

CHURCH MINUTES

Grace Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

7 March 2024

Present: Robin Baldwin, Jeff DeKraai, David Lyons, Debbie Patmore, San Monahan, Madison Pankratz, Bob Tesch, Diana Bauer, Heather Kreutz, Kelly Magdanz, Pastor Carla, Pastor Kevin, Bob Tesch, Kelly Magdanz

Absent: Mikayla Wilson, Brandon Caneva

Call to Order: Kelly

Devotions: Jeff – devotions from D365 – about wisdom and foolishness: 1 Corinthians 1:24-25

Adoption of Agenda – additions to agenda

Old Business:

1. Church Advertisement

New Business:

1. Update on ELCA
2. Organ donated to Dolan Creek
3. Consecration Sunday Committee meeting
4. Egg Drop

Motion to adopt agenda with additions - M/S/P

Secretary's Report – Motion to approve minutes - M/S/P

Treasurer's Report – question: what is line 40020? Robin will get that answer. Treasurer's report received.

Old Business:

1. Church Family donation for new screens, technology, carpet for balcony – committee work continues with bids, etc.
2. Pre-school heater needs to be replaced....David presented bids from 4 companies: J & S, One Way, Integrity, and Action
There were questions about the BTU's, efficiency and air circulation needed for each furnace. Motion to table selection until bids clarified. M/S/P
3. AED – Kelly presented that city of Sturgis may be interested in placing an outdoor AED at Grace. Will follow up with this and if this doesn't happen, will continue to explore an indoor AED.
4. Parsonage Asphalt – San had Nate Jolly from Sacrison Paving come and looked at parsonage driveway and turnaround - estimate \$10,000 for everything – \$6,000 for 2" overlay, \$4,000 to take out concrete apron. Motion to table till new furnace is purchased. M/S/P
5. Advertisement for Grace in BH Pioneer, \$300 for the year. Two special ads for Easter and Christmas in BH Pioneer & Prospector, \$60. GLCW is paying for advertising this year. Need to put in budget for next year.

New Business:

1. Money Counters – one change for March 2024
March 10 – Maddie and Deb
March 24th – Diana & Robin
Counter for April 2024
7 April – Pam & Maddie
14 April – Bob & Diana
21 April – Jeff & Bob
28 April – Deb & Kelly
2. Auditors will ask Dean, Pam, Ann, Tim Potts (need two)

3. Red Bucket – noisy offering – (April – June) – BH and SDSMT Campus Ministries
4. Graduation Sunday is May 19, 2024. Will check again if it is the Education Committee or Council responsible for ordering cake. (graduates include: Koyer Kelly, Morgan Myers, Taya Tucker)
5. Pastor Kevin gave update on ELCA
6. Everyone is very happy with the organ that Elmer Preszler's family donated to church for Rose room, the organ that was in the Rose room was donated to Dolan Creek. Dolan Creek was very, very appreciative.
7. Consecration Sunday Committee has scheduled a meeting to discuss what they should plan for this fall.
8. Egg Drop Question: how far can we deliver on Good Friday. Will have to ask Brandon & Tim

Written Reports – received

Next meeting Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 5:30 pm

Update committee chair person, Evangelism chair: Bob Tesch

Move to adjourn – M/S/P

Adjourn with prayer

GLCW Minutes – March 12, 2024

President Deb Patmore called the March 12th GLCW meeting to order in Jesus' name at 1:30 p.m. with 18 in attendance. Bonnie Lange led the devotion and introduced Rick Little who spoke on his and Kris' time in Germany and Kris' role in the State Department.

A brief business meeting was held. Items of note were:

- Courtesy Chairman Lynette Kvanvig send 2 get-well cards.
- Correspondence included a thank-you card from Carolyn Ruff.
- Connie Hurlburt and Lynette Kvanvig are the funeral lunch chairpersons for the 2nd quarter. (April-June) All should check to see if they are on the serving team for this time period. Deb is preparing a Funeral Standard Operating Procedure booklet.
- Chairmen for the receptions following the Easter Cantata performances are Ruth Mechling for Palm Sunday and Ruth Smit for Tuesday. Other churches will provide the treats.
- 1st Communion is Sunday, March 17th and graduation recognition is May 19th.
- Bonnie gave an offering prayer and Marlene Kotab and Deb Patmore were hostesses.
- Serving at the April 9th GLCW meeting are Diana Bauer and Terri Huntley with Pastor Carla leading the Bible Study. A quarterly business meeting will be held. No program.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES – TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024

The Grace Lutheran Worship Committee met on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. Present were Pastor Kevin Jensen, Robin Baldwin, Ruth Mechling, Tim Patmore, Candy McKay, Marcia Potts, and Christian and Marlene Kotab. A devotion was given by Pastor Kevin.

Old Business:

- The “Love on the Cross” Lenten services went well.
- First Communion with seven 2nds graders was on March 17th.
- Palm Sunday, March 24th-readers will be Garland Dobler, Melissa Pankratz, Tim Patmore, Pastors Kevin and Carla. Liturgy will be similar to 2022. The children and adult choirs will process in and sing.
- Youth Living Last Supper script was given to Marcia Potts. She will play and a song sheet will be given to the congregation so that no screen will be lowered for the drama. Thanks to Deb Haivala, Mikayla Wilson, and Jenn Aldren for their help. The heart on the front cross will be removed and replaced by a crown of thorns.
- The Good Friday Crosswalk begins at the Presbyterian Church and ends at Grace Lutheran.
- The High School Youth will present “Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?” on Good Friday at 6:30 p.m. Lynette Kvanvig will be the pianist. Mechling’s will drape the altar area and will uncover it on Easter. Sound tech on Thursday – either Dick Ruby or Christian, Friday – Michelle Williams, and Easter – Dick Ruby.
- Easter services – sunrise at the Lions Club Park gazebo at 6:30 a.m. Bob Tesch will assist Pastor Kevin. The banner for the bottom of the street to the gazebo will need to be put up the day before.
- The audio/visual and carpet upgrades will be announced by Brandon Caneva on Palm Sunday during a Temple Talk. A bulletin insert, outlining the upgrades will be distributed that day.
- The Altar Guild met with Pastor Kevin on March 5.
- With the children’s sermons added after Easter, the opening remarks and song, the prayers of intercession, and other liturgical elements will be shortened to fit into the hour time slot of the radio broadcast.

New Business:

- WNL on April 3 will be a contemplative service. The last WNL and Kids’ Alive is April 24.
- Sunday, April 7 will be Holy Humor Sunday using the theme, “The Funny Side of Aging.”
- Pastors’ vacation – May 9-14 and June 7-17. The 3 Sundays needing pulpit supply are May 12, June 9 and 16.
- The graduation service is May 19. Marcia, Candy, and Marlene all have out-of-town graduations to attend that weekend. Marlene will contact Marie Ritten about playing.
- Liturgies for April – 7th – Holy Humor Liturgy, 13- #7, 21- #8, and 28 – Rem. The Promise.
- Next meeting is April 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Marlene Kotab, Chairman