

TLC Church Council Meeting
Transfiguration Lutheran Church
October 11, 2017

Attendees:

Council: Jim Stooke, Carol Hill, Sandy Mullen, Jerry Olson, Beth Mercer, Dick Haugen, Kim Smits

Staff: Pastor Ed Treat

Regrets: Laurel Riippa, Gary Lewis

Call to Order: 6:25 p.m. with quorum

Devotions: Kim Smits

Review and Approval of September 2017 Meeting Minutes: Kim Smits

A motion was made by Carol Hill to accept the September 2017 meeting minutes, seconded by Sandy Mullen. The motion was carried and approved.

Review and Approval of September 2017 Financial Report: Jerry Olson

- September receipts are \$13,000 less than expenses
- There is a \$98,000 deficit in our budget year to date
- 75% of the year has passed; 40% of benevolences have been paid
- Surplus in building fund is covering expenses and cash flow

A motion was made by Dick Haugen to accept the September 2017 Financial Report which was seconded by Beth Mercer. The motion was carried and approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Ed Treat

- Annual gathering of pastors at Cragun's - Next Bold Steps for the church
- Strategic planning process conversations
- Holy Land trip planning
- Stewardship Team – Celebrate Giving begins 10/22/17
- Liberia fundraiser on Thursday, 10/12/17
- Reformation Anniversary planning – October is Luther month
- 60th Anniversary celebration is November 5th
- Pastoral Care
- Marriage Counseling
- 2 Funerals, 3 Committal services
- Personnel Team working on job descriptions
- Shelly Smith's play at TLC – Body and Soul
- Arthur partnering with other church leaders for Respectful Conversations
- Small Groups launching in January 2018
- Recovery Yoga
- Request to Foundation to consider funding:
 - Bloomington Respectful Conversations
 - Center for Changing Lives Liberia
 - Video Equipment for sanctuary
 - Start-up costs of Stephen Ministry
- Pastors meet with coach monthly
- Conference for Opioid Addiction September 2018
- Three volunteer seminarians

Other Business:

- Little Free Library was donated to TLC

A motion was made by Sandy Mullen to request the Thursday Guys to add a steeple to the Little Free Library and install it outside the church, seconded by Carol Hill. The motion was carried and approved.

- Cross outside is bent and lights no longer work. Feasibility study needed to evaluate and price the work. Should the cross be moved to the other side of the church near the main entrance? Need a small group to take charge and inquire with the city.
- Strategic Planning Update - Future Directions Conference moved to 11/18/17

Adjourned: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sandy Mullen and seconded by Dick Haugen. The motion was carried and approved at 7:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Dinner: Sandy Mullen

Devotion: Laurel Riippa