarded to the appropriate group.
- Fred gave an update on the call process. The "meet and greet" events, held on Sunday, April 10, were well received. The next step in the process is the congregation meeting on Sunday, April 17.
- No action was taken on the credit card policy. It had been returned to the Finance Committee and has not come back to Council for action.
- The Medical Loan Closet policy was approved as presented by the Governance work group.
- Fred gave a report from the Council elections, held on Sunday, April 10. Elected by the congregation were Kathleen Treiber, Mark Grush, Andra Nus and Brian Feid.
- Council then elected Leigha Jordan and Candace Trull for two year terms and Wes McCall for a one year term that will be vacant when Allen Ray assumes his position as Council President.
- Pastor Mark gave his report that centered around the Lenten and Easter seasons, work on confirmation and planning for a new, three-pastor staffing model.

Sending:

The meeting concluded with prayer and time for the work groups to meet.