

Church Council Minutes

Tuesday, November 8, 2016 – 6 - 6:30 pm

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| Meeting Location: | Devotions: | Treats |
| Our Savior Lutheran Church | Larry Bakke | Tracy Johnson |

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1. The meeting was called to order by Rocky Millis. Members present were Andy Fett, Wendy Soulek, Tracy Johnson, Pam Englund, Dianne Miller, Deb Kimball, Rocky Millis, Kyle Vavruska, Larry Bakke, Tracy Johnson, Eric Hunt, Tammi Martin, Pastor Stephan Sandness, Laura Campbell. Andy Fett was notified of the immediate pending arrival of his daughter and had to leave right away.
2. Devotions were shared by Larry Bakke.
3. The November Agenda was approved with a motion from Pam Englund and second by Tammi Martin. The motion carried.
4. The October Council Minutes were approved with a motion from Kyle Vavruska, second by Deb Kimball and unanimously carried.
5. Tammi Martin shared the October Treasurer's Report with income a ytd and expenses of \$37,685.70 leaving a surplus of \$1,082.17. The General Fund (Dedicated Accounts) began the year at \$245,061.94 and is now \$171,785.67 with the primary projects being the parking lot, sidewalks and sanctuary carpet. Rocky Millis moved to approve the report, seconded by Pam Englund.
6. Laura Cambell shared gratitude for a wonderful two weeks of vacation. She mentioned spending an evening with the Bartell family. She had her Candidacy interview during Fall Theological and is now waiting on final Deacon/Roster Leader approval. Laura started a new Bible Study at the living room. 12 of 14 have consistently come so is great success. Laura announced two new Ange Tree co-chair people: Karleen Dagit and Helen Merriman. There are 7 families joining our congregation on November 13.

Pastor Sandness has been busy with confirmation working on the Apostles Creed. There were 12 young people confirming their baptism. For the 3 Advent Wednesdays, Beth Nielsen and Pastor will be doing the Advent Conspiracy from 6-6:50 p.m. There will be no supper. There are 2-3 weddings this month and a funeral this week. Consecration Sunday is the 20th. We are entering the season of Advent and our semi-annual meeting is on the 20th, as well.

7. Committee Updates –
 - a. Mission Ministry – They are working on the Angel Tree which will be up November 27 – December 4. There is a brunch on Consecration Sunday.
 - b. Senior Ministry is having Christmas Party on the 8th.
 - c. Friendship Ministry is having a social and are going through Christian Caregivers training.
 - d. Education Committee reports that Sunday School will be going away from the rotation

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program that was initiated this Fall.

8. With Laura Campbell on the very last step of becoming a Rostered Leader which is now called Deacon, we need to make the formal call. Dianne Miller motioned that, we, as a Council present it at the Congregational Meeting this Sunday to call Laura to be our Deacon. Tammi Martin seconded it. It was discussed and agree that we would present the congregation with it so they could formally make the decision.
9. Brad Scott will be leading the "Listen! God is Calling" campaign January 29th 2017. Robert Hansen will come and preach that Sunday, and Brad will speak one of the two Sunday's prior and Kris Garlick will share one of the Sundays prior. It is a gift to our grandchildren.
10. Pastor Stephan closed with devotion.
11. Kyle Vavruska motioned to Adjourn. Larry Bakke seconded the motion and it carried. Council was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

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