



McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

McFarland Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 6/22/21 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. VIA ZOOM

Sharing God's Word Showing God's Love Serving God's World

Present (Via Zoom): Pastor Tim, Pastor Kelli, Ruth Bennett, Rick Hall (Sec.), Rex Link, Katherine Miller, Brent Odell (Treas.), Carol Quinlan, Scott Potts (via phone), Kevin Strattan, Gary Toboyek (Pres.), John Zweig.

Excused: Marcy Konemann, Barb Porter-Quam, Renee Rodeck (Vice-Pres.)

1. Call to order & Welcome - Gary Toboyek
2. Devotion – Kevin cited Luke 1:46-55, the song of Mary, and using The Message as a source, he led us through a devotion.
3. Agenda review – Gary Toboyek
4. Treasurer/Finance Committee report – Brent Odell

FISCAL YEAR 2020 – 21 FINANCIAL SUMMARY HIGHLIGHTS FOR MAY 2021

Cash Balances

Checking Account balance was \$229,076. *(This reflects unexpended WI state grant monies received by CLM & past offerings received not used to meet personnel expenses that were paid using PPP monies received under Covid 19 relief legislation.)*

Total Savings Account balance was \$541,039 of which \$59,017 was the current balance of our 'Debt Reduction' funds and \$117,660 was designated for building maintenance/repair.

Mortgage

Our current mortgage balance is \$910,177 *(reduced \$2,989 from the previous month)*. Pledges to our MRI total \$193,570 of which \$233,377 have been received. Overall contributions *(pledged and non-pledged dollars, bequests and memorials)* received toward reducing our mortgage total \$283,825.

Church Giving / Income and Expenses

Offerings received totaled \$39,942. Total YTD revenue *(including offerings)* was \$967,250, which is less than our budgeted/projected YTD amount.

Expenses for the month totaled \$93,150, bringing YTD expenses to \$863,225.

(Since PPP and WI state grant dollars are not considered church generated income, expenses do not include payroll or other costs that were paid using PPP and WI state grant dollars received. The use of PPP and WI state grant dollars to cover payroll and other expenses has resulted in YTD expenses being \$104,025 less than church generated income received.)

Committees and programs are operating consistent with or below budgeted amounts.

4K Income and Expenses

Total FY 4K expenses (\$70,334) were \$5,382 more than the total income of \$64,952 received from the school district.

Pass Thru Summary

Designated and undesignated giving for the month, not including contributions of \$2,524 for reducing the mortgage debt and \$31,430 in State grants to CLM, was \$16,936 (\$15K of which were designated for memorials).

Memorials

Undesignated memorials received were \$2,235 bringing YTD total to \$8,395.

Finance Committee Updates and/or Action(s) taken May 2021

- CLM has been the recipient of additional State grant monies in the amount of \$31,430 to be used to cover personnel and program expenses.

Budget - Brent reported that when June budget figures are completed, the 21-22 budget will be printed and emailed for review in preparation for the annual meeting on July 25th. Budget highlights will be included in the July 7th and 14th newsletters and the annual report. We will hold a budget forum July 18th. Overall, the budget will increase by 1.8%.

Ruth moved and Scott seconded a motion to approve the May 2021 finance report. Motion passed. Kevin moved and John seconded a motion to recommend congregational approval of the 2021-22 budget at the July 25th annual meeting. Katherine asked when the full budget would be available for review. It will be included in the annual report two weeks prior to the annual meeting. This will be available in print as well as electronically on the church website. The motion passed with one "No" vote by Rex Link.

5. Pastors' reports – Pastor Tim & Pastor Kelli

Pastor Tim

- We had our first double in-person service Sunday last weekend with about 30-35 people at each service, including the 9:00 drive-in service.
- We will begin with some singing at 8:00 and 10:00. Chris Malueg is trying to schedule a handbell choir performance.
- We will begin an 8:30-10:00 coffee fellowship get together under the front entrance canopy. Thanks to Vicki Holten for organizing this.
- We will continue the 9:00 drive-in service through August and then restart the Saturday 5:00 service in September.

- The Welcome Committee recently met and is planning a return of the bread ministry. They are also planning an outside Bar-B-Que in September.
- When Pastor Kelli is out on maternity leave, Pastor Tim will arrange for a couple of supply pastors. We have Pastor Emily Tveite of Lutheran Campus Ministry in Madison scheduled to preach August 22nd.
- Tim will be on vacation this weekend (June 25-27) with his family up in the UP.
- Pastor Tim will participate in an “immersion retreat” from July 9th-19th with 17 other pastors at the Holy Wisdom Monastery near Madison, focusing on spiritual practices and renewal.

Pastor Kelli

- The Global Mission Committee is planning a virtual and live Walk4Water event September 18th.
- The Family and Children’s Ministry Committee gave out Summer Fun Kits recently and will send out Activity Kits in July.
- The Family and Children’s Ministry Committee will meet with Faith Formation staff to plan a different approach to Sunday School this fall. Following the 8 and 10 AM services they will have 15 minute education, children’s sermon, and music sessions for both parents and kids. This will be in the sanctuary and also on Facebook Live. They will be adjusting procedures as we get more youth vaccinated.
- We have contacted 55 families for First Communion planning. A group of 18 kids will participate in the July classes. The next session will be in January/February 2022. Classes are scheduled for July 13th, 21st and 26th.
- The Book Club will be discussing “Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water and Loving the Bible Again” by Rachel Held Evans in July. They are meeting July 8th, 15th and 22nd at 6:30.

6. Brief Committee Updates - Gary Toboyek

Solar Power Committee - Wes Licht has recruited 8 committee members and met once. Gary has provided them with church electricity usage figures.

Nominating Committee - We have 4 of the five slots filled with candidates. We are still looking for one more male. Contact Todd Bolstad with suggestions.

Task Force Committee - Dane County numbers continue to look good. Task Force advice is, “Get your shots”.

7. Other Business or Committee Meeting Updates - None.

8. Annual Meeting Sunday July 25th, 2021, Time 11:00 AM

Outdoors between Rainbow House and church building (weather permitting), otherwise Family Life Center

9. Adjourn and Closing Prayer - Scott moved, and Katherine and Carol seconded adjournment. Passed at 7:55. Pastor Tim led the closing prayer.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: July 25, 2021 – Following Annual Meeting, for returning council members and newly elected council members only.