

# BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

November 12, 2019 - 5:30pm

Don Fick, Adrienne Miller, Mark Petersen, Jeff Hatlewick, Lynn Johnson, Joyce Peterson, Ryan Anderson, Val Johnson, Jenna Noland, Glen Noyes, Tom Rasmusson

Also attending: Amy Fronning, Pastor Tom

**Call to Order:** Mark

**Open Forum Time:** JoEllen & Norma representing WELCA - presentation on chairs for the Fellowship Hall

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

**Treasurer's Report:** presented by Amy - we have a healthy general fund budget, the finance committee is meeting soon to look at the 2020 budget, we have received more pledge cards this year than last for a higher total dollar amount pledged

**Devotions:** Pastor Tom

**Comments from the Pastor**

**Items for Business:**

- Discipleship Team - Action Item: request to purchase four Koala Kare baby changing tables for bathrooms in the church. Cost for four tables is \$850, to be paid from the Parish Ed Restricted Account 800.400.00, motion by Val - 2nd Glen, passed
- Property & Management and Christmas Decor Committee - Action Item: request to purchase a new Christmas Tree for the Sanctuary, cost \$550, motion by Glen for funds up to \$600 - 2nd Joyce, passed
- General Consent Item: Request to Bethlehem Lutheran Church to receive a designated donation

**Discussion Topics:**

- Presentation about new chairs for Fellowship Hall, will be put on the agenda for December's meeting
- Call Committee Update, Ministry Site Profile and Summary have been submitted to the Synod
- Continued discussion - ideas/suggestions for end of the year surplus: Pay if Forward Event (example from Ohio congregation), GriefShare Grief Support Group materials

**Announcements:**

- The SS kids will sing at the 10:15am worship service, November 17th
- Thanksgiving Eve joint ELCA Worship Service, Wednesday, November 27th at 6pm at First Lutheran Church, dessert and fellowship to follow. There will also be a joint ELCA choir at this worship service, all are welcome to come and sing with the choir. Rehearsals will be Wednesday, November 20th at 7:30pm and November 27th at 5pm before the service - both at First Lutheran
- Meals on Wheels drivers needed the week of November 25-29, if you are able to help please call Barb Welle at 736-6561
- No Wednesday youth activities (confirmation, 4:6, and senior high youth group) November 27 and no Sunday School Sunday December 1st due to the Thanksgiving Weekend
- Concordia Christmas Concert, Sunday, December 8th at 2pm. Cost is \$22 per person. Sign up in the church office, tickets are limited
- Please update your information for the new church directory if you haven't done so already. Visit our website at [www.bethlehemff.org](http://www.bethlehemff.org)

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, December 10th at 5:30pm at Bethlehem

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

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2019

Lord's Prayer