

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH PLANNED PARISH

Monday January 8, 2024

Boards: 7:00 pm **Voting meeting:** (1 rep. from each board) immediately following

Devotions: Kristi Ehrenberg

Council Action items

1. Approve December minutes.
2. Accept December treasurer's report
3. Internal audit status. Will be completed before annual meeting.
4. Review benevolence percentages.
5. Review and approve proposed budget.
6. FYI: Lac Qui Parle annual conference February 25th, 2:00 pm at Grace Lutheran, Dawson. Can have up to 6 volunteer delegates to attend.
7. FYI: Green Lake bible camp annual meeting February (TBD). Need 1-2 volunteer delegates to attend.
8. Reminder: annual meeting January 21, 2024. Encourage others to attend.
3. Discuss salary increases.
4. Evaluations of Christmas Eve services
5. Review pulpit supply, Pastoral care coverage plans, and transition team needs.
6. Ash Wednesday February 14th. Discuss service time?

Evangelism

1. Advent Giving Tree report
2. Look over pink designated envelopes. Any changes?
3. Transfer in/out (if any) Transfer in of Kandra & Jason Kellen and their son Baylor (a 7-year-old) and daughter Laklyn (a 4-year-old). Discuss welcome plans.
4. President will be calling another family who expressed an interest in joining (Shannon Tyler & son Carsen Parkhill)
5. Discuss Just For the Love of It
6. Discuss FWV services. Should we reduce to 1 per month until we have a pastor?
7. Other

ALL BOARDS - to discuss

1. Submit board budgets for approval.
2. Verify board vacancies for recruitment of new members for June voting mtg. Will need to seek candidates for President and Vice President positions as both have maxed out their terms.
3. FELC's Exec. Cmt. and Zion's will be meeting with Bishop Dee Peterson on January 13th to discuss potential partnership opportunities.
4. Review the Synod's call process steps.

LAY MINISTRY

1. Review submitted WAM, Endowment, Tech, Finance reports.
2. Annual meeting agenda

Christian Education

1. Evaluation of Sunday School program.
2. Promotion of Green Lake Bible camp & scholarships available.
3. Discuss initial VBS plans.
4. Dates for SS to sing in worship?
5. Sunday School snack options without coffee volunteers?
6. Other

Youth & Family Ministry

1. Fund raising updates.
2. Summer events/trips?
3. Superbowl Sunday Subs fundraiser?
4. Other

Stewardship

1. Plan to present financial plan at annual meeting (one board member plus treasurer).
2. Look at Local Distribution list and finalize for 2024.
3. Designate Lenten offerings.
4. Status of opportunity sheets. Work with Barbara to get volunteer list to those that can use it.
5. Discuss number of envelopes to order for 2025 (order due end of January) (At present 36 people requested envelopes)
6. Other

Church Properties

1. Items from Dean
 - i. Paint is peeling above the stained-glass windows in the Narthex and water is dripping into the cement below it.
 - ii. We have a mouse problem. Dean put out some traps and we've caught three mice so far.
 - iii. Water leak from the bell tower down the back stairwell.
2. Spring: sink hole by sidewalk
3. Long-term needs:
 - i. Paint hallways
 - ii. Fellowship hall ceiling
 - iii. Carpet over asbestos tile
 - iv. Sanctuary painting
4. Other

Next meeting: February 5, 2024