

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
JANUARY 4, 2022 – 7:00 PM  
CHURCH SOCIAL HALL**

**Members Present:** Ken Varland, Nancy Wichmann, Joey Warta, Bret Johnson, Kathy Lund, Susan Krogstrand, Chip Rasche, Maxine Remme, Pastor Kathy Ulland-Klinkner and Pastor Dave Nissen. **Absent:** Bob Gruenhagen

1. **Call to Order:** Ken Varland
2. **Devotions:** Maxine Remme, Late January Meeting Volunteer: Joey Warta
3. **Additions to the Agenda:**
  - a. Youth Choir
  - b. Constitution Wording
4. **Approval of 11/23/21 Minutes** – Motion by Kathy L. to approve, seconded by Bret. MSP
5. **Consent Agenda:**
  - a. Pastor Kathy: Has been a busy but good month, Staff was pleased with Christmas Eve. Especially the Noon service; 84 attended. 355 at 3:30, 125 at 5:30 and 30 at 10:00.
  - b. Wedding on New Year's Eve., Very pretty wedding.
  - c. 4 weddings coming up
  - d. Basically just reported that the month of December went quickly and lots of good things happened,
  - e. Pastor Dave: Things are going fine, will get back to Confirmation
6. **Financial Report:** Bret Johnson.
  - a. Monthly report is done. See copies
  - b. Presented draft of budget for 2022:
  - c. Discussion regarding staff Salary raises, All listed in proposed budget,
  - d. Meeting with congregation between services January 30 to discuss concerns congregation might have,
  - e. The Council must approve Draft of Budget then Congregation

Kathy Lund made a motion that we accept the draft of the budget as presented: Joey seconded. MSP
7. **New Business**
  - a. Request from New Ulm City Council to use our church as a voting location, Bret Made the motion to allow this to happen. Joey seconded, MSP
  - b. Staff Salary. Update: Discussed in 6c above,. No action needed
  - c. Boy Scout bankruptcy update: Ken shared the document, He will sign off on the document,
  - d. Stewardship Team Update: Still working on getting people to work on this committee, in hands of nominating committee as well,
  - e. Mission Team Support: They are going ahead with the plan (presented and voted on at November Meeting)
  - f. Covid (Omicron). Update: Nothing new as of right now. Will follow protocol until told differently.  
Children will be required to wear masks. Confirmation age not required. But Encouraged.
  - g. Annual Meeting Discussion: Based on Numbers. Need 75 voting members. Perhaps a mailing should be done to remind people about meeting and also about constitution changes Will have to close off if new orders are received regarding Covid/Omicron.
  - h. Youth Choir: Poorly attended. Madeline has proposed that she would be in Youth Room during the choir time and would invite youth to join her for discussion and getting to know each other. This will be presented to Personnel Committee to be sure they are on board basically and that the salary would be adjusted as/if needed
8. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Building Fund Committee – No update at this time
  - b. Youth Choir Accompanist: No need for an accompanist as no youth choir
  - c. Tech Team: Pastor Dave and committee continue to work on the Technology for Sanctuary.
  - d. Notice from Nuvera stating that we were never invoiced for a bill of \$500.00. Motion by Susan and seconded by Bret to turn it over to Finance Committee for recommendation.
9. Next meeting will be on January 27, 2022 at 7:00 PM
  10. Closing Prayer: Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Maxine Remme Church Council Secretary.