

As servants of Christ we are leaders by example, encouraging spiritual growth in each other, in our congregation, and in the community.

Council Minutes – Unapproved

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenters</u>
Call to Order; Roll Call; Devotions	All
Scott Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Pastor David read Psalm 100 and then we each identified experiences to celebrate. Scott Perkins, scholar and musician, shares that celebration is a discipline that can have many positive results e.g. Celebration releases stress, provides motivation, recognizes excellence, shows appreciation and acceptance, builds energy, and provides a time of reflection. Celebration is a moment that will result in reminding us of the good things that happened.	
Approve Agenda, Secretary and Treasurer Reports;	
M/S/C to approve agenda. M/S/C to approve minutes from November 10, 2016. M/S/C to approve the attached Treasurer Report.	
Reports:	
Pastor David Krinke reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Red Cross Blood Drive - A successful community outreach. Special thanks to Laurie Anderson-Wilson.• Visitation Team – There is a group of about eight that visit members who are homebound or in a care center which results in beautiful ministry.• Nominating Committee – thanks for hard and creative work.• Welcome Cards - Pastor and Adult Catechism recently distributed welcome cards to new members of the community.• Stewardship Team – thanks for coordinating the fall drive and Celebration Sunday.• Electronic thermostat - The question if one is needed in the original narthex will be referred to property committee.	
Ashley Corbett reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10 – 13 students are registered for next summers’ mission trip as well as a male chaperone.• Baking and lefse making will happen this weekend• Board book bibles are available to be given to families at the time of baptism.	
Unfinished Business	
After discussion, the A/C unit replacement will continue to be reflected in the budget as a property expense as noted last month.	
Council approved the proposed 2017 budget which will be presented for approval at the annual congregational meeting next month.	
New Business	
Facility Requests approved - December 31, 7am – 4pm Tom and Christine Ersland - fellowship hall; December 10, morning hours Joe Johnson, Brotherhood - kitchen.	

Camp Wapo contribution from the congregation next year will be \$600.

Confidence monitor – quote from Sim Sound is \$3,480.20. Additional investigation into the cost along with consideration of additional bids will be done.

Snow plow quote for 2016/17 is: Pickup \$80 per hour, loader with snow pusher \$160 per hour, Motor grader \$145 per hour. M/S/C to accept the bid.

Council yearly planner –A Council and Executive Planning Calendar prepared by Carol Copley was reviewed and will be very useful for future reference and planning purposes.

Changes in financial reports – Scott reviewed changes to the column headers of the monthly financial report.

As mentioned during a previous meeting, there is an opportunity for Lands to coordinate parking during the Goodhue County Fair, August 8 – 12th. The hours are from 8am until 10pm every day the fair is open. High volume days/nights may need up to 20 people parking cars and the earning would be \$4,000. Bretta will help facilitate the schedule. M/S/C to inform the Fair Board that Lands accepts this opportunity.

Committee Reports:

- Congregational Life – Marie Torkelson: 150th planning continues and is making great progress.
- Education – Tara Plank: n/a
- Evangelism – Mary Ehrich: Christmas cards from Ole are being sent to shut-ins and cookies and visitation are planned for nursing home residents.
- Property – Jeff Strickland: Although Jeff was not available; Scott Jensen shared information from Betty Bailey regarding a congregational quilt created many years ago. A permanent vs temporary display during 150th anniversary was discussed and further information will be sought.
- Stewardship – Bretta Damson: intent cards have been distributed.
- Worship – Connie Rude:
 - December 18th, Christmas Program
 - December 24th, Christmas Eve worship 4:00pm and 9:00pm
 - December 25th, Christmas Day worship 10:30am (one service)
- Youth – Chris Hawkins: Ashley reported that Youth Super Night will be planned for March and a tubing or ski day with all invited may occur.

Next Meetings:

- Executive Board – Virtual
- Church Council – Tuesday, January 10, 2017 @ 6:30 pm.
- Annual meeting date is January 22.

Adjourn: M/S/C to adjourn at 8pm

The Lord's Prayer

Council Members

Scott Jensen	President	X
Aaron Berg	V. President	0
Jan Befort	Secretary	X
Mike Nord	Treasurer	X
Mike Boraas	Council at Large	X
Cara Utley	Council at Large	0
Marie Torkelson	Congregational Life	X
Tara Plank	Education	0
Mary Ehrich	Evangelism	X
Jeff Strickland	Property	0
Bretta Damson	Stewardship/Missions	X
Connie Rude	Worship	X
Chris Hawkins	Youth	0
David Krinke	Pastor	X
Additional Attendee(s):		
Ashley Corbett	Facilitator of Family Ministry	X

X = Present, 0 = Absent

Respectfully submitted, X

Jan Befort, secretary