

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2020 – 7:00 PM**

OUR SAVIOR'S IS A WELCOMING COMMUNITY, EXPERIENCING GOD, REACHING OUT, AND RAISING UP FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST.,

Members Present: Brad Haynes, Patty Young, Joey Warta, Bret Johnson, Kitty Hietala, Kathy Lund, Chip Rasche, Susan Krogstrand, Maxine Remme
Pastor Kathleen Ulland-Klinkner and Pastor Dave Nissen

1. **Call to order** by Patty Young
 - a. Attendees/Roll call. See above
2. **Opening Prayer/Devotions** – Joey Warta
 - a. February Meeting – Maxine Remme
3. **Any Additions to the Agenda**
 - h. Luther Memorial Home (Living Meadows)
 - i. Leadership Conference – February 29th – Willmar
4. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Pastor Kathleen Report – see attached
 - b. Staff/Committee report – Pastor Kathleen's report
 - c. Pastor Dave's report
 - d. Updates to Council – from Pre-Council Meeting
Report accepted and filed
5. **Financial Report** – Treasurer Bret Johnson
 - a. See handouts
 - b. At this point we have a net loss over last year
 - c. Only one quarter of Benevolences paid this year
 - d. We do have 109 Pledge cards returned \$278,000.00
 - e. We have 114 electronic givers for a total of \$172,000.00
 - f. Bret reported that there seems to be a passion on the Stewardship Committee that should be very helpful.
 - g. Stewardship committee thinks that we need to have a discussion about what we are doing - how people get involved
 - h. Stewardship Committee – Pastor Kathy, Aaron Lambrecht, Ann Anderson, Patty Young, Sheri Dittrich-Reinhart
 - i. Annual Meeting will be held in the Social Hall
Motion by Joey seconded by Kathy Lund to accept the financial report. MSP
6. **New Business**
 - a. Budget approval. - Motion made by Joey – seconded by Chip to present this budget to the congregation and vote on it at Annual Meeting, MSP

- b. Professional audit for 2019? (recommended at least every three years) send to audit committee to search for firm to do the audit
 - c. Proposed constitution/by-law changes for annual meeting
 - i. Personnel and Finance Comm. – needs to be constitutional amendment – present language at annual meeting – vote at special meeting in late March/early April.
 - ii. Stewardship Committee – not constitutional - council can create by own action
 - d. Computer update: Quote from Jason Steele. Pastor Kathy shared that the staff may want laptop computers. She will continue to work with Jason. Approached WELCA but their funds cannot be used towards purchase of computers
 - e. Council will be serving supper on Wednesday, January 29. Donation will be to Green Lake. Assignments were made for food items. Will be sent out by Maxine via e mail.
 - f. Report – meeting with Prairie Land Parish on January 9th.
 - a. Table until Prairie Land Parish has defined their needs
 - g. 75th Anniversary Committee (75 years in 2022) place on February agenda
 - h. Luther Memorial Home/Living Meadows asking for delegate(s) to annual meeting on February 2, 2020. More info coming
 - i. Will encourage people to attend the Leadership Conference in Willmar on February 29. \$30.00 per person for registration
7. **Unfinished Business:** There was none
8. **Communication to Congregation/Announcements**
- a. Reminder regarding Annual Meeting
 - b. Thank you to all outgoing team members and a thank you for your service.
 - c. Reminder about meeting following worship service to see the budget for next year.
 - d. Announcing that there will be some constitutional changes looked Ann. Meeting
- 9 Next meeting will be held on February 27-2020. 7:00 PM
10. **Closing Prayer/adjournment,** Motion by Brad seconded by Joey to adjourn. MSP

Respectfully submitted by Maxine Remme, Council Secretary