

# Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes

## October 27, 2015

**Welcome** - David Burow-Flak, President

**Devotions:** Paul Mache

**Roll Call** 7:01 p.m.

**Number of Voting Members Present:** 12

**Number of Voting Members Needed for Quorum:** 8

**Term Ends 2016**

Y Cynthia Breitinger\*

Y David Burow-Flak

Y Jane Schreiner

N Matt Hernes

Y Madi Mayerik

**Term Ends 2017**

Y Christine Cawby

Y Erma Eichhorn\*

Y Mike Kinsey

Y Marty Swinehart

**Term Ends 2018**

Y Norm Amundsen\*

Y Becky Lutz\*

Y Paul Mache

N Paul Parsons\*

Y Pastor Tim Leitzke\*\*

Y Barb Herzinger, Deaconess\*\*\*

Y Michael Renehan, Treasurer\*\*\*

*\* denotes has served consecutive term*

*\*\*voting member*

*\*\*\*non-voting member*

**Also attending:** Louise Williams, Diane Marten

**Consent Agenda**

1. Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes – September 27, 2015
2. Mission Endowment Fund Committee Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2015
3. Reports from Tender Loving Care Preschool
4. VBS Statistics

**MSC**

**Old Business:**

1. Installation of Pastor Tim will be held on Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM. There will be an open ended invitation to congregation and surrounding churches. Rostered leaders will be invited to vest and process. The color of the day will be green. Several council members volunteered to be part of the service. Pastor Tim will be meeting with Cheryl to finalize the service. Hospitality Team will be asked to plan reception after service.
2. Pastor Tim requested an adjustment between his housing allowance and salary. The monthly amount for housing will change to \$1600 and adjustments to compensate will be made to his salary.

**Deaconess Barb's Report** – Barb reviewed 2015 VBS statistics. Attendance numbers were higher by 20 students

**New Business:**

1. The council heard a presentation from Louise, Barb, and Diane concerning an I-K Synod initiative *Holy Conversations*. The initiative gives a congregation the opportunity to listen to God's voice in one on one conversations with fellow parishioners and pay attention to the "sparks". The council did an exercise in groups and talked about when to best use in the congregation. Motion to have conversations with congregation one week before Annual Meeting and have harvesting of sparks during the Annual Meeting and/or in whatever way is set up in agreement with Pastor Tim, council, and Deaconesses.
2. Discussion of need for Nominees for council election at annual meeting. Three members whose terms expire are eligible to run for another term. Erma will ask Betty to run notice in Parish Notices.
3. Stewardship – November 21/22 will be slated as Commitment Weekend. Christine will prepare Simply Giving materials. Jane Schreiner will do parchment for congregation signing.

4. Security system will go online Monday, November 16.

**Financial Reports:** Reviewed by Mike. **MSC**

**Next Meeting:** November 24, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

**Devotions:** Marty

**Adjourn:** 8:45 PM

**Closing Prayer:** Barb

Respectfully submitted by Erma Eichhorn

November 11, 2015