

TLC Church Council Meeting
Transfiguration Lutheran Church
September 12, 2017

Attendees:

Council: Jim Stooke, Carol Hill, Sandy Mullen, Gary Lewis, Jerry Olson, Beth Mercer, Kim Smits

Staff: Pastor Ed Treat, Pastor Arthur Murray

Regrets: Laurel Riippa, Dick Haugen

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

Devotions: Sandy Mullen

Review and Approval of June 2017 Meeting Minutes: Kim Smits

A motion was made by Carol Hill to accept the June 2017 meeting minutes, seconded by Gary Lewis. The motion was carried and approved.

Review and Approval of June 2017 Financial Report: Jerry Olson

- August receipts lag July by \$15,000
- Disbursements are slightly under budget
- Benevolences are at 36%, and we are 66.6% through the year
- Line of credit has been repaid

A motion was made by Sandy Mullen to accept the April 2017 Financial Report which was seconded by Carol Hill. The motion was carried and approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Ed Treat

- Capital Campaign
- Repaid line of credit
- Working with Arthur and team of pastors on conference for opiate addiction next September, supported by Synod and Fairview
- Holy Land trip in January 2018
- TLC anniversary planning
- Two Boundary Waters trips
- Ed and Arthur working with clergy coach
- Marriage counseling
- Staff training on Servant Keeper (database)
- Six funerals, three weddings the last three months
- Pastoral care needs are high
- Neighborhood night out was a success even though it was inside due to rain
- Yoga Recovery outreach
- Blessing of the animals service was successful
- 5,177 views of the live streaming since January; 637 hours

Financial Development:

- Capital Campaign Update
- Discussion of campaign goal shortfall and implications for prioritizing funding
- 2018 Stewardship Campaign
- Timeline for 2018 budget preparation – council will review in November or December

Strategic Planning:

- Team Commission

A motion was made by Carol Hill and seconded by Gary Lewis to commission the Strategic Planning Team. The motion was carried and approved.

- Member Roster
- First Meeting is Monday, September 18th
- SP Church Structural Model
- Overview of Planning Process
- Future Directors Conference Saturday, October 28th
- Unexpected Church Trends
- ELCA Future Directions

Other Business:

- Suggestion Box at church where people can submit anonymously

Adjourned: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sandy Mullen and seconded by Jerry Olson. The motion was carried and approved at 7:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 10, 2017

Dinner: Jim Stooke

Devotion: Kim Smits