

St. Paul's United Church of Christ-Malone, WI
Minutes of the Church Council
September 13, 2017

Council members present: Cara Wagner, Ann Martin, Joe Sattler, Stephanie Shepherd, Jason Hoefler and Nancy Beckman. Rick Stellick, Kelly Groeschl, and Leah Burg were absent. Also present was Pastor Dan Schultz.

President Cara Wagner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pastor Dan led the council in an opening prayer.

Boy Scout, Alex Thome, of Troop 778 Holyland, did a presentation on an Eagle Scout project he would like to do to benefit the Holyland Food Pantry and St. Paul's UCC. His project would include removing our old side walk that goes from the parsonage front door to near the road and seeding it with grass; installing a 10' X 13' brick patio adjacent and level to the sidewalk on the east side of the parsonage. He might possibly add benches and a flower box, depending on budget. He would like to start the project by October 1 and finish by mid-November. Stephanie Shepherd made a motion to approve Alex Thome's proposed project. Joe Sattler seconded the motion, motion carried. Alex was unsure of what type of fundraising projects he would do but the council told him to keep us informed as we may be able to help in those efforts.

Pastor Dan's report of meeting, visitations, etc. is attached at the end.

Nancy Beckman presented the secretary notes of the August 16th, 2017 meeting. Joe Sattler made a motion to accept the report. Jason Hoefler seconded the motion, motion carried.

Ann Martin presented the August treasurer's report. Ann noted that last month \$100,000 of the Building Fund was put in a Corner Stone 12 month CD, the approximate remaining \$200,000 of the Church Building Fund was put in a BMO Harris Money Market account as they offered 1 year at 1.15%. Nancy Beckman made a motion to accept the report as printed. Stephanie Shepherd seconded the motion, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Worship & Pastoral Relations Committee—Ann Martin—The Worship Committee meet August 28.

- Pastor Dan was asked to include a short devotional prayer that would lead into the prelude music.
- He would also continue to give explanations and directions during the communion process since we are doing communion three different ways.
- Stephanie will pass out a sign-up sheet for the October 1 potluck dinner following church which will coincide with World Communion Sunday and our traditional German Dinner Sunday of the past.
- The committee will next meet on October 11th.

Property Committee—

- Jason Hoefler indicated the Tom Schmitz is working on repairing the outside spot light at church—he thought it just needed a new light bulb but Jason would follow up with Tom.

Christian Education—Stephanie Shepherd

- Mossy Worship on August 17th went well. We had a number of visitors from outside our church to hear the speaker on Birds of Prey.
- Stephanie said Linda Sattler is working on a project to replace some of the Sunday School dividers with memorial money from Gloria Sattler.
- Stephanie thanked Mackenzie Wagner for her help watching the younger children during the congregational meeting on September 10th.
- Stephanie will advertise the need to substitute teachers.
- Since there is no "traditional Sunday School" on the 1st and 3rd Sunday's of the month, she will be asking different children to help with the worship service.
- The first Messy Sunday will be October 22. Stephanie and Linda Sattler will plan it.

Women's Fellowship—Nancy Beckman

- There will be no September meeting. Peggy Isaacson will be the speaker on Oct 2 and talk about a medical mission to Liberia that she is involved in.
- Our Tuesday's Together gathering was at Beth Miller's house on Sept 6 with about a dozen in attendance.

Technology Committee—Ann Martin

- Tom Tomter has set up three live microphones for use at church.

Mission Committee—Nancy Beckman

- The Back Pack Project for the Holyland Food Pantry was completed and went well.
- The Mission committee will prepare a meal at the Ronald McDonald House in Madison on October 14th. They are in need of 10-12 adults and children to go on this trip.
- The committee will be working with Pastor Dan to do an interactive worship service teaching members about the Kiva project that we have been involved in for over 6 years.
- A project to collect diapers for the HFP (Holyland Food Pantry) will start as soon as we know the correct diaper sizes.

Old Business:

- The rescheduled date for New Member Sunday is September 17. Pastor Dan is expecting Peggy Isaacson and Tom Schmitz. Andrea DuWell will also be there although she technically became a member over a year ago.
- Pastor Dan is almost finished with the church directory.
- Pastor Dan passed out a letter he planned to send to inactive members. It just lets them know that we have not seen them in a while and are available for whatever their needs might be. It lists all council member's names and their phone numbers.
- Communion Bread—Jason Hoefler-Sept 17, Kelly Groeschl-Oct 1, Joe Sattler Oct 15.

New Business:

- Pastor Dan has been using his own computer at the parsonage office. It's over 6 years old and needs to be replaced. He would like to purchase a Mini Mac which would cost about \$400. The church does have a laptop but Pastor Dan prefers to his own Mac. Ann Martin didn't feel that this amount was in the budget. Stephanie suggested we pay for half and Dan pay the other half. It was tabled until next month.
- The HFP is have a Grilling and Chilling Cook-Out on 9/16 from 12-2 for all the HPF volunteers. All members of St. Paul's are invited to the event also.
- American Family is having a What's Your Favorite Charity and giving out 90 \$3,000 awards. Pastor Dan had the information in the Wednesday Apostle.
- The HFP would like to put up a 2 X 3 foot bulletin board in the meeting room at the parsonage. Following discussion, Nancy Beckman made a motion to allow the bulletin board on a 3 to 4 month trial basis to make sure it's working for both parties. Jason seconded the motion, motion carried. A request was also made that the HFP check to make sure nothing is out of place in that room before and after on distribution day.
- Nancy Beckman volunteered to coordinate the after church Fellowship Calendar and try and make sure we always have someone signed up for snacks.

The next council meeting date is 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 18th.

Stephanie Shepherd made a motion to adjourn. Joe Sattler seconded the motion, motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Nancy Beckman Council Secretary

Pastor's Report September 2017

Meetings: 11

Church Groups: 5

Architects: 4

Individual: 1

Congregational Meeting: 1

Worship Services: 5, including Mossy Church

Baptism: 1

Visits: 3

Midweek Apostles: 4

NEA Updates: 2

Wednesday Together

Church Website

Directory

Members Letter

Supporting Mission Committee

Supporting Worship Committee

Supporting Future Building Committee