



Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church
Congregational Council
Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2018
SOLLC Board Room
6:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Council: Jenn Beuch-Bohlsen, Mike Daly, Tom Handrich, Mike Jerke, Rhiannon Johnson, Sharon Krueger, Heather Morris, Allie Olinger, Dave Slowinske, Jeff Taxdahl, Rachel Wentworth **Absent:** Keith Wanttaja
Staff: Dan Poffenberger, Katie Kocina, Josh Gaffga

President Taxdahl called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

- **Tom moved for approval of the minutes from July 12, 2018. Rachel provided the second. The motion carried.**
- Spiritual Practice was led by Josh. He led Council in meditation centered on reading from “Sleeping with Bread” and St. Ignatius thoughts on Consolations and Desolations. Josh taught Council the song “Surely God is in this Place.”
- Staff update – Josh G. reported that:
 - Much enthusiasm already exists among the worship team.
 - A Mission Statement for worship is being developed.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Reports/Reflections

- Dan provided a written report that touched on staff, worship, camp/VBS, ministry fair/tailgating party, strategic plan (more time to be spent on this next meeting), communication, and budget/annual stewardship.
- Financial review/update:
 - Katie provided a number of handouts and discussed the current giving and expenses. Comparison was made to last year and budget. As of the end of August, the Annual Fund is behind budget by approximately \$115,000.
 - Dan and Katie discussed various challenges that exist with the current online and automated giving platform. Different vendor proposals have been received and the goal is to roll out a more efficient platform in conjunction with the Annual Stewardship focus in November. Several Council members with skill sets in the area of marketing, communication, and online commerce, will be participating in the vendor review.
- Old Business
 - Constitution review
 - Tom, Keith and Dan have been reviewing the current SOLLC constitution with an eye to any needed updates. Past Council presidents have been polled to provide guidance as well. A point of interest is the definition within the constitution of a quorum. Additional meetings are planned.
- New Business
 - None

At 8:18 PM with there being no other business to come before council, **Mike D. moved for adjournment, Rhiannon provided the second. Motion carried.**

****Minutes submitted by Mike Jerke****