

Living Hope Lutheran Church
Council Meeting
September 28, 2022, 6:30pm

1. Attendance: Jen Eason, Pastor Daniel Flucke, Gary Myrah, Andy Krueger, Brad LeDuc, Chris Lear
2. Opening Prayer/Devotion: 2 Timothy 1:1-14
3. Here We Grow Garage (Dawn): The current shed needs to be replaced. The proposal is to build an garage that would be used for the storage of Here We Grow items. Currentingly HWG is renting a storage unit. Steps to accomplish:
 - a. Need to have village approval for any new out buildings.
 - b. Part of the issue will be where our address will be. If it is 851 Hwy 33, the 'front yard' would be facing Hwy 33. If the address is with the new street then the front yard would be on the side.
 - c. 800 sq feet would be the size. HWG will pay ½ the cost.
 - d. Next week the developers will be bringing the water line across our driveway.
4. Approve 8/23/22 minutes (Found in Living Hope shared Google Folder)
 - a. Motion made by Andy, seconded by Gary to approve. Motion passed
5. Financial reports (Found in Living Hope shared Google Folder)
 - a. August 2022: Motion made by Andy, seconded by Gary to accept the August financial report. Motion approved.
 - b. Living Hope Memorial Donations from Jerry Baganz = \$1,505 (\$1,300 cks & \$175 cash). Specifically designated for the Education Fund. This will be deposited under Memorials & Requests. We would recommend that the \$15,000 previously donated by Jerry will be in this account.
6. Pastor's Report: Complete details may be found in the Pastor Report (shared Google Folder)
 - a. Pastor proposed a health plan. ELCA recommends a gold plan, in place of the silver plan with a HSA. Recommend this to be sent Anticipated increase in the plan cost will be \$60/church, \$120 total for the pastors plan.
 - b. Shared a video from ELCA - **Equipping the Saints** appeal- 2.3 million dollars over the next three years.
 - i. Areas of focus: Innovation and collaboration for supporting the various ministries.
 - ii. Already have raised \$848,000 for this campaign. Requests are now being made to all ELCA congregations in the Milwaukee Synod
 - iii. We are encouraged to send a leader(s) for training. Designate a 5 week period after the first of the year that will provide awareness of this effort.
 - iv. There will be online trainings coming October 3 at 6:30pm or 10/4 at 10:00am. Gary volunteered to participate on Tuesday morning.
 - v. ACTION:
 - c. Confirmation has begun: Living Hope - 8 students / Christ the King - 2 students.
 - d. Stronger Together newsletter - very impressive. The plan is to send this out quarterly.
 - e. Worship: This past Sunday was a little smaller at both churches. Sermon series on gratitude for the next several weeks.
 - f. Fall Leadership Conference - Sept. 26-28

7. Committee Updates
 - a. Worship Life
 - i. Live streaming every other Sunday, opposite of Christ the King? Request from Gary & Joe.
 - b. Special Committee to oversee 2022 Capital Projects: Ralph Luedtke, Chris Lear, and Brad LeDuc
 - i. Motion: To create this committee made by Gary Myrah, second by Andy Krueger
8. Youth Ministry
 - a. Lighthouse - Consideration of remaining \$2500 in dues from Living Hope. Joe is directed to pay this.
 - i. Christin reported 16 students showed up for the kick off. 9/11/22 had an event of packing lunches for the Milwaukee Rescue Mission, 14 students participated. 9/25/22 event at the Pumpkin Farm had 11 students participate.
 - b. Trunk or Treat: Christ the King is hosting during the Port Washington Trick or Treat. Historically HWG families came out for the Living Hope when they held it on a Sunday. Suggest October 30th after service. Jen will work with Beki to set it up.
9. Accompanist
 - a. Trinny Schumann will help on a month-to-month basis.
10. Service Projects:
 - a. Feed My Starving Children meal-packing event, Grafton at the end of September Friday at 10:00 at Portal Industries.
11. Door replacement
 - a. Estimate to include interior doors: Had a quote from the same people as HWG. The door replacement costs were \$10,000/ \$14, 200 for accessible outer door only /\$19,500 for accessible outer and inside door.
 - b. Also, need to consider leveling the concrete entryway into the church.
12. New Business:
 - a. Estimated timeline for sewer connection & parking lot repavement projects.
 - i. Parking will be done in January or February.
13. Marketing
 - a. Christ the King video - completed by Pastor Daniel.
14. Next meetings:
 - a. Joint Council: October 11, 2022 at Living Hope at 6:30pm.
 - b. November 29, 2022 at 6:30pm at Living Hope.
15. Closing Prayer
16. Motion made by Gary, seconded by Andy to adjourn the meeting.