

URLC Church Council Meeting

March 19, 2018

Minutes prepared by Linda Herrick

Present: Roger Rueckert, Pastor Marggi, Mary Ayen, Alex Moreno, Ron Gabrielson, Linda Herrick, Willie Rauen, Tony Stensland, Laurie Copeland

Absent: Joan Hendrickson

Item	Discussion	Action
Prayer to open meeting	By Pastor Marggi	
Approval of Agenda	No additions to the agenda	Motion: to approve agenda as presented. By: Mary Ayen Second: Ron Gabrielson Motion Passed
Public Comments	No comments.	
Approval of Minutes February 2018 (2/15) council meeting	Corrections and additions: None	Motion: to approve the council minutes as written. By: Tony Stensland Second: Willie Rauen Motion Passed
Financials-Treasurer's report and bill approval	Balances are incomplete due to the computer being down. February income and expenses will be reviewed in detail at the next meeting. 3R Loan amount: Unable to be completed due to computer being down.	Motion: to approve the treasurer's report and bills, By: Ron Gabrielson Second: Tony Stensland Motion Passed
Youth Report Financial Review January and February	The January and February Youth Report Financials were reviewed.	No action.
Pastor Marggi's report	Vacation (May 24-June 3) Mission trip to Guatemala – part of role as pastor. Holy week service schedule – Last Wednesday Lenten service is March 21. Maundy Thursday –1:30 pm and 6:30 pm. (First communion for 5 th Graders) Good Friday service – 6:30 pm. Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30a.m. Youth sponsored Easter breakfast – 7:00am. Sunday service on Easter; 8am and 10:30am Christmas week service schedule 12/23 One service on 9:30 a.m. proposed – no Sunday School 12/24 Two services (Monday) 4 p.m. and 10 p.m. 12/25 One service 9:30 a.m. New member recognition (April 8) About 10-12 new members coming in. Not all may be able to be here April 8.	

	<p>The Singing in the Spring event is April 15 from 3-6 p.m.</p> <p>Four different groups will be singing. Hors d' oeuvres and wine and beer will be available. Tickets are \$50/person. Proceeds will go to 3R. Bridgette's catering will take care of the insurance related to the alcohol. People are needed to set-up, take-down, servers, etc. People are encouraged to donate wine, beer, other beverages to help cut costs.</p>	
<p>President's Report</p>	<p>April 16 retreat agenda – will be held at Willie Rauen's home. We will start at 5:30 with a regular meeting followed by the retreat. The address is: 1200 Jefferson Drive, Zumbrota, MN</p> <p>People are to bring hors d' oeuvres to pass and their own beverage. The agenda for the retreat was reviewed.</p> <p>2018 Church Council guidelines were reviewed.</p>	<p>The agenda for the retreat was reviewed and no changes were made to it.</p>
<p>Committee Reports</p>	<p>Staff report – Ron Gabrielson – no report. Currently meeting with people. Information and policies related to child protection were noted.</p> <p>Mission/Evangelism – Joan Henriksen - absent</p> <p>Property Management – Tony Stensland – Bell tower – getting quotes for the tower or a pedestal for the bell. Organ – getting quotes to refurbish it. The furnace that heats the upstairs needs to be replaced in the next year or two. Getting quotes from several dealers. Signage – A proposal has been developed. There is interest in an electronic sign.</p> <p>Worship – Mary Ayen – Preparing for Easter. Cheryl B has developed a website where communion assistants can sign-up. They hope to add readers and ushers to the website.</p>	

	<p>Youth & Family Ministry – Willie Rauen – Cindy reported her emphasis is working on cinnamon rolls. Easter breakfast is being planned. Working on Sunday School projects that will end the end of April</p> <p>Social Ministry – Alex Moreno - no report at this time.</p> <p>Adult Education – Linda Herrick Programs are planned and alternative programs are available</p> <p>Trust Fund – Willie Rauen – no report at this time.</p> <p>Project 3R – Lori Copeman – no report at this time.</p>	
Old Business		
Wedding and funeral charges and or guidelines	<p>Executive Council recommends a payment of \$40/ event for custodial services for weddings and funerals. Pastor and organist can be worked out as it has been by the funeral home. This custodial fee would be added to the list at the funeral home.</p> <p>After a motion of \$40 / event, and significant discussion, the motion failed and a motion for \$50 / event was made and passed.</p> <p>Pastor Marggi noted that some people are no longer using a funeral home for cremation and services. She is being asked directly to conduct the funeral and then has the responsibility to line up other services that are typically covered by the funeral home. She will work on a brochure to outline costs for the pastor, organist, custodial, WELCA, etc. and which services will not be covered.</p>	<p>Motion: To pay \$40 to custodians per wedding or funeral. By: Roger Reuckert Second: Linda Herrick Motion Failed</p> <p>Motion: To pay \$50 per wedding or funeral. By: Willie Second: Ron Motion Passed</p>
New Business		
All Committee Meeting.	<p>Roger outlined the format of the All Committee Meeting. Leah will review the committee guidelines. April 25th was set as the tentative date with a 6:30 start time.</p> <p>Please make sure the committee members are correct on the list and let Roger know if there are changes.</p>	<p>Motion: To have the All Committee Meeting April 25th at 6:30 p.m. By: Mary Second: Willie Motion passed.</p> <p>Council members need to review committee membership and let Roger Reuckert know of any changes before the All Committee Meeting.</p>
Church Facility rental policy and form	The Contract for Use of Facilities was noted and reviewed.	

<p>2018 calendar approval</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Bible school b. Block party c. Single service Sundays (2017) (Time of service 9:30am) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. New Year's (December 31, 2017) ii. Memorial Day (May 27) iii. July 4th (July 1) inside/outside iv. Labor Day (Sept 2) inside/outside v. Rally Sunday (Sept 16) outside vi. Thanksgiving (November 25) vii. Christmas (December 23) viii. New Year's (December 30, 2018) d. Office closing dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. New Year's Day ii. President's Day iii. Easter Monday iv. Memorial Day v. July 4th vi. Labor Day vii. Thanksgiving eve (half day) viii. Thanksgiving Day ix. Christmas Eve x. Christmas Day xi. New Year's Eve (half day) 	<p>Motion: Single service as designated on the agenda with July 4th (July 1) inside and Labor Day (Sept 2) outside. By: Laurie Second: Tony Motion Passed</p> <p>Pastor Marggi will add the single service dates and the dates on which the office will be closed to the calendar.</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Next council meeting – Monday April 16 @ 5:30pm</p>	<p>Motion: to adjourn By: Linda Herrick Second by Willie Rauen Motion Passed Adjourned by President Roger Rueckert at 7:27 p.m.</p>