

Bethel Lutheran Church Congregational Meeting Minutes February, 4, 2018

Members Present: quorum was present 102 members signed in

Meeting start: 12:08 PM

Topic	Discussion	Action
Devotion: Opening Prayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastor Ben 	
Meeting minutes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes from previous Congregational (August 20, 2017) meeting approved. 	
Pastor's Report: Pr. Ben	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • Pastor said that we need to pay attention to who we are and what we do and value. • • Our core values are: Hospitality to all, Christ Centered Community, Spiritual Growth and Discipleship , Generosity, and Responding to Needs • • At the last meeting we talked about the lack of youth and young adults with regards to the book: Growing Young <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unlock keychain leadership 2. empathize with today's young people 3. Take Jesus' message seriously 4. Fuel a warm community—we need to focus on this one especially. 5. Prioritize young people and young families everywhere. 6. Be the best neighbors • Year in review slide show • Thank you for the opportunity to serve Bethel. 	
Ministry Reports: Sue Lampkin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sue Lampkin shared with the congregation that she was so very impressed with the number of ministries there were to participate in with Bethel and with the fact that such a vast number of people were involved. 	
School Report: Dawn Debois-Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love in Action is the focus of the year. • John 3:18 Little children, let us love in deed and in truth and not merely talk about it. • We want active learners • We have introduced college and career projects • We are participating in the Scripts spelling bee. • We are developing Christian leaders and participants in our community: paint and pinot, trunk or treat, Thanksgiving lunch, chili cook off and family game night plus silent auction. 	

Business Report and Finances: Dave Larsen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$15,000 ahead 	
Quick Hits Tom Hoegle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering Houston, TX June 26-July 2 • 6 of our youth are singed up to go already • Needs: Fix shed in back. • Finish walkway • Torvend Hall • Common Ground begins soon. 	•
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tom McAvoy introduced election of new council members: Dave Larsen approved with only one ney by Dave Larsen himself. • Robyn Winegardner approved • President Elect - open • Project Manager advisor - open • Youth- open • Dorothy Meyer Award for Joyful Service: Mark Evashenk 2017 • New President of council: Sam Sudarsanam who shared a verse from Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligence rely not; In all your ways be mindful of Him, and he will make straight your paths. 	•
Nominating Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members include: Scott Anderson, Jack Wedgewood and Hella Bluhm-Stieber 	
Synod Assembly Delegates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting in Sacrament: June 1-3, 2018 • Delegates are: Rick Hann, Dave Denny, Rachel Bergren, Laura Shioli 	
Old Business		•
Meeting adjourned 1:07 PM	Next congregational meeting will be: August TBD, 2018	
Closing prayer:	Pastor Ben	

Submitted by: Dianne Stauffer