

Annual Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2023

Opening Prayer: Pastor Chuck opened the meeting in prayer.

Call To Order: Council President Anne Baunach called the meeting to order at 10:55 with a quorum of 61 confirmed members.

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda was presented in the Annual Report and on screen. Motion to approve the agenda as presented. (Lynne Inman/Charlie Radabaugh). Motion passed.

Adoption of Minutes: The minutes were presented in the Annual Report. Motion to approve the January 30, 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes as presented. (Katie Walda/Mary Lou Macarius). Motion passed.

New Business:

Nominations for Church Council: There are four council members whose terms expired or need to step away from council: Charlie Radabaugh, Dave Foss, Dan Ferguson, and Anne Baunach. Anne Baunach and Shannon Spicciati have agreed to run for council. There are still two spots to fill. Nominations for council from the floor: Pastor Susan Kirlin-Hackett nominated herself and Ernest Thomas nominated himself. Motion to accept the ballot as present and elect the candidates by acclamation. (Josh Luebke/Lynne Inman). Motion passed.

Constitutional Changes: Josh Luebke presented the constitutional changes which were also presented in the Annual Report. The changes bring Messiah's constitution in line with the ELCA and SW Washington Synod's model constitution. Motion to approve the proposed changes to the Messiah Lutheran Church's constitution. (Jonathan Baunach/Mary Lou Macarius). Motion passed

Financial Report & Proposed Budget: Council Treasurer Janene Nelson presented the year-end financial report for 2022. Last year's budget included putting aside a reserve of \$38,533 from the general fund reserve balance to balance the budget. However, the actual difference between income and expenses for 2022 was - \$31,729 so \$7,254 is going back into the general fund reserve. Janene then presented the 2023 budget and was also provided in the Annual Report. There is currently a difference in the budget of -\$54,932. The budget includes setting aside \$54,932 in the general fund reserve to cover that difference, if it is needed. Motion to approve the 2023 budget for Messiah Lutheran Church as presented. (Alan Melrose/Ross Chamberlain). Motion passed.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

Election Results: As Council Ballot was approved by acclamation, balloted election results were not needed.

For the Good of Messiah:

- