

**First Lutheran Church
Church Council Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2018**

Council members Present: Darren Krein, Dick Felstul, Suzanne Demuth, Anne Taylor, Kirsten Kragness, Jennifer Frank, Debbie Opatz, Pr. Gretchen Enoch

Council Members Absent: Terry Gervais, Mark Hermes, Kim Ward, Joe Ellig

President Darren Krein called the meeting to order at 5:59 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 June 12, 2018 meeting minutes: Motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.

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

Pastor Report: Discussion on the following topics:

- Pastor Gretchen's Service of Installation on July 22
- National Night Out on August 7
- Noon Meetings going well
- National Youth Gathering

Old Business:

- Darren and Dick sent letters requesting funds from various sources for projects in motion

New Business

- Amy Baldwin attended the council meeting to help us focus our conversation from the feedback received from the congregation in May. Discussion led to the following decisions:
 - The council needs to lead this process.
 - We need to be honest and open, and ask for help when we need it
 - We will move forward with the call committee for another pastor/youth leader – still open to discussion of what that position should be.
 - After all the discussion, we need to decide our top three priorities and concentrate on them.
 - The next step will be to set up an action plan – who does what? What type of time commitments are required? What will the challenges be?
- Discussion on benevolences: Pastor Gretchen and Jennifer will get together to discuss

Committee Reports:

- Education Update: see report

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:52 p.m., seconded, meeting adjourned. Closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Opatz, First Lutheran Church Council Secretary