

St. Luke's ELT Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2020

Members in attendance: Dave Hoag, Jerry Blessing, Jerry Neumann, Keith Cook, Nate Breyer, Rebecca Stork, Vickie O'Connor, Dennette Church, and Dan Weber. Also present: Jonathan McVety.

After Jerry Neumann opened the meeting with prayer, the September meeting minutes were approved.

Financial Review

September Result:

Total Expenses landed -12.0% under budget // 2.7% above last year

Total Income: -15.9% Below budget // -14.9% below last year

Offerings & Gifts landed 2.9% above budget and grew 4.4% vs last year

NET INCOME for the month showed a Loss of -\$15,842.58 after mortgage principal pmt

YTD (July - September)

YTD Total Expenses stand -16.3% under budget // -8.5% under last year

Total Income stands -13.5% below budget // -13.9% below last year

Offerings & gifts trending 2.01% above budget // 3.89% above last year

YTD NET INCOME running above budget after mortgage principal pmt

Operations Report

Jonathan presented an operations report. Highlights include the hiring of a new teacher for childcare. Offering and gifts are up over last year. The use of Curacubby for online school payments has led to virtually 100% on-time tuition payments. School theme is "Jesus is our superhero" and the theme verse is Joshua 1:9. Spiritual Planning Questionnaire sent home to families had 100% response rate. Parents are interested in integrating prayer and study at home. Security cameras that cover the Childcare/Malkow Hall parking lot and playground are now in place.

Foundation Report

Treasurers Report-September

- Endowment Account - \$43,253.69
- Capital Account - \$2688.95
- Ministry & Mission - \$408.87
- Scholarship Fund - \$3773.02

Total - \$50,124.53

Includes Interest - \$6.15

Deposit was made today (10/8/20) – In Memory of Trellis Kreshel \$1358.00

It is being explored again to find investment funds that are safe yet have better earnings. This suggested by Dave Ramsay.

Scholarship Discussions

Per Pastor Dan's suggestion the scholarship fund will be known as "Church Worker Development Fund." This fund will include scholarships to those pursuing a career in full time professional church work who are members in good standing/or in process of doing so at St. Luke's. This fund will also be used for: those who have education loan balance and recruitment activities. Such studies include:

- Lutheran School teaching studies
- Pastoral studies
- Career missionary studies
- Director of Christian Education studies
- Full time worship services leader studies
- Deacon and Deaconesses studies

These distributions are to be approved by lead pastor and the Foundation Board.

All Saints Sunday

Julie Kinzner will speak on behalf of the foundation on All Saints Sunday. She was selected to give a new and refreshing impression of the Foundation.

A letter regarding the Church Worker Development Fund will be mailed and emailed out shortly after this Sunday to all members. Dave Ramsay and Ky Hopewell outlined a message

Lay Ministers Report

Working to find someone to head Prayer ministry. Working to present Marriage Ministry proposals to Pastor Dan.

Pastor Report – Dan Weber

Circuit/District Business:

Motion 1: The District convention (Scheduled for this June, though it seems unlikely to happen due to COVID-19) needs us to elect one pastoral and one lay delegate, as well as one alternate for each position. This form needs to be submitted to Portland by December 17, 2020.

- a. Pastoral Delegate: Dan Weber
- b. Lay Delegate: Charlotte Weber
- c. Pastoral Delegate Alternate: Aaron Bird
- d. Lay Delegate Alternate: Jerry Blessing

Motion: Dan Weber

Second: Vickie O'Connor

Approved

Motion 2: We are able to nominate candidates for District President, 1st Vice President, and Regional VP. That form is also due by December 17.

- a. District President Nominee: Paul Linnemann
- b. 1st Vice President Nominee: Jonathan Dinger
- c. Regional Vice President Nominee: Brad Malone

Motion: Dan Weber

Second: Keith Cook

Approved

Motion 3: We need to elect a lay representative to vote at our Circuit Forum (to be held in January, likely on Zoom) to elect the next Circuit Visitor.

- a. Pastoral Delegate: Dan Weber
- b. Lay Delegate: Keith Cook
- c. Circuit Visitor Nomination: Samuel Schuldheisz of Beautiful Savior, Milton

Motion: Dan Weber

Second: Dave Hoag

Approved

Church update:

Check-ins for worship are generally trending upward. Our highest number so far is 151 in person on 9/27 with an additional 54 online check ins for a total of 205 for worship.

Bible Study updates include 10 families participating in an on-site pilot group, 16 families participating on Facebook live, and 20 people signed up for our next round of small groups.

Other highlights include the creation of the prayer path, Faith @ home kits handed out to 22 church families and 18 school families, and the Poetry Night with 19 households representing 57 people plus the youth group attending. Prayer Shawls and The Needlers 51 quilts, 32 blankets, and 40 hats have been delivered. Preparations are underway for online confirmation classes, and the upcoming sermon series is "One Foundation."

Closed in Prayer by Dan Weber.

Next Meetings: Monday, November 16, 2020 @6pm

Respectfully submitted by Rebecca Stork