

**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church of East Bethel
19001 Jackson Street NE
East Bethel, MN 55011**

**Thursday, January 14, 2010
Draft minutes to be approved at February meeting**

Five Purposes

Evangelism Worship Fellowship Discipleship Ministry

6:30 p.m. –
Church Council at OSLC on Jackson Street (Music Room)

Members Present: Tom Olson, Mike Roark, Sandy Backerud, Katie Kohler, Ron Thomsen, Susan Fanucci, Jim Bermel, Gary Kortemeier, Ben Bjornson, Sheri Bachman, Sue Liemohn, Mike Ahlers, Sherry Allenspach, Pastor Brian Fragodt

Members Absent: Derek Lein

Members Excused: Patrick Bresnahan, Becky Beck, Al Fritsinger, Pastor Maria Pederson, Pastor Dan Nordin

Guests Present: Kay Carlson, Cindy Delmonico, Kim Fragodt

Devotions: Cindy Delmonico and Pastor Brian Fragodt
Goodies: Becky Beck

Secretary's Report: Sherry Allenspach

Suggestion made that minutes include more information.

Motion made and seconded to approve December 10, 2009 minutes.

Motion carried ayes all.

Executive Committee Report: Tom Olson noted that closed session will be held following regular business.

Decision made by Committee to not fill Faith Formation Coordinator position at this time.

Team Reports

Stewardship/MRT - Jim Bermel

Additional pledge cards were returned following calls made by Council members.

To date 364 pledge cards have been returned for a total pledge amount for 2010 of \$769,000 which is up from the 2009 pledges of \$727,000.

Children's Ministry- Report from Brice Bloxham included in packet.

Evangelism - Gary Kortemeier

Lifted up Con Matros, Small group coordinator.

Worship/Music - Mike Roark
Meeting minutes included in packet.

Preschool Team - Sherry Allenspach
Report included in packet.

Finance/Treasurer Report - Jim Bermal
Month end income for December was lower than expected.
Motion was made and seconded to accept Treasure's report. Motion carried, ayes all.

Confirmation - Shari Bachman
The 8th grade retreat in the planning, Offerings are being gathered for LAX trip,

Old Business

Conversations with Council – January 14th topic- Meeting minutes; what does the congregation want to see and are there other forms of communication we can utilize.

Sherry Allenspach, Jim Bermel, and Sue Liemohn will be available.

Special Task Force report - Tom Olson
Review of staffing positions and responsibilities is in process.

New Business

1. Staff Change - Connie Matros resigned effective January 15, 2010.
Council extends their appreciation for 15 years.
2. Year end stock gifts- Kay Carlson
Members have donated 110 shares of Medtronic stock at \$44.811 per share for a total of \$4,751.81 and 40 shares 3M stock at \$83.141 per share for a total of \$1,604.76.
3. New Bible Study-Pastor Brian Fragodt
Jack Munday, a member of the ELCA Church Council will lead group at 10:45 on Sundays, beginning February 7th, 2010. "God's Work, Our Hands"
4. Haiti - Pastor Brian Fragodt
Message from Bishop Mark Hanson was shared with Council.
Motion was made and seconded to send \$2500 to earthquake fund from SOR fund.

Motion carried, ayes all.

Baskets will be available in the back of the church following each service this Sunday and Wednesday so that the congregation may make contributions to the Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund.

6. Synod Assembly - Friday, April 23 Opening session at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Saturday, April 24, at Shephard of Lake, Prior Lake. Council members should notify Cindy Delmonico if they are interested in attending this event.

Motion made and seconded to enter into Closed Session at 9:10pm. Staff and visitors excused at this time. Motion carried, ayes all.

Motion made and seconded to resume January 14, 2010 regular meeting at 9:35pm.
Motion carried, ayes all.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried, ayes all.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 11, 2010
Goodies & devotions: Mike Roark

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Allenspach

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Core Values

GROWING

Grace

The good news of God's love, salvation, and forgiveness in Jesus Christ is our main focus in all that we, as disciples, do.

Respect

Each disciple is precious and important to God and therefore to us. We need to be honest, respectful and conduct ourselves in

a manner pleasing to God.

Opportunity A personal relationship with Christ is God's will for each disciple—we seek spiritual growth through the many ministries offered.

Worship We, as disciples, seek the most effective ways to communicate the Gospel to an ever-changing culture; this includes use of Word, sacraments, prayer and music.

Inclusive All people are welcome. Our Saviour's is a community of disciples based upon this common acceptance, with high regard to equality and diversity.

Nurturing Each disciple of Christ grows in faith, hope, and love and reaches out to help support others in these endeavors.

Giving Everything we have belongs to God; therefore, we give and serve out of love to Christ. Each disciple, being a commissioned ambassador of Jesus Christ, exemplifies stewardship in the world by his/her giving of resources, time, and talents.

Our Saviour's Mission Statement:

“In Christ, We the People of
Our Saviour's Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Flourish
By Planting The Seeds of Faith
Through Inviting And Welcoming All,
By Tending Our Growing Faith
Through Prayer, Word, and Sacrament,
By Harvesting God's Bounty
Through Serving And Sharing
In Jesus' Name.”

