

## **BOARD OF ELDERS**

### **Crown of Life Lutheran Church**

#### **Meeting Minutes**

**November 3, 2020**

The meeting opened at 8:30 AM with a prayer by Pastor Phill. All Elders were present with the exception of Al Stoudemire. Pastor Gary was in attendance also.

#### **Bible Study**

- Called to Believe, Teach and Confess: An Introduction to Doctrinal Theology, by Stephen Mueller; Chapter 20, The Church. Pastor Gary is postponing the Bible Study for this month.

#### **Prior Meeting's Minutes**

- The minutes from the October 6, 2020 Elder meeting were approved as published.

#### **Pastor's Report**

- This last weekend had 112 members on Saturday with 151 attending on Sunday. With membership increasing and the physical distancing limitation of 180 (without using the choir area) Pastor will be monitoring to determine necessary action to take to ensure all who wish to attend live services may. For Christmas Eve services a survey (through web sign-up) will be sent to members to help determine the number of attendees planning on attending, including family members, so that we will be able to know ahead of time if additional services will be required. As always, recorded Church services are available on YouTube.
- Pastor Gary and Pastor Phill will be conducting more home Communion visits as requested by members.
- Reformation weekend saw approximately 80% of last year's attendance.
- Monday's use of the church for preschool is going well.

#### **Elder Zone Reports**

- The purpose of and information exchange for Elder Zone Reports was given. This was to help explain to Elder Elect candidates to role of these reports and the assignment of members to each of the 12 zones.
- New member packets were explained including contact and follow-up suggestions.
- Member reports were succinct with only pertinent issues discussed. No attendance reports were available due to COVID 19 protocols.

#### **Council Report**

- As of September 30, 2020 YTD: Budget receipts \$597,840; Actual receipts \$624,859; Budgeted expenses \$616,032; Actual expense \$564,982. Actual Receipts exceeded Expenses by \$59,877.

## Current Month Communion

- The November schedule will eliminate Common Cup services until further notice.
- **NOVEMBER 2020 Duty Elder: Harry**

Nov. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	4:00 PM	Harry & Paul
Nov. 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	9:00 AM	Harry & Tom M.
Nov. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Saturday	4:00 PM	Harry & Al S.
Nov. 22 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	9:00 AM	Lowell J. & Joel
Nov. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday Thanksgiving Eve	4:00 PM	Harry & Paul
Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	4:00 PM	Chris & Tom L.
Nov. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	9:00 AM	Harry & Tom M.

- Fall Voters meeting November 15<sup>th</sup> after 9:00 service.

## Old Business

- Food Drive – Sponsored by the Elders will be the first “full” weekend in November, November 7 & 8<sup>th</sup>. It was requested that the Elders send a reminder to their Zone to prepare them for the food drive and remind them that this is their last chance before Thanksgiving to help through this effort.
- Salvation Army Bell Ringers – Ed Kristof informed the Elders of the dates for Bell Ringers. Tuesday, December 8 and Thursday, December 10. The site for Bell Ringers will be at the Basha’s on the corner of RH Johnson and Meeker. Two-hour shifts are available from 8:00 AM till 4:00 PM (last shift ending at 6:00 PM). Husband and wife teams are allowed. Ed needs to know those who are willing to volunteer no later than November 14<sup>th</sup>. If any openings remain after the 14<sup>th</sup>, Ed will open up the opportunity to volunteer to other church groups. All Bell Ringers must wear masks and are encouraged to wear your COL name tags.

## New Business

- Introduction of 2021 Elders Elect.
  - **Tom Johnson** has been a member since 2014. Being a snowbird, he and his wife Kari spend their summers in Minnesota.
  - **Dave Sawyer** has been a member since 2003. He and his wife Linda (the previous co-organist) serve as Ushers and Dave is the 2021 Usher Captain for the 4:00 PM services.
  - **Ron Mara** has been a member since 2012 and has served as an Elder in the past. He and his wife Lenora serve as Ushers, sing in the Choir and Ron serves as a Stephan Minister.

- Christmas Cards are being prepared by the card making group lead by Cathy Meyer. When they are complete the Elders will be notified so cards can be sent to each of the COL membership families.
- Voters' Assembly, Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:15 AM, in the Sanctuary. All Elders were requested to attend if at all possible.
- The 2021 "Draft" Elder communion schedule was distributed along with a contact listing information. Each Elder and Elder Elect was requested to review and determine conflicts and notify the COL Elder secretary for any necessary corrections.

### **Comments for the Good of the Order**

- Happy Birthday to Lucy Stoudemire on the 10th, Sharon Kristof on the 14<sup>th</sup>, and Henry on the 25th. Happy Anniversary to Ed and Gloria Michel on the 30th.

### **Next Meeting**

- December 8, 2020 at 8:30 AM. The closing prayer will be led by Harry.

### **Closing Prayer**

- Joel

Respectfully submitted:

*Chris Beck*

Elder Secretary