

**First Lutheran Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2020**

**Council members Present:** Steve Guttormson, George Mathison, Suzanne Demuth, Jennifer Frank, Harriet Wicklund, Leslie Flugstad, Missy Mattson, Michael Wicklund, Ron Spangler, Abbey Kwapinski, Sara Koch, Jo An Whitlock, Jennifer Woore, Debbie Opatz, Pr. Gretchen Enoch

**Council Members Absent:**

President Steve Guttormson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Pastor Gretchen read a devotion and led a prayer. Mission statement was read by all.

Short discussion of what we might want to change in council meetings – inviting guests, committee meeting notes, etc.

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

**Review and approval of the January 14, 2020 meeting minutes: Motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.**

**Review and approval of the January 2020 Treasurer's report: Motion made to approve, seconded, motion carried.**

**Pastor's Report**

- Requested that we pray for one another, staff and pastor
- United front as a council
- Leadership retreat sign-up
- See Pastor Gretchen's report for additional comments

**Old Business**

- Sabbatical Guidelines from the ELCA: **motion made to approve these guidelines, seconded, motion carried**
- Request for assistance in writing our Core Values – Steve, Sara, Debbie, Pr. Gretchen will meet to discuss
- Church Directory Dates: March 25-28 and May 26-28; sign up with Jennifer W. or online
- Need small group to assemble inactive member list mailing – possibly Sunday School classes?
- The Five Disfunctions of a Team – Abbey spoke on her thoughts

**New Business**

- Constitution Revision – George and Leslie will review
- Gratitude Sunday will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month During announcements, may do a "Temple Talk"
- Mutual Ministry member proposal – Michael's term will end January 2021, Leslie's will end January 2022, Steve Fritz's term will end January 2023, Linda Mellon's will end January 2024, Ann Rotto going off now. **Motion made to accept this schedule, seconded, motion carried.**
- **Wedding brochure:** Missy and Jennifer F. will review
- Pastor Gretchen will be married at First Lutheran in May. **Motion made to gift Pr. Gretchen with the use of the facility, seconded, motion carried.**

**Committee Reports:**

- Fellowship: JoAn Whitlock – First Lutheran will host noon/evening meal & service on 3/18, serving soup and bread
- Education: Abbey Kwapinski – Lent event planned: bringing in Trowbridge Zoo animals
- Property: Ron Spangler – has 3 committed members for his committee
- Stewardship/Discipleship: Michael Wicklund – meeting to discuss capital fundraising; discussion with consultant
- Personnel: Missy Mattson – working on Handbook; discussion on combining of Personnel committee and Mutual Ministry committee
- See website for complete committee reports

**Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:35 p.m., seconded, meeting adjourned.** Closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Opatz, First Lutheran Church Council Secretary