CHURCH MINUTES

Grace Lutheran Church Council Meeting 5 October 2023

Present: Pastor Carla, Pastor Kevin, Bob Tesch, Kelly Magdanz, Debbie Patmore, San Monahan,

David Lyons

Guest: Brad Scott (Consecration Sunday speaker)

Absent: Mikayla Wilson, Clay Lange, Dennis Chowen, Maddison Pankratz, Dennis Chowen, Robin

Baldwin, Brandon Caneva

Call to Order: Kelly Devotions: Kelly

Adoption of Agenda with two additions

Under Old Business #4 – Snow Plow instructions - Rocking Tree

Under New Business #6 - Texting Grace

M/S/P

Approval of Minutes M/S/P Treasurer's report: Received

Old Business

- 1. Church carpets will be cleaned Friday, Oct. 6, 2023.
- 2. Outside drainage pipe still clogged
- 3. WNL Meal Donations so far are covering expenses
- 4. Pastor Kevin and President Kelly will write letter to Rocking Tree with cc to bank asking for caution as they remove snow so as not to damage grass

New Business

- 1. Counters November 2023
 - 5 Debbie & Pam
 - 12 Kelly & Bob
 - 19 Debbie & Bob
 - 26 Bob & David
- 2. Date for budget planning and employee evaluation –2 November (Mutual Ministry responsible for pastors)
- 3. Council terms will need at least 2 new members to replace those going off
- 4. Semi-Annual meeting to approve budget 19 November
- 5. Use donations from Believers Fellowship to pay for Consecration Sunday Motion: Deb Seconded: David Motion passed
- 6. Texts to congregations using Tithely

Motion: 6 month trial at \$19/months for 500 text messages (\$10/month for an additional 500 messages if needed) -

Motion: San Seconded: Bob Motion passed

Written Reports – Motion to receive all in block: Pastor Carla Seconded: Debbie Motion passed from Pastor's report -

Motion to apply for Sprinkles of Grace Grant from synod: Debbie

Seconded: Bob Motion passed

Meeting adjourned with blessing from Pastor Kevin

Next meeting 2 November 2023 at 5:30pm Respectfully submitted, Pastor Carla

GLCW Minutes - Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023

Deb Patmore called the meeting to order after Emily Meyer presented a program on Youth with a Mission. 12 were in attendance. Mary Ann read an opening devotion. The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's 3rd quarter report showed deposits of \$14,213, expenses of \$4,513.57 leaving a balance of \$30,903.04. The Rally Breakfast profit was \$9,288.09. All budget line items will be paid before the end of the year.

Committee reports:

- Growth Bible Studies are held on Thursdays at 9:30 and Wednesdays at 5:00. Thankoffering Sunday is Nov. 12.
- Courtesy Lynette Kvanvig sent thinking of you, get well, and congratulation cards.
- Community The Glenn Miller Orchestra is Thursday, Oct. 12, the quilt show is in the library this month, History at High Noon is Friday, Oct. 20th, the Grace Bazaar is Oct. 21, Kiwanis Hobo Stew Feed is Oct. 22, Alliance of Churches' Chili Feed and HS Choral Concert is Oct. 23rd, and Halloween Storytelling is October 27th.
- Action Eileen Raforth reported baby and school kits were delivered to Rapid City. Quilts are being prepared for the bazaar.

Old Business:

- All women are encouraged to donate items for the Country Store on Oct. 21st.
- Deb Patmore, Sheri Boy, and Marlene Kotab reported on their attendance at the Fall Retreat at Outlaw Ranch.
- Election of officers was tabled until November. Volunteers are needed.

New business:

- The 2024 Spring Gathering is at Belle Fourche.
- Grace was asked to organize the 2024 Fall Retreat. Eileen Raforth moved to host the retreat.
 Motion carried.
- Readers, ushers, greeters, hostesses, communion servers, etc. are needed for the Nov. 12th
 Thankoffering Sunday. Mary Ann Stroschein volunteered to read, Ruth Smit will be a greeter,
 Lynette Kvanvig and Sheri Boy will host the coffee hour, and Deb Patmore will give a WELCA
 report.
- Marcia Potts moved to accept the 2024 budget. Motion carried.
- The next meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 7:00 p.m. Mary Circle is in charge of the program and Ruth Circle will host. Circles meet on Nov. 28th Rachel at 1:30 and Mary at 5:00 pm.

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

Marlene Kotab, Secretary

Grace Lutheran Worship Committee Minutes

The worship committee met on Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. Present were Pastor Kevin Jensen, Marlene and Christian Kotab, Marcia Potts, Tim Patmore, Ruth Mechling, Robin Baldwin, and Candy McKay. After an opening devotion led by the pastor, the agenda was approved. Old Business:

- The Oct. 15 Consecration Sunday service and brunch were well- attended.
- The Church Bazaar is Sat., Oct. 21.
- Confirmation is Oct. 29. Pastor will ask the confirmands if they have any music requests.
- Nov. 12 is the WELCA Thankoffering Sunday and Military Appreciation. The women of the church will serve in the many volunteer roles and bring their offerings.
- No WNL on Nov. 22 because of Thanksgiving. No WNL Dec. 27 and Jan.3.
- Dec. 20th is the Children's Christmas Program. They will rehearse at 5:00, eat at 5:45, and the program will begin at 6:30. All children will participate.
- Advent begins on Sunday, Dec. 3. Families will be asked to read the Advent Wreath readings.
 Marcia will contact families to participate.
- Dec. 10 is the Community Christmas Concert at 2:00 pm at the theater.
- Two services will be held on Dec. 24 the regular Sunday service at 9:00 and the evening service at 5:00.
- Sunday, Dec. 17 is the special Christmas Music Sunday. Any special music is welcomed.
 Musicians should call Marlene Kotab if they would like to perform.

New Business:

- Ideas were shared as to how streamline the Sunday service to keep it at an hour.
- We will invite families to begin serving as ushers along with our regular teams.
- All members are invited to decorate the church for Christmas on Tuesday, November 28th at 6:30 pm. All help is appreciated. Tim will look into purchasing new garland. An outside nativity was discussed.
- A new outside banner is needed.
- Grace will serve an evening meal at the School of Mines Luther House on Tuesday, Nov. 7th.
 (12-15 students) Any volunteers to help prepare and deliver the meal should call Marcia Potts.
- Nov. liturgies Nov. 5 Remembering the Promise, Nov. 12 GLCW Thankoffering Sunday and Military Appreciation, Spoken Liturgy, Nov. 19 #7 (Thanksgiving liturgy), and Nov. 26 #10 (Marlene will be gone).
- The next meeting is set for Dec. 19 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Marlene Kotab, Chairman