

Mountain View Lutheran Church • Church Council Meeting
Tuesday 08 May 2018 • 6:30 p.m.
MVLC Library

Minutes

Attendance

Present: Jason Cornell, Sonja Dahl, Becca Duskin, Ken Swanson, Pastor John Vaswig, Lynn Wadnizak, Karin Weberg, Julie Williams.

Absent: Walt Freed.

Staff: Troy Kehm-Goins.

Call to order

President Sonja Dahl called the meeting to order.

Devotions

Lynn Wadnizak led devotions based upon the concept of olive trees as signs of hope in the midst of hopelessness in Palestine, as well as verses from Mark 4 and Romans 8. The council prayed together.

Minutes

It was M/S/P to approve the minutes of the Tuesday 24 April 2018 meeting of the MVLC Church Council.

Financial update

Church Administrator Phil Edlund provided a financial update, including the following highlights:

- April 2018 giving was almost even with the Spending Guideline, although year-to-date giving still lags approximately \$23,000 behind.
- At the end of April, account reserves are approximately \$27,000.

Pastor's report

Pastor John Vaswig spoke regarding the following:

- There is a need to recruit for various ministry groups and roles.
- On 5/23, in addition to regular discussion, small groups will also talk about "ground rules."

Congregational Meeting

Preparations for the upcoming Sunday 5/20 Congregational Meeting were discussed and the agenda finalized.

Staff and leadership transitions

- Jon Thieman has resigned as Treasurer, so there is a need to identify and appoint someone else for the position.
- Seth cannot have his ordination at MVLC, since the Northern Illinois Synod require their new clergy to be ordained at their Synod Assembly. Seth's last day at MVLC will be Sunday 6/3.
- Associate Pastor Briana Merkle starts her ministry at MVLC on Saturday 6/16. She preaches and presides for the first time on Sunday 6/17.

Fall 2018 events

- Mountain View Community Center's 10th anniversary, Thursday 11/1.
- "The Fellowship of the Light" stewardship event, Sunday 11/14. (Neither Adult Education nor Rock Ministry that morning.)
- "Standing with Our Muslim Neighbors Roadshow," Wednesday 11/7 or 11/14. (Both a "champion" and committee are needed for this event.)

Next meeting

The next regular meeting of the MVLC Church Council is at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday 24 May 2018 in the Library.

Adjournment

Julie Williams "prayed us out."

Respectfully submitted,

Troy Kehm-Goins
Recording Secretary