

## **Bethel Council Meeting Agenda**

**6:30 p.m. May 21, 2024**

**Approved June 18, 2024**

### **Attendance**

Pastor Dave Hill, Randy Baskerville, Gary Helgemo, Jim Herr, Steve Middleton, Tom Hooper, Mary Jo Mikulski, Jeff Reising, Linc Schneider, and Steve Horton and Jill Duncan. Absent Harold Seamon, Ros Demaree and Sarah Manro

### **Devotion/Opening Prayer**

The meeting was opened with a devotion and a prayer.

### **Approve Minutes, April 16 meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Gary Helgemo and second by Steve Horton.

### **Concrete work**

Since the last meeting, the Council voted and approved a motion via email to contract with Prater and Sons for \$9,094 to remove all concrete panels from the south end of the main entrance to the point north of the entrance where the pantry and handicap parking walk connect with each other. It will also include installing an ADA ramp at the entry curb to the front door for an easier drop-off point.

### **Financial Report**

Tom submitted the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Harold Seamon as he was on vacation. The report was approved 10-1 with a motion from Steve Horton and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jill Duncan.

### **Council Nominations**

Jim Herr has assembled a committee to nominate a member to fulfill the one vacant seat on Council for the upcoming Annual Meeting and vote. The committee will meet June 12 to secure this nomination.

### **July 13 Retreat Reminder**

President Jim Herr reminded council of the retreat on July 13 at place still to be determined. Hours are 8-4

### **Eagle Scout Project Request**

A request was submitted by Miles Robbins to work on an Eagle Scout project at Bethel that would consist of a community garden. The discussion centered around the difficulty of keeping the garden operating in future years. Several other ideas were suggested, such as a pickleball court, a sand volleyball court or a horseshoe pit. Jeff Reising will discuss it with Miles and get back to the council.

### **LCS Update**

Jeff Reising is in conversation with Legacy Preschool about next year and plans to meet after the Memorial Day holiday. The classes are filling up.

### **Scholarship Approval**

There are two scholarships available. The Phyllis Anderson scholarship is being awarded to Joe Jennings at worship on May 19. Gary Helgemo announced that the \$500 scholarship is being awarded to Adam Biddle.

### **Library**

Mary Jo Mikulski reported that the Women on Wednesday plan on cleaning up and straightening the Library in preparation for selling the contents at the Rummage Sale. It is not being used and has other things being dumped in the room so it was thought to get rid of the contents in this way.

### **Adjourn**

Steve Horton moved and Steve Middleton second a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Jo Mikulski

### May 2024 Ministry Reports

#### PASTOR DAVE'S REPORT

*For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6*

<u>APRIL</u>	<u>MAY</u>
<b>WORSHIP SERVICES &amp; FUNERALS</b> 8 Services (Saturdays/Sundays-Preaching/Assisting) Healing (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	8 Services (Saturdays/Sundays-Preaching/ Assisting) Healing (1 <sup>st</sup> )
<b>MEETINGS</b> Care Team (4) Office Staff (5) Executive Team (1) Church Council (1) Discovery Sessions (3) Heartland Mission District Zoom	Office Staff (4) Executive Team (1) Church Council (1) 6 Month Planning Discovery Final Session Care Meeting (Whole Team)
<b>PASTORAL CONTACTS/CALLS</b> Legacy (Weekly) Homebound Members (4) Families w/ Pastoral needs (3)	Legacy Homebound Members (4) Families w/ Pastoral needs (3)
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES</b> Bethel Bingo Bonanza	Assisted with Election Poll Station set up. Legacy year-end 16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> Art Event
<b>PERSONAL</b> + 30 <sup>th</sup> – B'day Celebration in Fellowship Hall	Chosen Study Assisted Mission Mechanical After Worship Reception for Ryan's Graduation

#### COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY, ROS DEMAREE

Work commenced, albeit slowly, on the annual report that is to be distributed at the June congregational meeting. Promotion for Bingo Bonanza was sent to Current in Noblesville, The Hamilton County Reporter and The Noblesville Times; posted in community calendars; posted on the public and member Facebook pages; and requested to be included on the electronic sign at Red Bridge Park in Cicero.

#### FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY, JIM HERR

We met on May 6 to finalize plans for Create with the Creator led by Susan Adda. We are very excited as we have room for 30 participants and have 28 signed up for the event on May 18. We discussed and finalized plans for the launch of the advertisement and promotion for the concert at the Farmhouse on Friday, June 21 with Rick, and Holly Garrett. We discussed some ideas around the picnic planned for July 21 around food and games.

**MUSIC AND WORSHIP MINISTRY, LINC SCHNEIDER**

Continue to encourage more volunteers in all areas of worship as a servant's heart brings much more in return. Working on different ways to present the same formats of the Lutheran Church, but more in line with themes of the bible studies and readings for the week with more of a flare at 5:30 and 11:11 services.

Continue to work on improving accuracy with slides and music/readings/liturgy. Ideally, would like to see more proactivity in changes verses same week. This causes more stress with the AV Team. The online music seems better balanced for the 11:11. It seems our resource needs revolve more around time to put together cool ideas versus monetary solutions.

Still working on how to get things done without having to participate musically all the time. Looking for a cantor for 1<sup>st</sup> Service on Sunday. Ryan Hill will be missed as he leaves to SD in many ways.

**PROPERTY, JEFF REISING**

Turnout

**SMALL GROUPS, TOM HOOPER**

Mark

**STEWARDSHIP, MARY JO MIKULSKI**

During

**YOUTH MINISTRY, SARAH MANRO**

Midweek Group will meet until the end of May and take the summer off from weekly meetings. We will plan a couple fellowship activities for June and July and start Midweek Group back up in August.

I am working with the Helgemos and Pastor Doug to get Confirmation classes going again this fall. We have a list of a dozen or so potential participants. Instead of just focusing on middle school ages we are offering it for anyone 6th grade and up.