

Parish Council Meeting Minutes
May 30, 2017

In attendance: Bruce Weaver, Jeff Law, Linda Ladd, Jim Marshall, Jill DiGiorgio, Scott DeSantis, Barbara Langill, Annmarie Pendola, Chuck Cotting, Debbie Cotting, and Lauren Donadio

Moderator Bruce Weaver convened the meeting at 7:00pm.

- I. Meditation: Jim Marshall - "make the best of the detours"
- II. Approval of Parish Council Meeting Minutes from 5/1/17 by unanimous consent.
- III. Pastor's Report - No new issues reported
- IV. Financial Report - Jeff Law and Jim Marshall
 - A. Ahead of schedule on fundraising
 - B. Pledge amounts and numbers are continuing to go down
 - C. Expenses were reduced due to staffing/salaries
 - D. Overall funds are the best in 10 years due to Tower Day success
 - E. Memorials - significant contribution in undesignated fund will be moved to capital
 - F. Budget FY2018
 1. Assume same salary/benefits as Rev Estelle for next settled pastor - could change
 2. Projected that pledges will continue to decrease (95% yield)
 3. Will be finalized for Sept. annual meeting
 4. Motion to approve temporary budget to be presented to the Congregation during meeting on 6/4/17 - seconded and so moved
- V. Education Ministries Report - Barbara Langill and Jill DiGiorgio
 - . Summer programs - will offer nursery with Alicia and craft/story for older kids
 1. An Illustrated Compassion for ages 5+
 2. Story with coloring activities
 - A. Celebration Sunday - 6/11
 1. Ice cream social, recognition of volunteers and high school graduates
 2. Joyful Noise will sing both Anthem and Offertory
 - B. Youth at Synod - Raden Sorli Hawk and Barbara Langill are going
 - C. Plan to clean storage closet and office over the summer
 - D. Update on Director of Faith Formation
 1. Larainne Wilson has accepted the position and will begin 8/14/17
 2. Plan to have a Welcome Cookout to introduce her to Young Families group during first week in August
- VI. Outreach Ministries Report - Linda Ladd
 - . Great Strides for CF walking team event was well attended
 - A. Ladies' Tea with Muslim community members was 5/21 at 3pm - great success!
 - B. Haven from Hunger - group will serve meal 6/26
 1. Need creative ways to get more volunteers
 - C. Donation of the Month is tuna fish and peanut butter
 - D. CCCyclers can sign up for Reid's Ride on 7/16
- VII. Membership Committee Report - Bruce Weaver for John Sievers
 - . Still need more volunteers to sign up for coffee hour
 - A. Will close out shopping cards on 6/18
 - B. Flea Market was successful
 - C. Lobster rolls will be sold on 6/11 - still need volunteers to help make rolls
 - D. Upcoming event ideas: another Anthony's Coal-fired Pizza event, Welcome Back BBQ in late summer/early fall
- VIII. Diaconate Report - AnnMarie Pendola
 - . Doug Hodgkins will be out 7/11-8/27 for surgery; Noel Smith will cover
 - A. Look into further organ maintenance - squeaky keys, new console

- B. Replacement candles for the altar will be in by the time we move to the chapel
- C. Look into replacing communion table runner
- D. Deciding between 3 possible dates for Deacons' Breakfast in October
 - 1. 15th, 22nd or 29th
- E. Upcoming services/meetings:
 - 1. 6/4 - last Deacons' meeting to create schedule for summer
- a. Also Tower Teacher Recognition for those retiring
 - 2. 6/25 - move to the chapel
 - 3. 7/2 - Communion
 - 4. 7/9 - Christmas in July (sing Christmas hymns, have Christmas message)
- IX. Stewardship Report - Debbie Cotting
 - . Thank You notes sent to all who sent in pledges
 - A. 10 pledges are still outstanding
- X. Finance and Properties Report - Chuck Cotting and Scott DeSantis
 - . Scott DeSantis refurbished and re-set the front lights
 - A. Planning to replace the Chapel steps with granite - hope to complete by end of June
 - B. On the schedule with Bida Painting to complete to building painting and restore our signs
 - C. Measuring carpets for replacement estimates on Friday – plan to clean the Narthex and Fireside Rooms after Tower Day closes
- XI. Fundraising - Bruce Weaver
 - . Very successful year
 - A. Need to find other ways to get more people involved
- XII. Old Business/New Business
 - . Special Congregational Meeting planned for 6/4 to discuss preliminary budget and extend terms
 - A. Plan to have a fire drill in the fall - Diaconate will review procedure
- XIII. Council voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
 Lauren Donadio, Recording Secretary

Next Meeting: 6/20/17 at 6:30pm