

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLANNED PARISH 2023 FEBRUARY
Monday, February 5, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

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

Devotions Becky Parker, Treasurer

FWVN as needed. Pastor Dave will provide Ash Wed. communion at FWVN.

ALL BOARDS:

1. The Lac qui Parle Conference assembly will be Sunday February 25th at 2:00 pm at Grace Lutheran Church in Dawson. We can have up to 6 member delegates (preferably 3 male and 3 female) attend. Any volunteers to attend?
 2. The Green Lake Bible Camp Annual Meeting will be February 13th, starting with a meal at 12:00 pm. The meeting will start following the meal at 1:00 pm. Each congregation is encouraged to send two voting delegates. Any volunteers to attend?
 3. The Synod Assembly will be June 7-8th, at Gustavus Adolphus College. We can take three members as delegates. Any volunteers to attend?
 4. Start recruitment efforts for board vacancies for the June election ballot.
 5. Should we move to 1x per month for coffee fellowship? If so, when?
 6. Start considering opportunities for partnership with the Zion congregation.
3. Holy Week Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.
 - a. WAM suggests 7:00 pm service time.
 - b. Still seeking pulpit supply for Maundy Thursday service, which is also 1st communion.
 - c. Pastor Hans will lead the Good Friday service (*unless there is an Easter choir cantata?*) [Tenebrae according to Lisa]
 4. March 31st is Easter. The Executive Board discussed 9:00 am service time with no 7:00 am service. Pastor Hans can only lead the 9:00 am service.
 5. Accept reports:
 - a. WAM (February 4th minutes)
 - b. Endowment (none)
 6. Review of current and future pulpit supply coverage needs.
 - a. Update on stipends for pulpit supply
 7. Recruit for transition team 1st, then call committee 2nd.
 8. Discuss next steps for partnership planning with Zion.
 9. Other

Council items:

1. Approve January minutes.
2. Approve Treasurer's report.
3. Board reports
4. Approval of transfers in/out with motion from Evangelism (none)
5. Other

Lay Ministry

1. Lent: midweek service time. WAM suggests 6:15 pm.
 - a. Theme: "Thy Will be Done"
 - b. Led by Colleen Natalie
 - c. Cannot use TV screens during these services.
 - d. Will utilize the Holden Evening Prayer service booklet
 - e. Ash Wednesday is February 14, 2024 led by Colleen Natalie with Pastor Dave Tonn presiding over communion.
2. Fairway View mid-week Lenten service 1:30 pm from Ash Wednesday (2/14) through March (3/27).
 - a. Will be led by Lois Bergeson with Marilyn Hansen playing hymns.
 - b. Board of Evangelism will recruit additional volunteers to assist with Lenten and Ash Wed. services at

Evangelism

1. Bulletin board plans for Lent. Theme: "Thy Will be Done"
2. Ash Wednesday is February 14th 7:00 pm
3. Recruit service volunteers to assist with communion at FWV on Ash Wednesday
4. Lent, Easter, and/or Holy Week ads. March 31st is Easter.
5. Transfers in/out?
6. New Member Sunday plans.
7. Just for the Love of It plans.
8. Other

Christian Education

1. VBS 2024 plans, consider potential partnership with Zion? Funds were allocated for funding for Green Lake VBS program.
2. Discuss date for Sunday School to sing at a Sunday service.
3. Service of snacks for Sunday school for Sundays without coffee service volunteers?
4. How many Communion Chalices for First Communion?
5. Other

Youth & Family Ministry

1. Super Sub prep/distribution & Super Bowl of caring offering plans.
2. Easter breakfast plans with no 7am service.
3. Set date for senior recognition Sunday.
4. Fund raising update and planning.
5. Plans for ELCA Youth Gathering and other potential summer events/trips.
6. Green Lake camps promotion.
7. Plans for junior and senior high youth gatherings.
8. Review partnership opportunities with Zion.
9. Other

Stewardship

1. Opportunity sheets are compiled, and a copy is provided for each board.
2. QR code for offering process update.
3. Other ideas to encourage offertory giving when not attending in-person services?
4. Can we/should we monitor views on Facebook?
5. Other

Church Properties

1. Status of water fountain repair.
2. Items from Dean:
 - a. Pain peeling above stained-glass window in the Narthex and water dripping onto the cement below.
 - b. Water lead from the bell tower down the back stairwell
3. Discuss alternate options for replacing bells (i.e speakers). Gather options and pricing for a possible Temple Talk fundraising topic.
4. Ongoing needs
 - a. Spring projects:
 - i. sink hole by the sidewalk
 - ii. uneven concrete by front door & walkway
 - iii. structural integrity concerns with bell tower mounts
 - b. Long-term needs
 - i. Paint hallways - seek volunteers?
 - ii. Fellowship hall ceiling
 - iii. Carpet over asbestos tile
 - iv. Sanctuary painting – obtain bids?
 - v. Schedule Fire Extinguisher re-check
5. Other

Next Meeting: March 4, 2024 7:00 pm