

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 21, 2019**

After devotions, scripture and prayer by Pastor Sarah, the March 21, 2019 church council meeting was called to order by President Hal Clase.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Council reviewed minutes from the previous meeting. Esther Levering made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Claudia Fetter. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Penny Ward presented the February 2019 Financial Statement. Claudia Fetter made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Don Isler. Motion passed.

The first dividend check was received in the amount of \$3,225. Penny Ward made a motion to use a portion of this to pay off the remaining balance on the HVAC loan (\$3,142 loan amount minus \$577 HVAC giving's equals \$2,565 payoff). Seconded by Cheryl Wickersham. Motion passed.

Discussion on obtaining a Visa for church use. Todd Ward made a motion to get two cards: one for Pastor and one for church secretary Chris Seiter. Linda Lovell seconded. Motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Fresh Produce Distribution will be held on Friday, April 5th at St. Paul's Lutheran, Waldo. The donation requests are for cleaning supplies and toilet paper. Pastor Sarah will be taking a ServSafe Course on food safety.

The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Paul's Waldo on Saturday, April 27th from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The following people have requested membership transfer to our church: John Wasserbeck, Jakala Laipply and Lauryn Wasserbeck. Steve Andrews has requested membership release to Emanuel Lutheran, Marion and Judy Schofield to Trinity Lutheran, Marion. Don Isler made a motion to permit these transfers, seconded by Todd Ward. Motion passed.

The next council meeting will be on Thursday, April 25th at 7:00 p.m.

Savings Bank Annual Share Holders meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3rd in Circleville. Anyone can go. Let Hal Clase know if you plan to attend.

PASTOR'S REPORT

During church service on March 31st* we will receive into membership Jakala Laipply

and the Beineke family (Paul, Cheryl, Karis and Katie). Also on this day John and Lauryn Wasserbeck will be baptized.

**After council, the date was moved to April 7th.*

Karis Beineke and Lauryn Wasserbeck will receive their First Communion on Palm Sunday, April 14th.

The next Healing Service will be held on Thursday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

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The following midweek Lent service character portrayals were announced:

- March 27th – Kevin Emigh as *Simon Peter*
- April 3rd – Pastor Sarah as *Mary of Bethany*
- April 10th – Gary Crawford as *Simon of Cyrene*

Sign up for midweek Lenten meals is on the Family Board. Meal starts at 6:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. for choir members.

Palm Sunday - April 14th with procession of the palms. There will be extra palms available if a volunteer is interested in decorating with them. First Communion will be observed.

Thank you to Linda Lovell and Esther Levering for the cloth for the cross for Holy Week.

Rylea and Reghan Gist will be creating bulletin covers for the Holy Week services. Thanks girls for sharing your artistic gift!



Pastor Sarah is looking into texts/facebook posts during Holy Week which will follow the events of the Resurrection and Crucifixion.

Holy Week schedule as follows: (*All services will be held at St. Paul's*)

- Maundy Thursday - April 18th at 7:00 p.m. A Living Last Supper will be portrayed followed by Stripping of the Altar. Numerous volunteers are needed for this service, especially bearded men. A Thrivent grant is being used for costumes to be made by the women of the church.
- Good Friday – April 19th at 7:00 p.m.
- Easter Vigil – April 20th at 5:00 p.m. Pastor Adam Sornchai will preach, Pastor Sarah will lead the liturgy. Todd Ward has volunteered to maintain the fire. Skits will be performed by our youth.
- Easter Sunrise – April 21st at 7:00 a.m. followed by breakfast. Watch for a sign-up sheet for breakfast casseroles.

- Easter Day – April 21st at 10:30 a.m. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30 a.m. Eggs will be available on March 31st for those wishing to fill them for the egg hunt.

The 2019 Youth Mission Trip will be July 7-13. Youth will travel to NYC to work through the Youth Service Opportunities Project (YSOP). There are 38 participants (26 youth, 12 adults). The tentative itinerary is to serve through YSOP, stay at Hi New York (a hostel located near Central Park), boat around the Statue of Liberty and attend a Broadway show (*Wicked*). Travel will be by bus.

Mission trip fundraisers:

- Waldo Memorial Day Luncheon and Parade – Sunday, May 19th
- Father’s Day Sub Sale – end of May through beginning of June

Noisy can offerings will be on Sunday, March 31st and April 28th.

An Intergenerational Bowling event will be held at Bluefusion on Sunday, March 24th.

We continue our church theme *Year of Scripture*. Resources are available on the table in the educational wing and videos can be found on the church Facebook page.



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ELDERS REPORT

Linda Lovell has accepted the Elder position.

Claudia Fetter reported she did March shut-in visits and communion.

DEACONS REPORT

Nothing to report.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Spring clean up day for the church will be held on May 4th at 9:00 a.m.

PARISH BOARD OF EDUCATION

Nothing to report.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Esther Levering reported the Spring Assembly will be on April 6th in Attica.

The next circle meeting is April 9th.

May 5th at 5:00 p.m. will be Family Night with a New Orleans theme. Hal Clase made a motion to pay \$200 for the entertainer, seconded by Penny Ward. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The church website is up and running. Any suggestions/corrections can be taken to David Weichenthal.

The trash can area will be addressed this spring/summer. In the meantime, the trash cans should be kept on the grass.

Fourteen *Family of God* hymnals have been purchased.

Many thanks to all who helped with The Living Hope Ministry presentation on March 5th. A special thanks to Margaret Heimlich for all her work with this.

NEW BUSINESS

Hal Clase made a motion to allow Candy Klingel to use the church on Friday, May 17th at 10:30 a.m. for a Celebration of Life service for Dick Hickman. Seconded by Cheryl Wickersham. Motion passed.

The next council meeting will be Thursday, April 25th at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned with council standing and saying The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Talley, Recording
Secretary

PRESENT: Pastor Sarah, Hal Clase, Cheryl Wickersham, Claudia Fetter, Linda Lovell, David Weichenthal, Todd Ward, Don Isler, Penny Ward, Esther Levering, Bill Wickersham, Kelly Talley.

EXCUSED: Larry Reiff, Jeff Griffin, Bill Lichtenberger, Youth Deacon, Greg Price, Bob Wolf, Debb Crawford.