

Osseo Evangelical Lutheran Church Council

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

1. Meeting called to order by President Ryan Olson at 7:00pm

Roll call- Molly Vold, Ryan Olson, Don Erickson, Jill Welke, Pastor Terry Lorenz, Pastor Dave Hoadley, Deb Gregory, Shannon Hasz, Mark Hoffman, Marv McCune, Michael Scheller, Carissa Aplan, Mark Tlusty

2. Devotions and treats: Mark Hoffman- he gave his interpretation of John vs 8

3. Topics of the day:

-Constitution

-Fundraising

4. Secretary's minutes presented

April 12, 2023-

- **Motion made by Don to accept minutes as read. 2nd by Mike. Motion passed.**

5. Staff reports

- **Administrator, Molly**

- Bills paid

- Financial report

- Line of Credit discussion- council agrees to use as needed- Molly will inform council through email when she uses it

Motion made by Don to accept reports. 2nd by Mark T. Motion passed.

- **Pastor's report**

- Wednesday Worship, tonight's session was the last until this fall. The plan is to resume after Labor Day.

- We have a nice turnout of confirmation students this past year with having rec time, class, meal, rec time, worship as out Wednesday lineup.

- Black marks in parking lot were recorded by the security cameras. I turned it into the Osseo police chief.

- Boiler shutdown

-How about if we shut down both boiler rooms after this Sunday's service?

-It's something of a guess and we can always fire them up again, let's hope not...

- I'll be taking 4 days off next week but will be back in time for the May 21st service

- Sign on the East end of town-

-permission and permit acquired from Greg LaGare & City of Osseo

- Visitation report for this month- 23

- **Associate Pastor report**

- *We have a new participant on the ASP trip, Gavin Jeffers. Gavin went on the Boundary Waters trip last year. One person is still unsure if he can go, but we'll be okay either way.

- *We had a build day at Tony Bohlinger's last Saturday and built two picnic tables. A huge thanks to Tony for providing all the materials, his workshop, and his expertise! We're still deciding the best way to sell the tables.

- *Our assigned site is Magoffin County, Salyersville, KY, (east-central part of the state). Churches are confirmed in Lafayette, IN & Lexington, KY on the way out, Rockford, IL on the way back
- *13 youth & parents attended the bowling night at Wagner's. It was a great deal, everyone had fun, and the place treated us well.
- *Adopt-A-Highway is scheduled for Saturday. I've reached out to all middle school and high school students and families. I hope to get a few crews, and want to be able to shuttle people back to cars so they don't have to walk—Maggie has offered to move people and pick up pizza for afterward in Fellowship Hall.
- *Community Baccalaureate is confirmed with the school for Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00. I've been asked to organize scripture reading and prayers. I'll be asking some of our seniors to take part.
- *Senior Sunday is May 21. Summer schedule starts that day, and Quillos will be handed out during the 9:00 service. The junior class families seem to have the recognition brunch under control, but I don't know too many details. Vern said he's about done with the medallions he's making.
- *June 18—We'll have a 9:00 service @ OELC, which will include a sending service for the ASP trip. There is a 10:00 Community Worship @ Central Park led by Osseo UCC.
- We are scheduled to help at LMD food stand from 1:00-5:00 but the details are in flux.
- *I've been told that the Veteran's Memorial pavers are being installed soon. I believe our paver should be part of this installation.
- Naomi Bodway will be getting me a list of items for the playground renovation and we can decide as a council if we want to support this.
- A suggestion for next school year would be to support after-prom party.
- *We received an e-mail from an area contemporary Christian rock band offering a concert as they travel around the region in late July through mid-August. I listened to the music and it seems very good and professional. I sent the information to the Garber Bandshell Committee to see if they'd be interested, and they will discuss it (their schedule is pretty full for the summer). The band doesn't charge a particular fee, so we'd be able to do a free-will offering, though perhaps considering guaranteeing a certain amount would be a nice gesture.
- *I completed another cycle of home visits around Easter. I'll do another round in the next couple of weeks. I've been to baseball/softball games as weather has allowed, plus continued sending birthday cards.

6. Committee reports/Ministry Update

- Committee appointments
 - a. Christian education- Carissa- she plans on talking to Val to form a plan for the fall
 - b. Endowment- Ryan
 - c. Harvest supper- Deb
 - Action taken- Motion made by Deb for the Harvest Supper to be drive through only- no in house meals will be served. 2nd by Carissa. Motion passed.**
 - d. Evangelism- Michael
 - e. Property- Mark H.-chair, Ryan, Don
 - parsonage walk through
 - fixing leaks

- looking into water heater replacement
- planning on replacing sink, faucet & light
- f. Special gifts- Jill
- g. Staff support/personnel- Shannon

-Discussion was held regarding how best to offer Dan Newman time away from his organist duties while also providing for a substitute organist. We have the following options at this time: Cathy Hoadley may be able to cover some Sundays, another person may step forward and offer to play, or we can play recorded hymns from the Clavinova. The recording and playback feature of our new organ council has proven to be cumbersome to record, save, and playback. Pastor will talk to Dan regarding time off.

-Discussion was held regarding Molly having the option to use and track her vacation time by hours and days as needed. The council was in favor of letting her do this in order to accommodate a non-typical work schedule.

- h. Stewardship/finance- Michael, Shannon
- i. Worship- Donna, Terry, Dave
- j. Youth- Dave, Orion
- k. Food Pantry- Deb
 - talked to Peggy- items to meet basic needs; i.e., laundry soap, tooth brushes, soap, etc. are the most in demand. There was a donation to the pantry from St. Lukes.
- l. Vision- All

7. Old business:

- Temple talk- May 21 during 9:00 service- Sunday school is singing and graduating seniors are being recognized
- Pictures & Presentation of Council & Committees- Deb- committee pictures needed
- Date of Lorenz home visit- July 12
- Other

8. New business:

- General operation financial shortcoming- Molly- Line of Credit discussed above
- Google hours are not correct on webpage- Ryan will look into getting it corrected
- 2nd Annual meeting- June 4- ideas
 - provide a suggestion box, fundraisers?, Night in the Park?, Lake Martha Days food stand?, make church service appealing to Sunday school parents by splitting the service so children attend church for the first half of the service then move to classrooms with teachers; have a traditional & contemporary service each Sunday
 - bring up water heater at meeting to see if someone wants to donate to its replacement specifically
 - share talents of music when Dan is off

9. Devotions & treats for June-Shannon Hasz

10. Adjourned meeting with the Lord's Prayer

11. Ryan adjourned meeting at 8:45

Next meeting Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Welke, Secretary