# APRIL 20, 2017 - OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**Mission Statement:** *Grounded in Faith, Gathered in Love, and Sent with a Purpose so that Others may gain the Kingdom.* 

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ray Valley, Shelly Hill, Joel Frost, Meredith Caskey, John Laswell, Pastor

Dale Stiles

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Marci Gaertner

**Date: April 20, 2017** 

Time Called To Order: 6:46 pm Time Adjourned: 9:15 pm Location: OSLC family room

Meeting Lead: Ray Valley - Board President Recording Secretary: Meredith Caskey

AGENDA ITEM	RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS/MOTIONS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	
		Staff	Board
Reading of Mission Statement and Reflections/Prayer/Devotions  Additions to the Agenda  Approval of Meeting Agenda  Approval of March 2017 Board minutes  Approval of March 2017 CLOSED SESSION minutes  Approval of April 10 <sup>th</sup> Virtual Meeting Minutes  Approval of April 13 <sup>th</sup> Virtual Meeting Minutes	Chapter 9 Operating Systems discussion  -We should complete the Vital Signs church assessment again in the fall of 2017 to understand our current state (last one done in 2013). John was on the previous committee and agreed to reach out to those involved and get the ball rolling.  -Be prepared to discuss Appendix B next month  -Recognition of volunteers on an ongoing basis. Be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.  Fellowship tables, Blossom dedication  John moved to approve minutes, Shelly seconded, approved  Joel moved to approve the next four minutes (March 2017 Board minutes, March 2017 CLOSED SESSION minutes, April 10 <sup>th</sup> Meeting minutes, and April 13 <sup>th</sup> Virtual Meeting minutes), John seconded, approved		John All All
Old Business  • Review of Action Items from past meetings  • Summer worship schedule	Wednesday services – given the low attendance over the summer and current resources, it does not add much value.  Outdoor worship once a month to continue like last summer with food fellowship (grilling/potluck). Pr. Dale will work with staff to set those dates.		Pr. Dale
Ecumen Communication Plan Update	Informational meetings were held on 4/19/2017 with 10 attending in the morning and 8 in the evening with great discussions. Joel is		Joel

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	continuing sessions Wednesdays at 11am and 7pm, Sundays at 9:15 for the next two weeks.  Fact sheets continue to be available on the Welcome Desk.		
	Questions have come up about what happens with the money. For now we are stating that we look forward to those discussions once the sale goes through.		
	Voting process: We will have members sign in to receive a ballot. Paper ballots will be used so that we have documentation. During the meeting, Joel will make the motion to authorize the board to sell the property on behalf of the congregation. Any member of the congregation can 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion. Congregation members (1 or 2) not involved in the process to date should collect the ballots and tally the votes.		
• Parish Nurse Update	Shelly Rock will give us three names of applicants who she has interviewed next week. Pr. Dale, Joel, and Sue Hedlund will interview.		Pr. Dale
Program/Committee Reports (if any)	Shelly to contact chairs to get committee member information and update spreadsheet.		Shelly
Board Activity Calendar Review	John shared the 2017 Calendar he drafted. Ray asked that we add staff personnel reviews to October and Pastor review to November.		John
Pastor's Report	See attached.		
	Kitchen and Hospitality Coordinator resignation. Add discussion to next month's agenda on how to proceed with that role.		
	Childcare Worker openings – we will need further discussion on staffing the nursery.		

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Treasurer Report	See attached. In response to giving being down, Joel will take the concerns to the Giving team to encourage them to come up with some creative ideas. Shelly will share her resources with Joel to share with the team.  Joel will research options for earning better interest on the reserves		Shelly/Joel
	account.		
	John moved to approve the Treasurer report, Shelly seconded, approved.		
New Business			
OSLC Sponsorship/Support for Seminary Students	Legacy fund – there are a couple of people who have stipulated scholarships for seminary students in their legacy gift. Pr. Dale will talk to the legacy committee about approaching those individuals to see if they are willing to give some of that money now.		Pr. Dale
• Committee Charters	Pr. Dale has a contact who has a blank committee charter that we can give to the committees to use. There are also resources available from the ELCA.		John/Pr. Dale
Amazon Smile Membership	This might be a good opportunity but will investigate further to see if the payout would be enough to justify the time to setup and maintain.		Ray
• Tables	Shelly is getting pricing. Brainstormed giving people the opportunity to sponsor tables.		Shelly
Blossom dedication	Will take place 5/7		
• Healthcare	John brought up the concern about not giving this issue any attention.  Tactics and strategy to be discussed at next meeting.		
• Communication			

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Future Meeting Dates:			
Board Meeting Reschedule? – May 18th, 2017 6:30 PM	Setup Doodle poll		Ray
Valley BBQ?	Setup Doodle poll		Ray

