

COMMUNITY OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Council Minutes

October 17, 2019

Call to Order & Roll Call

Present: Sandy Anderson, Jodi Bendt, Maia Hendrickson, Jeff Hovis, Mike Mathisen, Tim Orf, Mark Schuneman, Michelle Sherman, Darrin Vick, Angie Way

Excused: Ken Colberg, Dennis Engman, Dan McMahon, Jeff Montgomery,

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Treats: provided by Sandy Anderson

Devotions: Higs and Lows with Prayer Requests

Minutes for September meeting: will review in November.

Pastor Darrin's Report:

The *Love Pours In* event was a wonderful time. A visitor from Redeemer Lutheran Church, Wesley, told Hanna how much he enjoyed it. Wesley indicated it would be a while before his church will be at this place. "You just seem to enjoy each other's company," and he saw love and grace on display. This feedback was encouraging to all!

The new Connections position was created. This position combines the Welcome Coordinator and Groups leader with a focus on connecting members. Pastor Darrin will be making an offer to Hanna Collins early next week. This means we will need to backfill into two administrative assistant positions.

Pastor Angie's Report:

Looking into a potential Spiritual Gifts inventory that works with myCG. This can help us find people with gifts and passions for our needs. All church potluck coming November 3.

Core Team Reports

Children's Ministries: Mark Schuneman

Children's minister interview on Tuesday went exceptionally well, and an offer has been made. Kudos to Victoria for covering in Children's ministries and others for stepping up to help as well.

Student Ministries: Dan McMahon (absent)

Adult Ministries: Jeff Hovis

Discipleship series by David Clark from Bethel Seminary was a tremendous success. Two sessions were recorded. The content included:

- September 22: Part 1 - Learn and clarify God's mission for us.

- September 29: Part 2 - Listening and understanding people in modern culture and understanding the ideas behind modern culture.
- October 6: Part 3 - Witnessing to our community

Averaged 50 attendees per session.

A third *Ask Away* took place on November 21 at Anchor Coffee. The topic was "Is the Church Relevant?" Looking for young people to be involved.

Catalyst classes started last night and continues Wednesdays from October 16-November 13 from 6:30-8 p.m. Pastor Angie and Pastor Darrin will teach these classes.

The *Groups* brochure was published last month as a tool to help people get connected within the church. An updated version is coming in December. The *Current* has also been well received.

Seniors: Ken Colberg / Angie shared report

GROUPS: R.O.M.E.O., Old Guys Bible Study, Wednesday Night Bible Study, Quilters, Knitters, Bandage Rollers, Card Makers all continue to serve. J.U.L.I.E.T. met in October at Mad Jacks with 10 women attending.

EVENTS: Pine Tree Apple Orchard wagon ride tour and desserts occurred on October 10. Thirteen people attended. Member Harold Jobe was the wagon driver. He will retire from this role after this year.

CARE MINISTRIES: Parish Nurse, Carol Watnemo, is updating the training materials for the in-home visitors. Should we have background checks on volunteers who provide home visits? Council affirmed this.

Lyngblomsten is presenting a free class called "Living with Chronic Conditions" at CGLC on Tuesdays 9 am-12 noon through mid-November.

A special S.A.M.P.L.E. event will be held on November 14 at 11:30 a.m. CGLC is hosting a Veterans event, and Magnuson Christian School students will serve the food. Speaker Greg Tool will talk about resources for veterans. The cost is \$5, but Veterans eat free.

Worship: Tim Orf

This team is celebrating the *Love Pours In* event. The Thanksgiving Eve service coming.

Welcome/Hospitality: Dennis Engman (absent)

Missions: Michelle Sherman

HAITI: This trip is scheduled for January 25-February 1, 2020. Deadline for registration is October 20. So far, eight have signed up. Because of political unrest, the situation is being monitored closely. In the past, we had student scholarships for Haiti trips. Expect to do the same scholarships as last year.

HOOD: The Food Shelf "Give a Gobble" sponsorship costs \$2,500. We have \$4,800 in reserve for the Food Shelf, so we will let Perry Peterson know that CGLC will participate.

The Diaper Drive coming up in November.

HOM: We are preparing for Project Home in December and investigating new dividers other than the cardboard.

Michaela Koll is serving with YWAM.

Infrastructure Reports

Treasurer's Report: Mike Mathisen

Managing expenses well. Giving is behind last year but doing better than last year currently. Giving has increased over the last three months.

Stewardship: Mike Mathisen

Darrin's letter regarding our financial situation went out, and financial performance updates will be included in the bulletin. The stewardship series starts this week.

Facilities: Jeff Montgomery/ Mike Mathisen

Secretary's Report: Maia

No report.

Vice President's Report: Jodi

Assignments as below.

President's Report: Sandy Anderson

Thanks for those who helped with Confirmation interviews.

Other new business:

Motion to allow the Boy Scouts to sell wreaths on Sunday, November 17 was approved.

November Work Assignments

Offering Auditors: 9 a.m. - Michelle; 10:30 a.m. - Sandy

Devotions and refreshments for November 21: Michelle

Mark closed in prayer. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Maia Hendrickson