

Our Father's Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Agenda

Sunday, January 29th, 2023, 10:00am

Attendance: 50 in person

Call to Order at 10:10am: Pam Hoekstra

Opening Prayer: Pastor Aaron Fuller

Reading of minutes from 2022 Annual Meeting: Pam Hoekstra

Motion to Accept: Jim Lupino made a motion, Lisa Barden 2nd the motion. Motion APPROVED.

Council President's Message: Pam Hoekstra

Challenges: Budget General Fund shortfall

Highlights: Expo booth in April and Rockford/Greenfield, 50th Anniversary celebration, Pancake breakfast at River Days, Fall Festival, Crow River Christmas Market, Influence Church joined Nourishing Hope

Thanked our amazing staff, Pastor Aaron, Amy Krcil, and council members whose terms are up (Amy Jacobson, Brian Walton, and Tiffany Distad)

Shared the energy she is noticing and is excited about that.

Council Vice President's Message: Wendy Gustafson

Shared our vision and encouraging others to share their gifts, whatever that may look like.

Pastor's Message: Pastor Aaron Fuller

What has given me joy? Engage and Confirm has been fun and rewarding to see the students learn, grow, and ask questions. Also, more than ever, he loves to preach. Really brings joy to see more and more people get involved at OFLC throughout 2022. Coming out of the pandemic and seeing people contribute has been rewarding. Encourages everyone to allow yourself to live out their faith in whatever that looks like, including allowing our youngest of OFLC community to participate with offering, Nourishing Hope, etc.

Treasurer's Recap from 2022: Amy Krcil

Average giving per family a month was about \$200. \$352,000 in giving in 2022. \$43,000 giving of the year came from Give to the Max and Employer Retention Credit.

Mortgage Reserve sitting at \$2,400 and she would like to see about 3 months of reserve. Asked everyone to consider allocating some extra funds in that area in 2023.

Amy shared what the treasurer role looks like and said she would be with the next treasurer every step of the way.

OFLC Ministry Reports

Nourishing Hope Report by Pastor Aaron:

Nourishing Hope is an outreach ministry and not an outside organization. Demand has greatly increased in 2022. If you ask the community about OFLC, a lot of people will mention Nourishing Hope. Looking into the future, what does Nourishing Hope look like and where do we take this ministry in 2023 to help it grow? There are outside organizations that have shown great interest in helping Nourishing Hope grow.

OFLC Foundation Report by Becky Miller:

Foundation investments took a hit in 2022 due to economy. Share the website and all that the Foundation has accomplished, learn about the Foundation group members, and shared the grant tab. Decided to partner with the Council on pancake breakfast for River Days in 2022.

In 2023, wants to have a logo contest to allow more exposure of the OFLC Foundation. Hoping to become bigger. Working on more visibility.

Thanked Mark Nelson, Tom Lemich, Kathy Lunderby and excited to have Wendy Peterson-Bjorn. Also thanked all that have given to the Foundation.

Building & Grounds Report by John Gilb:

In 2022, new furnaces and air conditioner. New lighting in the sanctuary. Patched roof on north end.

In 2023, need to get very serious about what to do with the north end and we are running out of time. Looking for someone to spearhead a campaign to help get this project going. Getting quotes on sealing the parking lot. Spring cleanup day will be in April or May. Looking at sprucing up the landscaping.

OFLC Voting Items by Pam Hoekstra:

Constitution/Bylaws: Revised Constitution went out in December 2022. Constitution committee submitted to synod in September 2022 and approved by synod December 15, 2022.

Organized structure of the constitution so that amendments lined up with the by-law. Changes included layout of committee section to fit how OFLC functions today. Wrote it in such a way that council can decide when they need a committee for different items/events at OFLC and can determine when these committees start and end.

Pam asked for a motion to approve the revised constitution. Anthony Wold made a motion to approve the revised constitution, Wendy Gustafson 2nd the motion, Motion APPROVED. Voting in person held and 2/3 vote needed. Vote passed. 47 yes votes, 0 for no votes

OFLC Council Members:

President Appointment – Wendy Gustafson

Vice President – Shannon Sand (unopposed)

Secretary – Chandler Drummond (2nd Term) (unopposed)

At Large Positions – Dan Schiller (2nd Term) and Lauren Johnson (unopposed)

Nominations for Treasurer (No nominations were made)

Motion made by Wayne Olfert to approve new council positions, Seconded by Denise Wold.

Treasurer position is vacant and needs to be filled. Asked everyone to please consider this position or ask around to see who can share their gifts.

OFLC Foundation Board Members:

Becky Miller

Wendy Biorn

Diane Dorrel made motion to approve new OFLC Foundation positions. Sharon Thomas 2nd motion.
Motion APPROVED

Budget Options Information by Amy Krcil:

Option 1 – Keep the lights on at \$232,034 (2 votes)

Option 2 – Carry out our mission at \$304,635 (35 votes)

Option 3 – Dream Big at \$349,634 (9 votes)

Motion made by Brian Walton to approve the 3 options voting for the 2023 Budget, Barb Fuglie seconded the motion. Option 2 was the winner with 35 votes.

Closing prayer: Pastor Aaron Fuller

Motion made by Wayne Olfert to adjourn at 11:43am, seconded by Anthony Wold.