

Salem Lutheran Council Meeting - August 21, 2023

Attending: Phil Barker, Rebekah Elling, Elaine Hause, Rev. Aaron Holmgren, Julie Reed, Jack Schluckebier, Mark Schmidt, and Nancy Wyatt. Meeting convened at 7:05 PM. Pastor opened the meeting.

Covenant: Read by Council members.

Minutes of last Council meeting: No additions or corrections. Approved as published.

Reports:

Education: Report received.

Evangelism: Report received. Elaine was told to proceed with the engraving of the stone for the labyrinth, but not to proceed with a proposal for outdoor streaming equipment.

Missions: Committee report and Mission Trip Preliminary Report received.

Property & Finance: Report received.

Stewardship: Report Received

Worship & Music:

Youth & Family: Report received.

Financial reports through July: Attaining our budget.

Pastor: Report received.

Parish Nurse: Verbal report. Will do training in the fall.

Riverside Innovation Report

Amendments to Model Constitution for Congregations

Salem Medical Emergency Procedure (non-Sunday)

Minor and Vulnerable Adult Abuse Prevention

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church Labyrinth

Labyrinth Project: Jack gave heart-felt thanks to Elaine and Clyde for all their work. Dedication will be on September 17th. Make it celebratory. Ask people to bring lawn chairs and treats. This will be open and welcoming to the community.

God's Work are Hands: September 10th.

National Night Out Review: Pastor thought it went well.

Clothing Drive: This Friday & Saturday. Need more help.

Pastor Performance Review: Very successful review.

Minor & Adult Abuse Prevention Program: Council should get Debbie Lee's comments before it comes up for a vote.

Amendments to the Model Constitution. Council members should read through the document and be ready for the next meeting. Jack will send out an email to the Council so that members will be prepared.

Salem Medical Procedures (non-Sunday): Rebekah suggested that the heading be changed to non-worship times. Pastor Aaron made a motion that we accept the procedure with the modification of non-worship time. Rebekah seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Audit: Mark said it should be a review rather than a full audit. Mark said Salem has a small staff and fairly simple procedures so a review would very likely be adequate.

Labyrinth: Elaine has been approached by outsiders about the price. She said she was unable to release that data.

Other News: Sam Butler is playing a gig at the fair Friday and Saturday.

Closing Prayer: Rebekah closed the meeting with prayer.

Closing Prayer Assignments: Next month Phil will give the closing prayer.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Elaine and seconded by Julie. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Wyatt; Secretary