

# **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

## **Church Council Meeting Minutes**

March 12, 2019

### **Opening**

The regular meeting of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (GSLC) council was called to order at 8:07 pm on March 12, 2019 by Mark Deniston.

### **Present**

Pastor Jeremy Serrano, Mark Deniston, Nancy Judge, Sue Hertless, Mike Henry, John Mott, Greg Buchholz and Laura Mott.

Absent – Tony Rogelstad, Tyler Costa and Candace Bradley

### **Recognitions**

- Mark Deniston recognized Candace Bradley for giving new council member Mike Henry training on the council member of the day (COD) duties and also Sue Hertless and Betty Jacobsen for all of their work and dedication that they put into their El Salvador ministry trip.
- Nancy Judge recognized the member who made the prayer ‘ropes’.
- Pastor Jeremy recognized Nancy Judge for the chancel area redesign for Lent and Rene Reis for assisting with ‘Ashes to Go’ on Ash Wednesday.
- Sue Hertless recognized Kristina Costa for creating the El Salvador poster, Betty Jacobsen for making the paraments and Elsie Witt for helping care for Fran Mecklenberg.

### **Correspondence**

The Sierra Pacific synod of the ELCA sent us their appreciation for our donation of \$3,830.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Due to a printing issue, none were available to approve.

#### **Organist/Pianist and Choir Director – Search & Update**

A selection committee has been formed consisting of Pastor, Reyanne Freeman, Leone McCullough, Pat Brach, Joe Carlson, Emily Patton, Laura Mott and Sue Hertless.

#### **Stephen Ministry**

Some limited discussion was held on the possibility of establishing a Stephen Ministry here at GSLC. Pastor Jeremy moved to table the topic until the next meeting due to the limited time available.

### **New Management Structure (Visioning?)**

Pastor Jeremy used the analogy that we have all the parts of a great car but are not always working together. How can we better bring everything together? Sue suggested that this would be a good topic for our upcoming council retreat.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Facility Use Requests**

- None. As an FYI the carpet in Fellowship Hall will be cleaned on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Pumpkin Patch 2019**

- Based on discussion and on the congregation's favorable response during the annual meeting a motion was made by Sue Hertless and seconded by John Mott to go forward with plans to have the pumpkin patch again this year. Motion passed.

#### **Soup Suppers**

A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for the soup suppers.

#### **Council Retreat**

Potential plans and dates for a council retreat were discussed. It will likely be held at the Baha'i Center again. Pastor Jeremy will send out a 'Doodle' to get a date that best works for everyone.

#### **Committee Reports**

Please see the individual committee reports. Some additional discussion occurred on the following topics:

- Pastor's report:
  - o There is a need for some additional 'No Parking' signage to allow us to have cars towed. Pastor will take this request to the Property Committee.
  - o Pastor would like to purchase a set of Stations of the Cross icons. He would like to use monies from the Memorial Fund to purchase a set of 14 icons which are approximately 8 in. by 11 in. in size. We will vote on this during next month's meeting.
- Evangelism report:
  - o Sue Hertless reported from her recent El Salvador trip that 23 of 57 local churches attended a parament workshop and will have paraments for Easter. Bishop Medardo was very grateful.

- Bishop Medardo is committed to visiting in September, depending on his son's health.
- GSLC will once again participate in Concord's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. This year we will partner with First Lutheran to celebrate "13 years of Giving Thanks at Thanksgiving".
- Social Ministry:
  - Friends Feeding Friends passed inspection.
  - Our website has a place to sign up for volunteer opportunities. Do we advertise FFF's successes.
  - Lenten projects – FFF doing 5 week request for donations.
  - FFF building – who is responsible now? Will probably now shift away from Mark Deniston a bit and will go more to Property Committee.

Miscellaneous Discussion - Council briefly discussed campus security and the need to come up with a better way to control access to Fellowship Hall. It was discussed to possibly start locking FH doors during the day and have a key with big stick that people would need to get from Laura.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm by Mark Deniston. The next general meeting will be at 7:00 pm on April 9th, in Fellowship Hall.

Minutes submitted by: Greg Buchholz, Council Secretary