

## Lutheran Church of the Incarnation Council Minutes

August 14, 2018

*We are seeking to be an inclusive, multi-generational congregation living in the grace of God and providing a sanctuary that equips us for service in the community while bringing the good news to all.*

- I. **Attendance:** Council Roster: Debbie Kennedy (2018), Jo Ann Anderson (2019), Mick Finn (2019), Jeff de Ropp (2020), Carol Huegli (2020), Dave Kukis (2020), Lori Martin Bodhipresart (2021), Craig Copelan (2021), Connie Valentine (2021), Pr. Dan Smith  
Absent: Gretchen Peralta (2021)
- II. **Devotions and Prayer:** Carol Huegli called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Craig Copelan led the Council in opening prayer and devotions.
- III. **Reading of the Behavioral Covenant:** Pr. Dan led the Council in reading the Behavioral Covenant (on file), one voice at a time.
- IV. **Approval of July 10, 2018 Minutes:** Jo Ann Anderson  
Minutes were approved as corrected (on file).
- V. **Financial Report:** Debbie Kennedy and Dave Kukis  
Debbie and Dave reviewed the July 31, 2018 financial report (on file). Operating cash deficit was \$7,576.23. Total giving was \$31,464.53.

The church phones stopped working again. WIFI, Ethernet and phones are out. John Huegli is following up with AT&T regarding restoring service.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to close the Ameriprise account, used for stock transactions (processing gifts). Dave will look into Raymond James terms of service.

Committees will be asked this month to submit their annual budget requests to the Treasurer. This will begin the annual budget process. Synod Assembly approved a stretching budget for FY 2019-20, asking congregations to increase their giving to Synod in order for Synod to continue giving to Synod Mission and Ministry Partners.

- VI. **Pastor's Report:** Pr. Dan Smith  
Pr. Dan presented his report (on file). A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept into LCI membership Ervin and Carol Werner and Otto and Lynn Rabe by letters of transfer. Pr. Dan visited Holden village with members of Davis Lutheran and LCI. New Life Band from Tanzania will be playing at LCI October 5 and needs housing that night for nine members. Lundgrens, Lori Martin Bodhiprasart, Kolariks, Smiths and Hueglis have volunteered to host. Mt. Cross is celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a celebration at Mt. Cross on Saturday, September 29, (all invited) and a capitol campaign for facility improvement.

Pr. Dan led us in a “Who owns the church” reflective exercise.

VII. **Old Business:**

- A. **What will make a good Council meeting?** Carol asked that we reflect on what will make a good Council meeting. See July 10 Council minutes for notes on our discussion of this topic (on file).
- B. **Sanctuary Renovation:** Executive Committee has requested that the Sanctuary Task Force (Ed Green, Karen Slabaugh, Jenny Fortuna, and Pr. Dan) study the recommendations made by architect Bill McCandless (conceptual), and the preliminary design schematic submitted by Daniel Sedillo and HGRA Architecture and make a recommendation to Council on the next steps.
- C. **August 25 Council Retreat:** The retreat will be held at The Belfry, 216 A St., Davis, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with breakfast and lunch provided. Pr. Mark Price from Lodi will facilitate. Council will meet at LCI and car pool. Belfry parking is limited.
- D. **Funeral and Memorial Services Policy and Guidelines:** A motion was made and seconded to adopt the subject written policy (on file) without a fee schedule. The motion was amended to include in the policy an introduction to be written by Connie, something like, “If you have lost a loved one, we at Lutheran Church of the Incarnation are very sorry for your grief....” Amended motion seconded and carried.

VIII. **New Business:**

- A. **Stewardship:** Pr. Dan stated we will have three Sundays in the fall, September 23, October 21, and November 18, with emphasis on time and talents with accompanying Adult Education. Vern Holmes will lead us in Stewardship for six weeks, January 6 through March 3, with education, interpretation, and response (commitment). Vern’s report is on file.
- B. **Executive Session:** A confidential Executive Session of Council was held.

IX. **Committee, Task Force, and President’s Reports**

- A. **Social Justice Committee:** Jo Ann presented the Social Justice Committee informational report on upcoming events (on file).
- B. **President’s Report:** Carol pointed out that future Council agendas will list upcoming agenda items at the end of the agenda. A solar panel proposal will be presented at the October meeting.

X. **Closing:**

Carol closed the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Pr. Dan led the Council in closing prayer.

Closers for August, 2018: Jo Ann Anderson (August 5, 19 & 26) & Debbie Kennedy (August 12)

Closers for September, 2018: Jeff de Ropp (September 2, 9, 23 & 30) & Mick Finn (September 16)

Devotions for September, 2018: Jeff de Ropp

Jo Ann Anderson, Secretary