

Bethany Lutheran Church Minutes

Minutes Pending Approval

November 17, 2024 at 6:30 pm

The Bethany Council met at 6:30 p.m. on November 17, 2024.

President Doug Arneson called the meeting to order. Also present were Pastor Bill, Barb Evans, Tom Wilhelm, Donna Heagel, Dilla Arneson and treasurer, Julie Rasmussen.

Pastor Bill gave devotions on sending grace with those leaving us.

Secretary's report was reviewed. MSC.

Treasurer's report was reviewed and our church insurance will be going up over \$2,000 per year. It was decided to check with a couple of other companies to compare coverage and cost. The report was MSC.

Pastor Bill gave us an update on OICLP plans with Pastor Randy leaving. We discussed ways we at Bethany could help with this transition, i.e. lay people reading scriptures, communion once a month, OICLP council member from Bethany attending Bethany's monthly meetings to present updates. These were to be discussed at the annual meeting in January 2025. Pastor Bill explained new budget for OICLP and we will have a congregational meeting after worship on Sunday, December 8, 2024 to approve the parish budget.

Old Business:

Pastor Bill and Doug will meeting for training for the lighted sign. We have recieved the grant for AED and Jayne will be ordering, etc.

New Business:

Bonnie has resigned as organist and will continue through Christmas. Doug has been in contact and has set up the Substitute Organist

Service. Volunteers will be trained by Doug. Cost will be \$45/service.

The council decided to have our Christmas service on Sunday, December 22, 2024, if Pastor Bill can work out the schedule with Lunder who also have their Christmas service that day.

Julie (Bethany's Call Committee representative) reported that we will probably need to update our report originally submitted to the synod.

MSC to adjourn and we closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Dilla Arneson, Secretary