

BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

March 13, 2018 - 5:30pm

Val Johnson, Tom Rasmusson, Marian Barry, Judy Bradow, Don Fick, Adrienne Miller, Mark Petersen, Jeff Hatlewick, Lynn Johnson, Joyce Peterson
Also attending: Amy Fronning, Pastor Tom

Call to Order: Val Johnson

Open Forum Time: Mark Peterson - update on disability pads on doors, emergency preparedness planning and door control remote training

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve by Lynn - 2nd Tom R, passed

Treasurer's Report: presented by Amy. We did not have a good February - both offerings and attendance were down.

Devotions: led by Pastor Tom

Comments from Pastors

Items for Business:

- Generational Update: Pastor Tom (book "Sticking Points")
- 3 delegates needed for NW MN Synod Assembly, June 8-9 in Moorhead - will send Mark, Adrienne and Marian
- Worship & Music Team: Discussion about going to one service in the summer - the congregation will be surveyed and the results will be used by the Music & Worship team to make a recommendation to Council regarding summer Worship
- Update about Pastor Tom's Sabbatical - discussion regarding lifting the 9 month lead time for pastoral sabbaticals
Tom R made a motion to waive the 9 month lead time policy - 2nd Joyce, passed (Will now go to the Personnel Committee)

Announcements:

- Wednesday Lent services continue through March 21. Worship at 12:10pm and 6:30pm, soup lunch to follow noon service and soup supper at 5:30pm
- 4th & 5th Grade First Communion, Sunday, March 18th at the 10:15am worship service
- Bethlehem is hosting the WELCA Conference 7 Spring Gathering on Monday, April 9 at 4:30pm. There will be dinner and a speaker. The guest speaker will be Taunya Todd "Dispatched: First Responder Friends." The cost is \$10, registration deadline is March 23, sign up in the church office
- Holy Week Worship Schedule
Maundy Thursday, March 29 and Good Friday, March 30 - services at 12:10 and 6:30pm
Easter Sunday, April 1, services at 6:30am, 8:30am and 10:15am
Easter Breakfast served from 7-10am
- Volunteers needed to deliver Meals on Wheels, April 2-6, contact Barb Welle if you are willing to help, 736-6561
- Council Strategic Planning Retreat, Tuesday, April 10th from 5:30-8:30pm. Supper will be provided

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, April 10 at 5:30pm at AgCountry Farm Credit, 311 N Tower Rd, in front of Fleet Farm

Adjournment: Motion by Don - 2nd Judi

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2018

Lord's Prayer