

Central Lutheran Church Council Meeting

March 14, 2016

Vice President Jill Pouliot declared a quorum and acknowledged two empty chairs representing the presence of Christ and the one for the stranger. Council members present were: Brian Budahn, Ken Glover, Paul Johansson, Cheryl Johnson, Donelle King, Jacki Kritzeck, Cindy Novotny, Jill Pouliot, Brenda Shirley, Ed Studniski, Keith Terlinden and Tom Tyler. Absent were: Pat Hackman, Brandon Hanson and J. C. Thieke. Staff guests were: Pastor Ryan Braley and Sonja Knutson.

Business Meeting:

Keith Terlinden moved to accept the agenda with the addition to Old Business of the appointment of a person to the vacant position on the Finance Committee. Jacki Kritzeck seconded the motion and the motion carried. Brian Budahn moved to accept the February 8, 2016, minutes as written. Cindy Novotny seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Financial Reports: There were no changes to share in regards to the January, 2016, financial report. Ken Glover moved to accept the January Financial Report. Tom Tyler seconded the motion and the motion carried. Treasurer Ed Studniski walked through the February, 2016, preliminary financial report. Council was pleased to see the amazing turnaround with Little Lambs' finances.

The Finance Committee brought to the Church Council 'The Financial Policies, Procedures and Controls for Central Lutheran Church'. The Council reviewed and made a few additions/changes to it. Treasurer Ed Studniski read back the additions and changes. Brian Budahn moved to approve 'The Financial Policies, Procedures and Controls for Central Lutheran Church' with said changes. Tom Tyler seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Give like God Gives – 99 Days of Generosity: Pastor Johansson shared information about this stewardship movement that begins on Good Friday and ends on the 4th of July. If you give like God gives you will become free. Pastor Braley shared how we want to share with the congregation where their tithes and offering go; what they are supporting.

Personnel Report: Pastor Johansson reported that the process to hire an Administrator has begun. Interviews will be conducted the end of March and the person will hopefully be able to start on Monday, April 25, to allow a couple weeks of training with Brenda Shirley, present Administrator.

Property Report: Brenda Shirley reported that Norm Baty moved to full-time Property Manager on February 22 and is doing a wonderful job. Norm is working on the brick replacement on the front of the building with Jack Holmes. Another property project on the front burner is the carpet that needs to be replaced in the lobby, hallways and office.

Congregational Meeting: Ken Glover moved to set the Congregational Meeting for Sunday, June 5, at 12:15 pm. Tom Tyler seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Old Business: The vacant position on the Finance Committee still remains to be filled. It was noted that Terry Walling from Leader Breakthru continues to struggle with his health. He is scheduled to visit Central in November, 2016.

New Business: The Preliminary 2017 Budget was distributed. Treasurer Ed Studniski highlighted points and asked the members to review it and be ready to discuss it at the April 11 meeting.

Prayers and Spiritual Formation was led by Pastor Johansson.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda J. Shirley
Council Secretary