

## McFarland Lutheran Church Council

Tuesday December 13, 2016

7:00 p.m.

### Agenda

#### 1. Call to Order

Called to order at 7:05 by Joe Schwartz

Members Present: Pastor Tim, Pastor Kelli, Joe Schwartz (Pres.), Carol Munch (V.P.), Tiffany Kvalheim (Sec.), John Berg, Randy Hansen, Norma Kohl, Brent Odell, Steve Schoch, Diane Wells, Sharon Mylrea.

Members Absent: Dave Nelson, Lee Thorson

#### 2. Devotion/Bible Study

Gospel of Luke Chapter 20 The Question About Rising From Death  
How does the resurrection promise change how we feel about or relationship God?  
Does this change our experience the world?

#### 3. Agenda review and changes

Properties report added to agenda.

#### 4. Treasurer/Finance Committee report (Brent Odell)

Mortgage:

Balance is \$1,447,528 (reduced by \$8,322 from Sept.)

In Nov. additional \$4412 was received for the building fund which went to reduce the principal on the mortgage. For FY 2016-17 an additional \$21,624 has been received for the building fund

#### Cash Balance and Church Giving:

Checking acct balance is \$15,735

Total Savings acct balance is \$486,559

Envelope/Offering Income: Amount received for Nov. was approx. \$50,000

Actual YTD total offerings received is \$219,361. This is below the budgeted YTD amount by approx \$20,000.

#### Income and Expenses:

YTD actual total income is \$434,975 up approx \$93,000 from last month, yet below budgeted amount of \$427,429. However, YTD income is more than income received last year at this time by approx. \$27,500.

Nov expenses were \$93,000 bringing YTD actual expense total to \$485,243.

Expenses exceeded income by approx. \$50,000, however expenses continue to be lower than budgeted for this time of year.

All committees and programs are operating consistent with budgeted amount

#### 4K Income and Expenses

Current 4K expenses are lower than income received to date from the school district

#### Pass Thru Summary

Designated and undesignated giving for Nov. totaled \$10,136. At this time, Pass Thru expenses are slightly lower than Pass Thru income by \$576

### **Memorials**

\$1,460 in memorials were received in Nov. bringing the YTD memorial amount rec'd to \$3,520

## **5. Pastors' reports**

### **Pastor Tim:**

~Advent: Final gatherings are Dec. 14th and 21st. We are thankful for all of the confirmation helpers.

~Christmas Services:

\*Christmas Eve services: 3:00, 5:00, and 9:00. Children's sermon is at the 3:00 and 5:00 services. All services are candlelight and communion services

\*Christmas Day: there will be both 8:00 and 10:00 services since Christmas Day is on a Sunday this year.

~Shout Out to Welcome Committee for writing wonderful welcome invitations to our less active members. Thank you, Brian Rodeck and Sandy Hall!

~150 year Celebration

\*Jan 7th and 8th is the Kick Off, brochure (year at a glance) will be available at that time.

\*Monthly Events: History highlights with Ron Larson kicking it off, Special hymn Sundays will begin Jan 15th.

~MLC Talent Show is Feb 25th

~Habitat Fundraising will happen in March. May 15th is when the first installment is due for the build (\$2500.00). Build start is weather dependent.

~Faith Formation:

\*Jan. will be a two week series on an ELCA approved document, "Declaration on the Way," that explains a consultation between the Roman Catholic and Lutheran churches. Highlights what we share in common.

### **Pastor Kelli:**

~Health and Social Wellness: Thank you to our generous congregation! You provided all 65 gifts for our giving tree! Our gifts, along with Christ the King's, provides gifts for 130 families!

~Sunday School Christmas program is this weekend

\*Rehearsal-Sat. Dec. 17th 10:00-noon

\*Program is Sun. Dec. 18th at 3:00 pm  
60-80 kids will be involved

~1st Communion (2nd and 3rd graders)

\*Class Options: Sat Feb. 11 or Sat Feb. 18, 9:30-noon

\*Receive on Sunday Feb. 19th at the 10 a.m. service

~Pastor Kelli is on vacation the weekend of Jan 15th

**6. Discuss Council retreat will be Saturday, January 28, 2017 (8:30am-3:30pm)**

No Council meeting on Tuesday January 24<sup>th</sup> (will be covered during the retreat)

- a. **Location:** Skaalen Village (Club House in McFarland 6054 Perrot Place)
- b. **Brainstorming session about topics.** Possibilities: getting to know each other better, review last year's accomplishments, look ahead 3-5 years, space management, how can CLM grow with the community.

**7. Other committee updates**

Trip to Uganda to put in Latrine; "Shooting for the Moon", located in Sesera where we helped with well and church.

\*Jan15th thru Feb 5th there will be fundraising effort. \$900 already donated.

Septic will be \$3000

\*Mission moment and advertising is upcoming.

\*This is done thru Hope For Kids, one of our mission partners

Motion to pass made by Norma Kohl and seconded by Carol Munch approved by all.

**Properties:**

Leak in Gathering Space roof: Committee is creating a large metal piece that will allow ice build up to safely slide to the ground.

Lighting for family life center will need only the cost of parts. Diane Wells friend, Dominic (professional electrician), is donating his time. Thank you, Diane and Dominic!

**8. Adjourn and Closing Prayer**

Motion to adjourn by Norma Kohl and seconded by Diane Wells approved by all at 8:15. Pastor Tim led closing prayer.

**NEXT MEETING: Saturday January 28th at Skaalen Village in McFarland**