

Trinity Lutheran Church
Minutes of Church Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Called to order at 6:05 pm by Bob Horn

Opening prayer: Pastor Eric

Council Members and Roll Call:

President: Bob Horn

Vice President: Marcus Rismiller, absent

Secretary: Elizabeth Snodgrass

Building and Property: Anthony Wright, Absent

Youth and Family: Michelle Wright, absent

Social Concerns: Elaine Olson

Stewardship: Jonathan Sargent, absent

Non-voting: Eric Wooldridge, Nina Body, Tammy Rismiller

The agenda was OK'd, with the addition of setting a date for the semi-annual meeting.

There were no changes to the minutes from the previous meeting.

Reports:

Youth Advisory: Recommended that Lent activities be at Trinity due to the high number of participating TLC youth. This would allow for easier planning and implementation of youth and children activities. Ash Wednesday and Holy Week services would be at Hope.

Van Ideas: There is a possibility of getting a used van free of charge through King County Council member Reagan Dunn's office. However, there are additional expenses such as insurance and maintenance. This will warrant additional research and consideration.

Social Concerns: Tammy, Colleen, Elaine and Laine Eldridge will be traveling to a border community in Texas to explore the possibility of serving the immigrant population. They will be meeting with an organization called Border Perspective to gain information and learn the issues that are present in that area.

Finance: Written profit and loss statement for March was provided. Income was shown as \$49,963 for the month, and expenses were \$38,808.27. Year to date, income stands as \$115,739.36, and expenses at \$116,788.92.

Pastor's Report

Holy Week and Easter: It was meaningful to celebrate Maundy Thursday and Good Friday with Hope Lutheran. The three Easter services went well, with a total of 385 people attending.

Council Elections - Three council members are concluding 2 year terms and are eligible to continue for another two years. Council encouraged to consider other members who would be willing and able to serve in a leadership role.

Evangelism through Community Involvement: We continue to grow steadily in our membership and participation. Nearly all new participants have discovered Trinity by word of mouth. This is very encouraging, and it affirms that we should continue to thank our members for being active in the local community through volunteerism, charitable work, and the like.

New Business:

- A. Current Offer on the Land:** We have received the Purchase and Sale Agreement from Quarterra. It is to be reviewed by legal counsel before signing by the deadline of May 24, 2024.
- B. Semi Annual Meeting Date:** This meeting is set for June 2nd, after the 9:30 am service.
- C. Neighbor Property:** Pastor has spoken briefly with the family who owns the home next to the church. The primary owner has passed away, and surviving family members are taking over the property.
- D. Preschool Celebration:** May 19th, celebration of the preschool with a breakfast served between services. Details of the celebration were discussed. It was felt that we would want to find a special way to honor preschool founder Pat Garrett. Ideas were shared.
- E. Additional discussions:** Council members discussed various topics regarding the two houses owned by the church on the eleven acre property, and church building history.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Adjourn at 7:05 p.m.