

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

## MINUTES

### CROWN OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH VOTER'S ASSEMBLY

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#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:14 a.m. by President Mike Krischler.

#### OPENING DEVOTION

Pastor Phill provided the opening devotion from the book of Jude.

#### ATTENDANCE

115 members attended this meeting including twenty new members who signed the constitution.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 2, 2021 VOTER'S ASSEMBLY

An amendment to the minutes was suggested. It is to name the "Organ Fund" as the "Future Organ Replacement Fund" and require Voter's Assembly approval to spend the fund.

**Motion:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2021 Voter's Assembly as amended. **Motion carried.**

#### TREASURERS REPORT AND BUDGET PRESENTATION

Arlin Bates thanked the Assembly for their generous giving. He distributed and explained the Comparative Financial Statement through the end of October. We will have a sizeable amount at the end of the year to save and distribute among our various funds.

Arlin next reviewed the proposed budget for 2022. The total budget is \$844,709.00 which is an increase of about \$25,000.00 or 3%. The two major increases are a 6.9 % increase in salaries for full-time employees based on the cost of living and an increase of \$3,000.00 to the Mission Budget to replace the \$3,000.00 that was taken away three years ago.

**Motion:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2022 budget. **Motion carried.**

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS/BOARDS for 2022**

### **Trustees: Rollie Mann**

Rollie thanked outgoing board members Jerry Denzen, Myron Holen and Willie Lundquist. He introduced the 2022 slate: Carl Browning, Larry Hieb, Michael Markle, Ed Kristof, and Frank Lohr. The Assembly thanked Rollie for his many years of service on the board.

Rollie also reported that the flat part of the roof has been repaired and the parking lot has been re-sealed.

Rollie has “Jesus is the Reason for the Season” signs and will be distributing them at both services next Sunday.

### **Elders: Tom Mertins**

Tom reported that three members are leaving the board: Joel Block, Dwane Rawson, and Ed Michael. The 2022 slate consists of Tim Krueger, Gerry Harpt, and Jeff Holmes, Chris Beck, and Tom Mertins

President Mike Krischler recognized Judy Brodzeller, Rollie Mann and Arlin Bates who are leaving the Council.

An addition to the printed slate is Frank Lohr on the Board of Trustees.

President Krischler invited nominations from the floor. There being none, he asked for a show of hands to approve the Slate of Officers and Board Members for 2022.

### **The slate was approved.**

Newly elected officers for 2022 are as follows:

President, Gene Kuebler; Recording Secretary, Lynne Rose; Treasurer, Greg Harwood; Assistant Treasurer, Arlin Bates.

## **PASTOR’S REPORT**

Pastor Phill reported the following:

1. Our membership currently stands at 682 communicant and associate members.

2. Pastor Ron has announced his retirement at the end of the year. Pastor Mirly will lead his Sunday bible study at least for three months and Pastor Phill will lead his Wednesday bible study.
3. Pastor explained that the Endowment Fund is not for this generation but for the future of Crown of Life. It is now around \$1,200,000. Members can donate to the fund through the envelopes in their packets or leave money to the congregation in their estate.
4. Holly Gast is the interim choir director until a replacement can be found for Roger Hicks. Pastor is talking to several possible candidates.
5. At the present time, the congregation does not have a Parish Nurse. Pastor asked the assembly if they felt a nurse is necessary and several people supported the hiring of a Parish Nurse.

**Motion:** A motion was made and seconded to actively search for a Parish Nurse.

**Motion carried.**

6. We are searching for an Associate Pastor. A job description has been formulated and a call committee is in place. According to Synod directive, members may complete a form to be submitted to the synod if they know of someone who would qualify for our position.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Tom Mertins as chair of the Board of Elders is also the chair of the call committee. He discussed the search for a new Associate Pastor. We are following our constitution and also the directives from the synod. The elders have sanctioned the call committee to get a candidate list from the district office.

The call committee consists of Pastor Phill as ex-officio (approved by the district), Tom Mertins, Kathy Beilstein, Cathy Meyer, Deb Christ, Gene Kuebler, Don Johnson and Mark Budensiek.

A nomination from for members of the congregation to submit a name for consideration may be obtained from Holly Gast and the nominations are open for two weeks.

The committee will follow all instructions from the synod. They must submit a self-study tool and a pastoral profile.

Pastor Phill said a prayer for Tom and the entire call committee.

## **ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER**

President Krischler introduced the incoming board members.

**Motion:** A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the assembly. **Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 by President Krischler.

Pastor Phill led the assembly in the Common Doxology.

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Recording Secretary

