

BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

October 10, 2017 - 5:30pm

Kim Langbehn, Keith Olson, Donavan Rasmusson, Jill Fazio, Stefanie Gerhardson, Val Johnson, Darcy Koeckeritz, Glen Noyes, Tom Rasmusson, Marian Barry, Judy Bradow, Don Fick, Adrienne Miller, Mark Petersen
Also attending: Amy Fronning, Pastor Tom, Pastor Jake

Call to Order: Darcy Koeckeritz

Devotions: led by Pastor Tom

Open Forum Time: There is a buzzing noise on the radio broadcast - Ed Strand and Tom Rasmusson will look into it and report to the Music and Worship Committee

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve by Glen - 2nd Tom R, motion passed

Treasurer's Report: We are in better shape now than we were last year at this time - expenses are down

Comments from Pastors: Pastor Tom: Consecration Sunday is October 15th - finishing up vacation time for the year in October and attending a continuing education class on Mediation Skills for Pastoral Leadership in November - Deacon's Fund is depleted. Pastor Jake: has been serving as the music director for the join Lutheran/Catholic service in November - community meals with Augustana and downtown neighbors have gone well, looking for funds going forward - Conference Assembly.

Ministry Team/Committee Reports:

- **Mission Team**

Items for Business:

- **Report from the Personnel Committee:** Staff reviews will begin this month. Marc, Darcy and Glen along with the personnel committee will handle Pastor Tom's review
Action Item: Recommendation to select the staff health benefits plan for 2018 - Motion to approve
Kim - 2nd Stefanie, motion passed
- **Consecration Sunday - October 15th:** Guest preacher Pastor Peter Solie, brunch served after each service, pledge commitment cards during service
- **Building Project Updates:** Major projects are at or nearing completion

Announcements:

- Commitment Sunday for 2018 will be October 15th. Guest preacher will be Pastor Peter Solie
- "Renting Lacy" book discussion groups to be hosted here at Bethlehem Lutheran Church Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30pm and Thursday, October 26th at 11:30am
- Reformation Sunday, October 29. Regular worship services at 8:30 and 10:15. Mission Team will be serving a free will donation "Potato Bar" from 9am-12pm and at noon we will be showing the video "Luther and The Reformation" with Rick Steves
- "Lutherans and Catholics Together in Hope" Joint Worship Service, Sunday, November 5th at 3:30pm at OLV Catholic Church. Supper to follow, hot sandwich and beverages provided, bring a side dish to share
- WELCA Thank Offering Sunday, November 12th
- New Member Sunday, November 19th with Breakfast at Bethlehem

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, November 14th at 5:30pm

Adjournment

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2017

Lord's Prayer