

# **Our Father's Lutheran Church**

## **Council Minutes**

### **August 17, 2023**

Attendance: Wendy Gustafson, Shannon Sand, Jody Bryant, Lauren Johnson, Erin Smith, Jill Madsen

#### **Devotion & Prayer – Lauren**

#### **Administrative/Personnel:**

- Pastoral Call update: Call committee has received 2 candidate names and will begin the interview process.
- Pastoral Report – Pastor Bob has been preaching (with Bible study after service,) completing pastoral care calls/visits, and preparing the funeral of Linda Devens.

#### **Finance:**

- Treasurer update- Funds are stable. Monthly offering for July was \$19,916.
- Transition from to new bookkeeping-no further changes this month.
- Yeti program- will extend into September to accommodate increase anticipated payroll increase for a new pastor.
- Counting Schedule- Increase to twice a month. Counters are signing up for shifts via SignUp Genius.
- Vanco update in progress. This is a program that operates Simply Giving and will be required in coming months to continue this service.

#### **Internal Ministries:**

#### **Building & Grounds**

Building & Grounds Committee recruitment- John Gilb is resigning effective 10/1.(Thanks John!) Looking to recruit a committee to cover building needs.

Parking lot renovations-Resurfacing bids reviewed. Will plan to resurface/stripe the north parking lot. Goal for completion before Fall Festival. This will be funded from the Give to the Max campaign last fall and a contribution from Nourishing Hope.

Building Security – discussion regarding options for access and improving the system of balancing building security and needs of individual/group access.

**Nourishing Hope**-will contribute partial funds for parking lot upkeep. They will be adding a line item to their budget to consider building upkeep regarding their services.

**VBS**-Wonderful week. Many adult volunteers helped things run smoothly. Need to review safety practices re: adult volunteers. Will review/update as needed for next year.**Sunday School/ Engage and Confirm**- Fall enrollment is in progress.

**Funeral Process**– Discussion of things to update post-Covid costs. Kitchen role will receive a small stipend for each service. While in the call process consider the pastoral funeral pay with increased time spent with families.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Fall Festival- October 14<sup>th</sup> - Brittini has planning underway.
- Crow River- December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Christmas- recruit volunteers to organize.

### **Other:**

- Eagle Scout Project request- no update
- Upcoming meeting schedule- Council meetings will be moving to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month to accommodate end of month bookkeeping needs.
- Other items from council- Adams pest control hasn't been coming – will contact them to assess our service.

September 12, 2023 - 7:00 PM

October 10, 2023 – 7:00 PM

November 14, 2023 7:00 PM

December 12, 2023 7:00 PM

January 9, 2023 7:00 PM