

Bethel Lutheran Church Council Minutes-Draft

April 25th, 2025

Attendees: Randy Baskerville, Jill Duncan, Gary Helgemo, Jim Herr, Tom Hopper, Steve Horton, Sarah Manro, Steve Middleton, Mary Jo Mikulski, Jeff Reising, Linc Schneider, Harold Seamon, Annette Lang

Meeting was called to order at 6:31

Motion was made by Jim Herr to approve the minutes for March of 2025; motion was seconded by Mary Jo Mikulski; motion passed unanimously.

Finance Report- Harold Seamon

March revenue totaled \$72,811.69. This was a \$39,830 increase over our February revenue. Part of the reason for the increase was a \$20,000 gift that appears to be a semi-annual gift.

A proposed motion was made to accept the finance report for March, Gary Helgemo moved the motion, Steve Middleton seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Wes Wells is working to get a story board that was created posted in the Narthex for the congregation to see, this will be shared to help identify the goals for Bethel with Interim pastor.

The meeting with Pastor Dave Smith after the 8:45 service went well. Pastor Dave has an interest in being the interim pastor. For him to be hired will require approval from the church council. Pastor Dave will work as a supply pastor during the month of May, and his position will officially start June 1st, 2025.

A proposed motion was made to hire Pastor Dave Smith as interim pastor until a call for a permanent pastor can be hired. Motion was moved by Gary Helgemo and seconded by Steve Middleton; motion passed unanimously.

Next congregational meeting will be June 8th at 10:30. There will be one service at 10:30 and there will be no Saturday service. The fellowship committee will

supply the meat, and everyone is to bring a side dish to pass or a dessert for the event. The meeting will be held in the fellowship hall.

There are 3 openings on the church council that will be voted on at the congregational meeting. Jim Herr will work on forming a nomination committee.

The June council meeting is being moved to Thursday June 19th at 7:00pm. Council members leaving are required to attend the June meeting along with the new people elected to council.

Historical Room-Mary Jo Mikulski

May 4th will be the dedication of the new Historical Room between the services.

Missions-Randy Baskerville

The NALC convocation is coming up August 6th, Wednesday through August 8th, Friday and there are 4 lay delegate positions open to represent the church. Three people are going they are going they are Dee and Randy Baskerville and Gay Hanson. One spot is still available. The convocation is being held in Pittsburgh, PA.

Other Business

A motion was made to use the money from the Lenten service contributions be used to purchase window coverings for rooms 216 and 218. Motion was moved by Mary Jo Mikulski and seconded by Sarah Manro; motion passed unanimously.

Engagement Cards-Steve Horton

Steve is currently working with Holly to get all the appropriate information compiled and to get the information out to the appropriate people in charge of the various committees involved. Steve will be sending out reminders and deadlines for getting requests on the engagement cards.

Music-Linc Schneider

Linc will be combining services on Sunday and going to a single service on Sundays starting in mid-June.

The next council meeting for May is Tuesday May 20th at 6:30pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:35pm.