

BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

October 8th, 2019 - 5:30pm

Marian Barry, Judy Bradow, Don Fick, Adrienne Miller, Mark Petersen, Jeff Hatlewick, Lynn Johnson, Joyce Peterson, Val Johnson, Julie Nelson, Jenna Noland, Tom Rasmusson
Additional attendees: Pastor Tom, Amy Fronning

Call to Order: Mark

Open Forum Time: n/a

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

Treasurer's Report: presented by Amy, congregation members are more current with pledges than in previous years, the general fund is healthy with a balance of \$65,000

Devotions: Pastor Tom, parable of the talents

Comments from Pastor: Possible uses for the general fund surplus (changing tables, Otter Cove donation, church bus, Stephen Ministry, Seminary Students...Announce in church and set a deadline for submission of details)

Items for Business:

- Personnel Committee - Action Item: Recommendation from the Personnel Committee for the selection of 2020 Staff health Benefits plan, continue with Gold + plan. Motion by Val to accept the recommendation - 2nd by Judy, passed
- Call Committee Update: Report from the Call Committee (Jeff) on how the listening sessions went this past Sunday. Council will approve the Ministry Site Profile (via email or meeting) when it is ready.

Discussion Topics:

- We are hosting "Pie with the Bishop" Sunday, November 3rd from 2:00-3:30pm. We need 4-5 volunteers to set up, serve and clean up (Marian, Julie, Tom R, Adrienne, Joyce). (Serving pie and coffee, cider and water)
- Continued discussion - Seminary Student support for the coming year 2020

Announcements:

- Mission Team organizing a Habitat for Humanity Work Day, Saturday, October 12th from 10am-2pm, talk to Rud Wasson or Dave Nycklemoe if you can help
- Mission Team Potato Bar Fundraiser Sunday, October 13th from 9:30am-12pm
- Please update your information for the new church directory if you haven't done so already. Visit our website at www.bethlehemff.org, or stop in the Narthex this coming Sunday, October 13th and fill out a form and have your picture taken
- Family Bowling Sunday, October 13th from 12-2pm - meet at Northern Aire Lanes
- No Wednesday youth activities (Confirmation, 4:6 and senior high youth group) October 16th and no Sunday School Sunday, October 20th due to MEA break
- Consecration Sunday, October 27th - brunch between services. Guest Preacher Pastor Laurie Natwick (Volunteers: Mark)
- Pie with the Bishop - Sunday, November 3rd from 2-3:30pm. We are hosting for conferences 7 & 8. Meet and greet with the new NW MN Synod Bishop Tesch

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

Adjournment: Motion by - 2nd by , passed

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2019

Lord's Prayer

