

Approved April 29, 2019

**MINUTES
CHURCH COUNCIL
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Marlton, New Jersey
March 25, 2019**

Council Members Present:

Robert Price-President

Pam Hann-Vice President/Building Community

Sharon Elliott- Secretary/Worship and Music

Liz Dietz-Assistant Financial Secretary/Finance

Lori Hartley-Addiction and Mental Health/Health Support

Scott Rush-Social Missions

Aimee Morin-Youth

Joe Chiarulli-Property

Guests: Laura Glatz

- **Opening-** Meeting was opened at 7:04pm.
- Joe made a motion to approve the minutes from the February council meeting (February 25, 2019). Pam seconded. Motion passed.
- **Refreshments:** The food was provided by Lori Hartley. Thank You!
- **Ministry Updates:**
Addiction and Mental Health/Health Support- They invited people to Adult Forum for 3/31 when the Evesham Police will be presenting the Straight to Treatment Program. Prevention and other programs to come. They are looking for topic ideas.

Building Community-Did not meet. Pam had some updates. Laura ordered more P.O.P brochures for the Evesham Harvest Fest and Welcome Wagon. Rebecca Keen will coordinate the Easter Egg Hunt.

Family and Education- (Kim was not present.) Did not meet. Updates: First Communion is Saturday, May 4, 2019. The Bird Feeder program will be during Discipleship Practice on 4/7 facilitated by Liz Dietz and Lorraine Hoilien. There will be a speaker from Wild Birds Unlimited.

Youth- They met 3/24/19 with 5 youth and Melinda Ota. Easter breakfast will be held between the 8:30 and 11:00 services. At this time an adult is needed to coordinate. Youth Sunday will be June 9. The Theme is still being discussed with possibilities coming from the Winter Youth Assembly (Embrace) and the ELCA Youth Gathering (This Changes Everything).

Property-Property workday is April 13, 2019. Highs: Dishwasher is being purchased. It will be an under-counter, Bosch model. Hoping to step up the Capitol Fund campaign. Lows: The heater on the roof has broken down. They are still waiting to hear from Tri State to replace air conditioner and lighting for \$19,000. **See Property Minutes**

Social Missions- Feeding ministry groups were spun off. They received a grant from the NJ Synod. Bridge of Peace training was conducted focusing on confidentiality. This year the Easter Shoe Campaign has been renamed the Children's Easter Campaign due to the various needs of families involved. **See Social Missions Minutes**

Stewardship- Pauline was not present, but sent an email update. Moneys will need to be moved from TRowe Price to the checking account to pay for HVAC replacements. Most likely a capital campaign will be needed to repay those funds.

Worship and Music-Highs: Busy Box Cubbies built by Dave Kerr will be loaded and installed by 4/7/19. God's Global Barnyard has kicked off and raised \$1161 the first week. We had record high attendance for Ash Wednesday service in recent history.

- **Report on the Financial Health of the Congregation-** No treasurer's report. See Financial Secretary's report. The Lenten Soup Supper collection will go to the Children's Easter Campaign. Liz has requested that she and Mary and the money counters be notified as early as possible when there are special collections made so that the moneys can be placed in the correct account.
- **Witnesses from the Congregation-** Gratitude and positive comments were shared about the Chair Yoga class. Joe reported that more people from outside groups are coming to services. Pam and Laura reported that many women who attended the Women's retreat commented on how welcoming

POP is and how they like that we are mission driven rather than just about the people in our pews. They also thought the Ash Wednesday service was moving and meaningful. When Bishop Tracie filled in for Pastor Brett during Adult Forum, many raved about Pastor Brett and commented on how welcoming and friendly we are at POP. When Scott met with people from Nefshanu, St. Joan of Arc and Beth Tikvah they commented on how POP had an overwhelming mission focus, is known by our outreach, and want to be more like us.

- **Pastor's Report-** Not present due to mother's death.

- **Old Business:**
 - Council retreat action plan: Look at Scott's list on How to Fish. We will hold a separate brainstorming meeting. The goal will be to whittle to 2-3 tasks/events. Scott will notify us with possible dates. Bob will work at putting talking points together for mission posters for each room and for a more general poster for public places. Laura will check into advertising in community papers.
 - Safety Team: Pastor Brett will meet with Brian Ressler.
 - *Insurance policy review:* Tabled
 - *Endowment Committee:* Tabled

- **New Business:**
 - **Audit Committee:** Council provided a list of people for Liz to ask a sixth person to join the audit team.
 - **Personnel Committee:** Pastor Brett is talking to people.
 - **Continuing Resolutions:** Tabled
 - **Correspondence:**
 - Thank you note from Cross Roads for sponsorship for Bishop's Cup Golf Outing.

 - **Requests for Building Use:** Building requests were approved for the following:
 - Girl Scout used the Triple classroom to make sandwiches for the homeless.

- **Transfers:** None

- **Reminders:**
 - **Refreshments:** Kim
 - **Devotional leader:** Kim
 - **Upcoming Events/Calendar Review:**

District Meeting-Sunday, March 31, 3:30pm at Temple Lutheran Church, Route 130, Pennsauken: Pam and Pauline will attend.

Synod Assembly- June 6-8 in New Brunswick. We nominated Scott Rush and Pam Hann to attend as voting members. Sharon will attend as a nonvoting member.
 - The May Council meeting will be on **May 20**. (Changed due to fourth Monday in May is Memorial Day.)
 - **Greeters (monthly ministry assignments):** April-Property

- **Closing Prayer/Devotions:** Lori
- **Passing of the Peace**
- **Meeting adjourned:** 9:08PM
- **Next council meeting: April 29, 2019 @ 7:30** (Changed from April 22 because it is Easter Monday.)