## Pastor Dale Monthly Report, April 20, 2017

### **Highlighted Meetings**

- 1. March 21 Mutual Ministry Committee Meeting at Becky Maier's home
- 2. March 23 Ecumen meeting
- 3. March 23 Baptism Orientation
- 4. March 27 First Communion Instruction
- 5. March 28 Coffee & Conversation at Oak Park
- 6. March 28 Legacy Committee Meeting
- 7. March 30 Mission & Outreach Committee Meeting
- 8. April 3 Pre-marital Counseling
- 9. April 3 Art Fun Committee Meeting
- 10. April 4 Giving Team Meeting
- 11. April 4 New Member Reception
- 12. April 6 Coffee & Conversation at Boutwell's (preach/lead worship for chapel)
- 13. April 6 New Member Orientation
- 14. April 9 Tyler Doering Eagle Scout Service
- 15. April 11 Ecumen Meeting
- 16. April 11 Baptism Orientation
- 17. April 13 Maundy Thursday worship
- 18. April 14 Good Friday Worship
- 19. April 16 Easter Worship
- 20. April 18 Legacy Committee
- 21. April 19 Coffee & Conversation at Oak Ridge
- 22. April 19 Taught Confirmation lesson on Holy Communion

## **Upcoming Events**

- 1. April 23 New Member Sunday 3 families are joining OSLC (7 individuals)
- 2. April 30 Guatemala Sunday with guest preacher, Pr. Karen Castillo (President of Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala ILAG) Pr. Keith has helped create a Spanish themed order of service for this special Sunday to celebrate our partner with Zacaleu.
- 3. May 7 Volunteer Recognition Sunday

- 4. May 9-11 SHAPE of Leadership final retreat at Good Earth Village Bible Camp. This will complete a year-long leadership course that the Church Board approved my participation in last year. It has been helpful for me as I continue to be shaped in my leadership style. Thank you!
- 5. May 14 Mother's Day and Dedication of the "Blossom" between services.
- 6. May 19-20 St. Paul Area Synod Assembly at Prince of Peace Lutheran in Burnsville. Orv & Kathy Johnson and Becky Maier are serving as this year's congregational delegates.
- 7. May 21 Graduate Recognition Sunday Pr. Keith Lentz preaching/leading in my absence this Sunday
- 8. May 28 Memorial Day Weekend One worship service at 9:00 a.m. Pr. Ed Schmidt preaching/leading worship in my absence.
- 9. June 10 Nethis Peterson 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party

#### Other Items of Interest

- 1. When should we be begin Adult Forums on "Six Core Concepts" since no Adult Education in the Summer.
- 2. Seminary Scholarship Fund Pr. Keith Lentz has asked if he can form a sub-committee of members (Tammy Crawford, Keith Anderson, Ed Schmidt) to form a Seminary Scholarship fund for the purpose of encouraging members and staff to consider ordained ministry if they are feeling called that direction. Chad Larson has already indicated that he has applied and has been accepted into Luther Seminary's Master of Divinity program and has requested financial support from the congregation. Pr. Keith would like the Board's approval to form the sub-committee and raise funds to provide scholarships for this purpose.
- 3. Blossom Dedication The Art Fund Committee is working hard on planning and making final arrangements for the dedication of the "Blossom" on Sunday, May 14, between services. They will be in charge of the final landscaping beneath the sculpture and will have it ready by the dedication.
- 4. Sue Ortman Sue has officially resigned as Kitchen and Hospitality Coordinator. Her final day in the position will be Sunday, May 21. Immediate needs to fill will be coffee servers for Summer Sundays beginning Sunday, June 4. This Fall, Wednesday evening meals will need to be covered by a catering service or volunteers. Lenten and Advent soup lunches will also need to be covered by volunteers or catering in the future. The Board will need to discuss options. This position does not necessarily need to be filled, as volunteer options may be sufficient.
- 5. Parish Nurse Shelly Rock at Lakeview Hospital will have three names of applicants to give us next week. We can then set up our own interviews with the applicants. Involved in the interviews will be Joel Frost, Sue Hedlund, and me.
- 6. Childcare Worker Openings Two positions in our childcare have opened up and will be ready to fill at the end of May. These positions have been publicized in our weekly bulletin announcements and no responses have been received yet.
- 7. 2017 Africa Mission Trip dates have been set for October 23 November 2, 2017 to visit Iringa, Tanzania and our partner congregation, Mlafu. As of today, Sue Hedlund, Cindy Gackle, and I will be going.

#### **Personal Items**

- 1. May 21 Will take Sunday off to celebrate with family and preside at Annica's confirmation at Glen Cary Lutheran Church in Ham Lake. (Pr. Keith Lentz filling in for me)
- 2. May 28 Will take Sunday off to celebrate with family my graduation from Bethel Seminary. (Pr. Ed Schmidt filling in for me)