First Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2018

Council members Present: Suzanne Demuth, Anne Taylor, Kirsten Kragness, Jennifer Frank, Terry Gervais, Mark Hermes, Joe Ellig, Debbie Opatz, Pr. Gretchen Enoch

Council Members Absent: Darren Krein, Dick Felstul, Kim Ward

Treasurer Suzanne Demuth called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. Pr. Kirsten provided devotions and prayer.

Review and approval of the agenda: Motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.

Review and approval of the July 10, 2018 meeting minutes: Motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.

Review and approval of the July 2018 Treasurer’s report: Motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.

Pastor Report: Discussion on the following topics:
   • “Stewardship – Cultivating Generous Congregations”; Pastor Gretchen looking for 4 people to attend
   • Update on First Lutheran’s website
   • Letter to council from Lewis and Jolene Roers regarding Houston youth trip

Old Business:
   • Discussion with Amy Baldwin on 6-9 month goals; include searching for associate pastor and other staffing

New Business
   • Insurance renewal update
   • MN Boys Choir: discussion on First Lutheran hosting and meal that would need to be provided
   • Vote on Kristy Wicklund as permanent Sunday School Superintendent – motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.
   • Update on call process for Associate Pastor – suggestions for committee members

Committee Reports:
   • Education Committee: Rally Sunday: Hooked on Jesus”; See report
   • Worship Committee: Starting in September, communion every Sunday; video recording of services; See report
   • Outreach Committee: Discussion of a path forward; See report

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:55 p.m., seconded, meeting adjourned. Closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Opatz, First Lutheran Church Council Secretary