

CHURCH COUNCIL SUMMARY

September 26, 2017

St. Paul's family welcomes those wanting peace, comfort, and friendship, by connecting them with God's word.

Reports and Recommendations:

OLD BUSINESS

- 2020 Vision – Update on Ministry Plans
 - Family Nurture: Approx. 25% done. Goal to complete next Council mtg.
 - Outreach: Has made good progress. Tasks have been assigned.
 - Spiritual Growth: Has started.
 - Support: Brief discussions so far.
 - Worship: Continues working on it.
 - Exec: Brief discussions so far.
- Future funding plan for RSLs
 - Planning a meeting of the sub-committee Monday, October 2, 2017. Agenda is to discuss/set goals, timeline and framework.

NEW BUSINESS

- A member of the congregation was wondering why we do not advertise JLMLC in the newspaper to fill openings. Answer is that we do not have any openings. We have a waiting list.

The Spiritual Growth Board

- Decided to run the mobile giving information during the offering until the end of September. Four people used the text giving. October 22nd is the next Stewardship Sunday.
- Worship Encouragers is off to a slow start. Five people were at the initial meeting but fortunately, everything was signed up for. Another meeting is planned 9/27 @ 7:30. More people are needed.
- Plans were made for the Oct 6th Fall Fun Fair. A shirt has been designed for the give-away.

The Outreach Board

- The Board is organizing a canvassing event of lower North Mankato for September 30, starting at 9:30. We will be handing out fliers inviting people to attend the Fall Fun Fair. Planning for a babysitter and pizza for lunch.
- Fall Fun Fair is on Friday, Oct 6th, starting at 5. Three Trees Theater has volunteered for a 15 minute performance. The Board is looking for volunteers to help run the games. A two person band called Memory Lane will provide entertainment. There will be a bounce house.

The Support Board

- Moving forward with the lighting project in the Sanctuary. Quote for LED parking lot light fixtures was more reasonable price than anticipated. Discussed replacing fluorescent fixtures in the commons hallway with LED fixtures.
- New copier is in place and being used, is working very well.
- Waiting to receive several more quotes for phone system, phone service, internet hardware, and internet service.
- The fence and landscaping project for JLMLC is expected to be finished soon.

- It would be convenient for extended families to have fobs for the JLMLC door, but it will reduce security if too many are available. The cost is \$5 per fob. Will continue looking into options.
- The electrical box circuit identification project is about half finished. Some areas of the stone and brick work outside of church still need to be power washed. Nursery blind needs to be replaced. Maintenance room and dungeon need to be cleaned out again.

The Family Nurture Board

- Risen Savior outdoor service was held at Spring Lake Park. The service featured Pastor Chris Christianson and a Christian band "From Cross to Glory".
- The Risen Savior School Board September meeting did not have a quorum and therefore was unable to meet. The next regular meeting is in October.
- The next Risen Savior Delegate meeting is scheduled for 6:30PM October 17, 2017 at St. Paul's.
- Pioneers meet 5~7PM the second Sunday of each month at Mt. Olive.

The Worship Board

- We are making good progress on revamping the usher program.

Lead Pastor

- St. Paul's family invites all those seeking peace, comfort, and friendship by connecting them with God's Word. We have peace to offer each other and others. We also have comfort to share.
- Catechism Parents Day was attended by many 5th and 6th grade parents, but not many 7th and 8th grade parents. Again it coincided with kick off events for a number of our public schools. We ask parents to help us set a date that will help us avoid these conflicts of schedules. Catechism kicked off with all students in attendance! Thank you, Moms and Dads!

Campus Report/Associate Pastor

- We kicked off the fall semester at the Beacon with our Welcome Block Party on the first Thursday of the school year. While we only saw one student who received our invitation at the CSU come to the Beacon on a subsequent week, it was a good way to start the new semester. As of this writing, we haven't initiated any Bible studies. Our students are still getting their legs and schedules under them. The Dollar Dinners and chapel services have been going well. We also had our first Game Night.

Church Administrator

- After four weeks of Mobile Giving the total gifted is \$806. Participant breakdown by age is: 1 @ 60+, 3 @ 50+, 2 @ 40+, 5 @ 30+ and 1 @ 20+ for a total of 12 participants.

Vicar

- The Lord has richly blessed our family's first month at St. Paul's. We thank God for the encouragement and help members have generously given as we get settled. We have visited the church library and the public library. We enjoy Wednesday's Food @ Five at St. Paul's and Dollar Dinners at the Beacon on Thursdays. Eli loves preschool at JLMLC twice a week, and both boys liked their first experience with Jesus Cares Ministry.