

Church Council Minutes

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 - 6:30 pm

Meeting Location:	OSLC

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1. The meeting was called to order by President Rod Custer at 6:35 PM. Members present were Pastor Stephan Sandness, Rod Custer, Michelle Keil, Cindy Koppinger, Deb Kimbell, Kari Webb, Dillon Haug, Gary Dettman, Lonnie Haugland and Jim Van't Land.
2. Kari Webb shared a devotion from Mark about Jesus & His disciples and their conversation about the temple and its future – which was temporal, just as our work here on earth. The only thing in the story (and in our lives) that is eternal are the people; which is where our focus needs to be – on the people in our lives.
3. Each Council member shared “What’s On Top” in their lives.
4. The agenda was approved with a motion by Cindy Koppinger and a second by Deb Kimbell. The motion carried.
5. October Council Meeting Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Michelle Keil and a second by Cindy Koppinger. The motion carried.
6. Lonnie Haugland shared the October Treasurer’s report, noting that giving exceeded expenses by approximately \$4600 for the month, but expenses exceed giving by approximately \$7900 year-to-date. November and December are usually good giving months so there is no concern for the balance of the year. The Treasurer’s report was approved with a motion by Jim Van’t Land and a second by Gary Dettman. The motion carried.
7. Staff Reports
 - a. Pastor Stephan – shared that it has been a very “full fall” with something “special” almost every Sunday. Completed a New Member orientation and welcome, as well as the Stewardship Campaign (estimate-of-giving cards are still coming in). Preparations for Advent are underway. Confirmation and Youth meetings are well attended.

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8. Committee Updates
 - a. Education – Deb Kimbell reported that Christmas Program practice will start November 18; several high school kids help with Sunday School, Wednesday School and KidZone, which have all been well attended. A Financial Planning class for adults is planned for February, led by Marcus Stacy.
 - b. Communication – Michelle Keil noted that the new Logo was rolled out at the Congregation Meeting. A developer for the website has been selected and is under contract. Next meeting is Thursday, November 15.
 - c. Mission Team – Cindy Koppinger shared that Angel Tree ministry is underway and that Guatemala sales were very successful.
 - d. Properties – Gary Dettman is planning to use spare sanctuary carpet squares to re-carpet Beth's office. The estimate for gutter guards and heat tape is about \$12,000 so he is looking for alternate bids. Rod Custer noted that one of the projector bulbs needs replacing and should be done before Advent/Christmas services.
9. Pastor Stephan shared that the Treasurer's position is being filled by Lonnie Haugland on an interim basis until January 2019 when Mark Harding will fill the position through April 2019.
10. Council Members to participate on the Council Nominating Committee: Dawn Wood and Deb Kimbell.
11. The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Cindy Koppinger and a second by Deb Kimbell. Motion approved, and meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Van't Land

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