

Osseo Evangelical Lutheran Church Council  
Sunday, January 15, 2023

1. Meeting called to order by President Dennis Barka at 9:15am

Roll call- Molly Vold, Sheila Nelson, Ryan Olson, Don Erickson, Dennis Barka, Jill Welke, Pastor Terry Lorenz, Deb Gregory, Donna Fonner, Tony Bohlinger, Shannon Hasz, Emily Wilkinson

2. Devotions & Treats-Pastor Terry led devotions with a prayer of thankfulness
3. Topics of the day:
4. Secretary's minutes presented  
December 14, 2022-
  - **Motion made by Ryan to accept minutes as read. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deb. Motion passed.**

5. Staff reports

- **Administrator, Molly**

- Bills paid
- Financial report- December 2022

**\*\*Motion made by Shannon to accept reports. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sheila. Motion passed.**

- **Pastor's report**

- Special Gifts & Donations

\$25,000 gift received from a family trust. They have indicated they would like the money to be divided up in support of ministries in the church and community.

I have met with family to advise on how the gift will be distributed.

- O-F Thunder Supply Closet, \$5,000
- Navigators, ministry by Jenna Booth, \$1,400
- Sleep Heavenly Peace, \$5,000
- Youth Mission Trip (asp, etc.), \$3,000
- BWCA Canoe Trip, \$3,000
- Osseo Ministerial, \$5,000
  - Luther Park Scholarships, \$2,000
  - OELC Mini Pantry, \$600

-Drafting a proposal for a formula whereby gifts given to the church are divided to better cover needs in all areas. Example: 10% to general fund, 90% to otherwise designated area.

-Hallway lighting, still waiting for Osseo Electric.

-Walk behind Salter purchased - I did check into local salting and/or sanding costs. Our front lot would be about \$300 per application. I had Nikki & Carl pick up a walk behind spreader for \$135.

-Floor around drain in fellowship custodial closet. Cracked very badly, tripping hazard.

-Heat tapes on sanctuary eaves don't appear to be working. The south side has been loose since roof was re-shingled.

-OELC's webpage is being re-designed by volunteer Ali Glodowski.  
We're hoping for a re-launch in May or June.

- **Associate Pastor report**

- 5 middle school kids attended TGIF Christmas cookie baking & decorating. I'm planning a family game night at Boards and Bricks for February.

- 3 Senior high youth at last Sunday's movie night. I'm hoping to plan an out of town event for February.
- Next ASP meeting next Wednesday at 6:45; 3 boys signed up so far. I sent an email to youth and parents saying if there are any issues keeping youth from signing up, I need to know.
- In the past, Jon and Sharon Steinke and Chris and Mary Jo Halvorson have agreed to collaborate with me on a senior high program. I'm working to find a date to meet.
- Seven 4<sup>th</sup> graders were at the first of the 3-week First Communion Class. They will receive first communion on February 5<sup>th</sup>.
- I've created a Facebook closed group for prayer requests called Osseo Evangelical Lutheran Prayer group for people to share prayer concerns in a safe place, must be a member to participate.
- We've decided not to participate in the Lent round robin this year. I'll be preaching on Wednesday night worship service. Theme- Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi
- Dale Olson funeral January 7
- Homebound- one home visits done. Pigeon Falls NH this past Thursday, Dove NH this afternoon.

6. Committee reports/Ministry Report

- Nominating Committee- Dennis- Any more Council nominees? - Have 2 need youth and 2 more adults
- Stewardship/Financial committee- Dennis- Reviewed budget. Plan to pull the finance committee together one more time for presentation of budget at annual meeting.  
**\*\*Motion made by Donna to accept proposed budget. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sheila. Motion passed.**
- Other-

7. Old business:

- Annual Meeting reminders-Council serves coffee/ bring treats; new council meets immediately after to elect officers
- Super Bowl Sunday fundraiser- free will donation- take out- sign-up needed
- Other-Parsonage dishwasher is fixed & list made of repairs needed- Ryan

8. New business:

- 2023 Line of Credit Renewal (\$50,000)- need to approve- tabled until February
- Other- Leaky roof over bathroom discussed

9. DEVOTIONS & TREATS NEXT TIME- Donna

10. Emily adjourned with no objections at 10:30am

11. Adjournment of meeting with the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Jill Welke, Secretary