CONGREGATION COUNCIL MINUTES
FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
April 11, 2023

Present
Jim Hall (President), Sandy Becker (Stewardship), Retta Hennessy (Pre-School), Jen Bair (Service), Beth Sells (Communications), Mark Pedersen (Property), Karen Finerty (Worship), Senior Pastor Shelly Satran, Joe/Kelly Parratore (Faith Formation), Gary Nelson (Secretary)

Absent
Tim Hohulin (Treasurer)

Excused

Guests
Kayla Smrt
Zach Zwahlen
Deb Hornell

Opening Devotions and Prayer
- Beth

Call to Order
- Meeting called to order by President Jim Hall at 7:02pm
- Jim solicited the sharing of blessings for the past month.

Approval of Minutes
- MOTION: To approve the minutes of the Congregation Council meeting held on March 21, 2023 (Sandy/Beth) Carried.

Strategic Goals Seminar with Deb Hornell
- Deb continued to lead us through the exercise.
- The group shared feedback from small group meetings. Many of the suggested goals were similar and after discussion a preliminary summary was prepared.
- Jim will prepare a final version for adoption at the next meeting.

Consent Agenda
- MOTION To accept the reports of the Faith ministries and staff. (Jim/Jen) Carried.

Financial Report
HIGHLIGHTS:
- Regular envelope giving for the month is up slightly vs budget and consistent with prior year.
- YTD regular envelopes $23.1k below budget, but above prior YTD period by $16.3k.
- Utilities are over budget due to higher gas charges in winter months.
- Net loss in the prior year to date period was $17.7k. The current year loss is $1K.
- Insurance expenses are running higher than budget as we pay our premiums over 10 months and the budget is based on a 12-month allocation.
- The negative other income is likely incorrect, and Sally is investigating.
Old Business

Council Meeting Schedule
Schedule revised to accommodate conflicts.

Call Committee
Nothing new to report. We will be receiving candidates after Easter.

Kitchen-Sandy
Checked Home Depot pricing for Corian counter tops: $1,612. Sandy will discuss counter-tops and other needs further with primary users of the kitchen and bring suggestions to the next meeting.

New Business

Staff Reports
Rainbow Place-Retta
April 24th is Teacher Appreciation Day. Jen will create gift baskets. Cost will be expensed from Congregational Activities.

Closing Prayer
Beth

Adjournment
- Jim adjourned the meeting at 8:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Gary Nelson, Secretary