

# BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

February 12, 2019 - 5:30pm

Marian Barry, Don Fick, Adrienne Miller, Jeff Hatlewick, Lynn Johnson, Kim Langbehn, Joyce Peterson, Ryan Anderson, Val Johnson, Julie Nelson, Jenna Noland, Glen Noyes, Tom Rasmusson  
Additional attendees: Pastor Tom, Amy Fronning, Pastor Jim

**Call to Order:** Glen

**Open Forum Time:** Ardyce Fjestad - WELCA requesting \$1,500 from Thrivent

**Welcome New Members and Introductions**

**Secretary's Report:** Motion to approve by Jeff - 2nd by Tom, passed

**Devotions:** led by Pastor Tom

**Comments from Pastor:** Appreciation for Pastor McCracken as part-time interim pastor. Anna Gervais will be working with the Sr High youth.

**Treasurer's Report:** Given by Amy. We had a very positive January with offerings exceeding expenses by over \$8,000.

**Items for Business:**

- Action Item: Election of Church Council Officers and approval as signers for bank accounts. A motion by Glen, 2nd by Lynn to elect the following slate of officers for 2019, passed.
  - President/Chair: Mark Petersen
  - Vice President/Vice Chair: Jeff Hatlewick
  - Secretary: Val Johnson
  - Treasurer: Kim Langbehn

The elected officers: the President of the council Mark Petersen, Vice President Jeff Hatlewick, and Treasurer Kim Langbehn and the following staff members: Thomas Peterson and Amy Fronning, are authorized to sign the following bank accounts at Bank of the West, 972-002331 and 972-005623 and the account at Security State Bank 931 1014460.

- Thrivent Fund Request: Val made a motion to give \$1,500 of Thrivent Funds to WELCA, 2nd by Julie, passed.
- Discussion: Partnership with the 5 ELCA churches in town for a round-robin of hosting for Wednesday worship services during Lent. Communication regarding the location of each service will be abundant.
- Update: on the status of the Director of Faith Formation position. Position is posted numerous places, one application has been received.
- Action Item: Request from Worship & Music Team to move to one Sunday morning worship service at 9:00am for the summer. The first, third and fifth Sundays will be Traditional, the second and fourth Sundays would be worship team led - with the exception of July 14th (Worship Team is at Phelps Mill). Would return to current worship schedule the Sunday after Labor Day. Motion made by Jeff, 2nd by Jenna, passed.
- Action Item: Discussion and plan for the Associate Pastor Position. Don made a motion to pursue hiring an associate full-time pastor, 2nd Jeff, passed.
- Church Council retreat will be planned for April, possible topics include the associate pastor call.

**Announcements:**

- No Sunday School February 17th
- Ash Wednesday - March 6th, worship services at 12:10pm and 6:30pm, soup lunch following noon service and soup supper at 5:30pm. This will be a fundraiser for the youth.
- Bethlehem Family Event - Snow Tubing at Andes Sunday, March 3rd from 11:30am-4:00pm. Bring your own lunch.

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, March 12th at 5:30pm at Bethlehem

Adjournment: Motion by Don - 2nd by Glen, passed

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2019

Lord's Prayer