

Our Saviors Lutheran Church
Council Meeting January 10, 2017
Pastoral Acts and Staff Reports

Pastoral Acts:

Funerals:

Halvor Fodness

December 11, 2016

Baptisms:

Claire Marie Hansen

December 4, 2016

Pastor Deb

Wonderful Christmas worship services with live Nativity and with over 600 in attendance
Beautiful Christmas Cantata by choirs; Sunday School program delayed due to weather.
Planning staff team building retreat
Thankful for new furniture and welcoming space for hospitality
Nominating team making good progress; I'm preparing training for orientation
Continue to have heavy pastoral care needs in congregation with our elderly
AV assessment project begun with consultant David Peterson

Pastor Dave

- Sat in on Wednesday Choir to get a more full scope of what happens on Wednesdays
- Worked with Zach to fix internet and Wifi Situation
- Celebrated my first Christmas at OSLC and as an Ordained Minister.
- Continued work with Ideas Group to discuss past events (Scarf making, decorating, Planning Sheet) as well as working on January Game Night
- Led Pr. Deb's new version of Holden Evening Prayer, will be adapting and using again.
- Jam session in planning phase. Find out what musical talent is being underutilized at OSLC

Zach

- Boundary Waters Registration now open. Deposits due January 15. Date set for July 30-August 4
- Sr High Caroling Overnight Rescheduled for Jan 14 (Won't be caroling)
- Ski Trip Coming up Jan 22
- New Ulm Steel Faith Night coming up February 8
- Fundraisers for Boundary Waters requested: Basket auction April 2nd and 9th. Another idea proposed was having a mystery dinner with a camping theme. We could charge \$10 per person, and the social hall holds up to about 200 people. This is tentatively planned for March 5th. Youth will perform skits for entertainment. Finally, youth will again work for the congregation for donations made to the trip
- Networking work completed on church: Set up new wifi network that covers the entire church, established a guest network that protects the documents and computers of the staff, established secure remote access to documents for staff only. Still in progress: working with New Ulm Telecom to bring in a firewall for safe internet browsing preventing inappropriate sites from being accessed.