

Community of Grace Church Council May 16, 2024

Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Mike Hamernick, Stephanie Battista, Darrin Vick, Mike Mathisen, Carol Carlson, Dennis Engman, Carl Albing, Craig Pearson, Wendy Fitzsimmons, Joe Ehrman

Excused: Angie Way, Andy Henning, Sam Hunter, Tim Meier

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm

Pastor Darrin shared an opening prayer.

Approval of Minutes:

- The minutes from the April Council meeting were reviewed and approved.

Pastor Darrin's Report

- ARC Life Together Day at Calvary Lutheran Church in Golden Valley
 - 5 staff in attendance
 - This is a regular event that I encourage my staff to attend
 - LCMC is our Lutheran association, but ARC is my "people."
- Kairos Update
 - We continue to meet with MCS Leadership to discuss our missional future together. Some key community leaders will be joining us on May 22nd to share their thoughts on primary needs they see in our neighborhood.
- MCS Gala was well attended as we celebrated 20 years of ministry! Over \$90K was raised in addition to a \$125K matching grant.
- Master's Institute Graduation on Saturday, May 18.
- 16 new members joined from our most recent Catalyst class.

Children's Ministry – Wendy Fitzsimmons

- 29 kids are signed up for summer blast
- Britta brought the 5th graders to preview Refuge on the 15th.

Students – Tim Meier

No report

Service and Missions – Joe Ehrman

- Stamp out Hunger sorted 4000 pounds of food
- Otis will be here for Mission of Hope this Sunday.
- Garage Sale team is meeting weekly

Seniors – Carol Carlson

- Women's global health ministries meeting had a wonderful turnout – 33 women.

Worship – Sam Hunter

No Report

Groups – Carl Albing

- September training for groups will be offered. There will also be some surveys of groups.

Adults/Welcome – Craig Pearson

- 16 new members are quickly getting involved in ministry areas.
- Working on the new council member orientation.
- Greet and Meet will be offered the last Sundays of the summer months in between options for Catalyst.

Treasurer's Report – Dennis Engman

- Reviewed April General Operating fund actuals and balances, including Missions funding.
- Reviewed April Endowment fund balances.
- Reviewed April Reserve fund balances.

Facilities – Mike Mathisen

- We have a little over \$38,000, and a few pending gifts may bring the total over \$50,000 for the Sanctuary Sound. If equipment is delivered in time, installation could be as early as week after the 4th of July. It's a four day install with several weeks of tuning.
- Landscaping work was completed, with designated funds
- One bent flag pole has been straightened.
- Parking lot has been patched and striped, and we gained two handicapped spots, they have been moved to be closer to the main walkway.

Secretary – Stephanie Battista

No Report

Vice President – Andy Hennig

No report

President – Mike Hamernick

- Offering –June 9am Traditional: Carl Contemporary: Mike H. 10:30 Contemporary: Carol
- Offering July 9 am Traditional: Carol Contemporary: Stephanie 10:30 Contemporary: Wendy F.
- June 20 will be our next meeting.

Other New Business

- A motion was made and seconded to move \$450,000 from general reserve to CDs at Bremer Bank and approved by the council.

Closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Stephanie Battista