

Crown of Life Council Minutes

November 16, 2022

Attendees: Pastor Phill, Pastor Mark, Gene Kuebler, Tom Leshney, Tom Mertins, Greg Harwood, Duane Neal, Gene Axelson, Bob Hammann, Linda Sawyer and Lynne Rose.

Meeting called to order at 8:30am by Tom Leshney.

Opening prayer offered by Pastor Phill.

Motion to approve the Council Minutes from October 19, 2022 made by Tom M. and seconded by Greg. Motion carried.

Pastor Phill –

- Thanksgiving Eve will be a communion service
- Pastor Mark will be presenting the Advent sermons
- New Sound Board installation has been delayed due to procedural issues. Tim Gast is working with the provider to address the issues. Tim will be leaving his position as Tech Advisor effective Dec. 31. Pastor is exploring options for a new tech advisor.
- Adjustments will be coming in January to the Sunday Usher teams.

Pastor Mark –

- Care Ministry Weekend is November 19-20. Pastor will provide information about the combined focus on opportunities to serve those in need within our congregation.
- Pastor and Bob also provided clarification regarding the Handyman services.

Treasurer – Greg Harwood

- Income and expenses remain in good standing. The congregation continues to be generous in their giving!
- Endowment Fund has declined in value due to market fluctuations.
- The Finance Committee is recommending the creation of a Dedicated Account of any overage of funds for 2022, due to current fluctuations. Allocation of these funds will be reviewed throughout 2023.

President – Gene Kuebler

- Three items will be highlighted at the Voter's Meeting – the successful calling of an Associate Pastor, Campus Enhancement, and the Endowment Fund.
- Gene asked the Council to come to next month's Council Meeting with suggested 'visions' for 2023.
- Gene also expressed his thanks to the Council for their leadership this past year.

Financial Secretary – Duane Neal

The well-oiled machine continues to function well. Duane and Sheila will be switching roles for the coming term.

- The team could use an additional member.

Elders – Tom Mertins

- Elders are sending Christmas cards – courtesy of Kathy Meyer.
- They continues to contact delinquent members
- Paul Brown and Lowell Janssen have completed their terms. Mark Budensiek and Bob Gaudinier have agreed to serve on the new Board.

Missions – Gene Axelson

- Gene shared a letter from a church in Detroit, thanking COL for their ongoing support. Their school has baptized 7 elementary students in the recent months!

Trustees – Bob Hammann

- Trustees will be a full Board after the Voter's Meeting, with 12 members.
- Bob had a conversation with his members regarding the priorities of being a trustee – home, church and then helping other members. The clarification of the separation between the Trustees and the newly formed Handyman Services should eliminate a good deal of this struggle.
- Bob has also identified the 'experts' in various fields – electrical, plumbing, etc. – to take the lead in repairs.

Member-At Large – Linda Sawyer

- Linda reported there is a sense of well-being and contentment within the congregation, due in part to effective communication. The Altar Guild is now functioning as a cohesive unit, under Pastor Mark's direction.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Meeting adjourned at 10:00am. Closing Prayer offered by Lynne Rose

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynne Rose, Recording Secretary