

November 2016 minutes

The November 8th meeting was called to order by Dennis. Present were Carol, Joel, Al, Sharyn, Wayne, Colleen, Dennis, Adam and Deb. Lindsey and Amanda were also present. Jay was absent. There were no guests.

There were no Thank you's. Sunny's retirement party was discussed and also the sermon given by Nicole. Both went well. Our mission statement was read in unison. The agenda was approved by a move by Adam and second by Al.

Linsey and Amanda gave us an update on Wednesday services. They are using them as a preach and teach opportunity with an emphasis on Luther's catechism in conjunction with the 500th anniversary of the reformation. The bulk of the learning is during the service which is for young and old alike. Paul Luder, Amanda and Lindsey will share sermon responsibilities.

Council breakfast is scheduled for November 20. Pancakes, sausage and fruit cocktail was the suggested menu.

Reports were accepted as submitted with a motion by Deb and a second by Joel.

Adam reported on our financials. It was moved to accept by Adam and second by Joel.

Adam updated the stewardship plan. It was decided to send out pledge cards in our Christmas mailing signed by Pastor Nirmala . Moved by Deb and seconded by Al. Deb will talk to Pastor Nirmala about this. Adam suggested we use an attainable number. Pete from synod suggested we hold off on implementing our stewardship drive until mid February.

Dennis reported on news on our revisioning plan. Nothing new at this time.

Shelly, Sunny's replacement is now working in the office with an hour or so overlapping Cheryl's hours.

A member suggested a congregation meeting to update all members on what the plans for the future are. We decided to not have any meeting at this time.

There were three families transferred this month.

We are in need of housing for our interim Pastor and are following a couple of leads on that.

We decided not to have a Christmas gathering of council members this year.

Council turnover for this year could be Dennis, Deb, Adam and Jay. We will replace Jay with the others staying on for another term.

Joel is to ask Paul Alberts to head an audit committee

Our December meeting will be December 13 with Adam doing devotions.

It was suggested that we replace the freezer in the kitchen since the one in there now runs constantly and is costly to run. We will discuss this with Kay Hodge and then go ahead with it.

Motion to adjourn by Adam, second by Al.

The Lords Prayer was said in unison as closing