

Mountain View Lutheran Church

Sunday 18 November 2018

Congregational Meeting

MINUTES

Attendance

104 voting members of Mountain View Lutheran Church.

Call to order

President Sonja Dahl declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

She led devotions based upon Hebrews 10 and the notion of the word “provoke” in Hebrews 10:24 (*Let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deed.*)—and challenging us to “spur one another on in love and grace.”

Approval of minutes

It was M/S/P to approve the minutes of the Sunday 20 May 2018 congregational meeting.

2019 Spending Guideline

The proposed 2019 Spending Guideline was presented, including the following highlights:

- The Spending Guideline as the “mission and ministry” document of the congregation.
- The Church Council’s approval of the proposed 2019 Spending Guideline at their meeting of Tuesday 06 November 2018.
- A review of the major categories (housing, hunger, etc.) of the 2018 Benevolences.
- The major capital improvement and property maintenance projects of 2018.
- A review of the **Former Things, New Things** capital campaign.
- The grants awarded (\$22,763) by the Mission Endowment Fund Committee.

- The proposed 2019 Spending Guideline categories, with monetary and percentage increases/decreases when compared to the 2017 Spending Guideline.

○ Pastoral	\$260,147	+\$39,032	+17.7%
○ Admin	\$301,961	+\$10,902	+3.7%
○ Benevolence	\$173,456	+\$1,256	+0.7%
○ Program	\$90,211	-\$21,170	-19.0%
○ Property	\$121,600	+\$6,100	+5.3%
○ Debt Service	\$131,544	-\$16,800	-11.3%

- Mortgage payments from the Capital Campaign Account in the amount of \$27,388 for 2019.
- Questions were posed from the floor, including needed clarification about secondary/designated funds, online giving, and financial audits.

It was M/S/P to adopt the 2018 Spending Guideline in the amount of \$1,051,261. (98 approve, 4 reject, 2 abstentions.)

Election of SWWA Synod Assembly lay voting members

It was M/S/P to elect Jason Cornell, Beth Ann Johnson, and Gretchen Johnsrud to serve as lay voting members at the 2019 Southwestern Washington Synod Assembly.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned with a benediction from Pastor John Vaswig.

Respectfully submitted,
Troy Kehm-Goins
Recording Secretary