

Calvary Church Council Meeting

Tuesday February 13, 2018

Meeting called to order by President Carol Reedstrom @ 7:10 pm

Attendance: Carla Diesch, Cleo Matzke, Jolene Anderson, Carol Reedstrom, Erica Kittelson, Pastor Giese, Alison Pasbrig, Jerry Schwantes and Heather Pasbrig

Excused Absence: Jodi Miller, Shelly Wingen and Financial Secretary Sara Wingen

Unexcused Absence:

Minutes: Carla passed out the minutes for the January Council meeting for review and approval of the council. Jolene Anderson made a motion to approve, Cleo Matzke seconded the motion and motion carried by voice vote of the council.

Presidents Report:

We received correspondence from Lutheran Social Service saying thank you for the \$100.00 we sent them.

Crossroads asked us to keep them in our prayers for the year.

Lutheran Memorial Home in Madelia has their annual meeting on February 27th at 7:00 pm.

Received a letter from Xcel Energy sharing information for changes in the future.

Community Insurance sent a thank you.

Received an appeal for due diligence in compensation for Pastor Sue. Asked to receive 2 weeks' vacation pay for 2017, Oct/Nov Social Security and Continuing Education. Continuing Education is off the table as Pastor Sue cannot take these with her. Jolene Anderson made a motion to pay the vacation and social security and Pastor Giese seconded the motion. Heather made a recommendation to include a letter with the payment indicating Pastor Sue will be considered paid in full as the result of this payment. The motion and recommendation were carried by voice vote of the council. This payment will also be indicated in the 2018 annual report.

Discussed updating the mission statement and making it a goal of 2018.

Treasurer's Report: Erica Kittelson shared the checks were ordered. Heather Pasbrig made a motion to approve, Carla Diesch seconded, and motion carried by voice vote of the council.

Financial Secretary Report: Due to Sara Wingen not being present it was decided by the council to review the January and February reports at the March 20, 2018 meeting. Council also

discussed needing a backup for this position for due to the importance of checks and balances for financial records.

Pastor's Report:

Bishop Delzer will be retiring after his 6 years is up. Pastor Miller is retiring next year as the Assistant to the Bishop for the Call Process. Pastor Reuss, Director for Evangelical Mission and Assistant to Bishop, will retire at the end of term.

Synod Conference Assembly will be in Mankato. The church will only have to pay registration for Pastor Giese, Jodi and Joan.

Pastor handed out his report for January and schedule for the month of June which he is not available June 3rd. He is available the 17th for sure and then the 10th or 24th. The dates will be offered to Pastor Paul Meierding and Rebecca Sullivan then Dave Reedstrom will be asked to cover. Pastor will also provide service for worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

Pastor Olson's Transition Presentation with the Council and Guide team was discussed. Pastor Olson is meeting with Pastor Miller and it has not been determined if Pastor Miller will work through Pastor Giese or will setup a meeting with the Council and the Guide Team. Pastor Giese will connect with Pastor Miller.

Old Business:

Worship coverage discussed in Pastor's report

Lenten Worship free will offering designations: February 14th – Holden Village / February 21st – Pastor Sue Computer / February 28th – Women's Group / March 7th – Service Projects / March 14th – Pastor Sue Computer / March 21st – Holden Village

Guide Team meeting is scheduled for 2/27/18 @ 7:00 pm. Put up another sign reading "Hope In Christ" at the front of the church.

New Business:

Church wide cleaning chores and schedule – tabled

Survey for Reflections on the Options for Ministry was handed out for review. Pastor Giese will post.

Discovering Hope – Council was asked to complete the survey and return it to Pastor Giese by putting it in his mailbox. Results will be discussed at the March meeting.

Announcements:

Next Meeting to be held on: Tuesday March 20, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 9:25 pm.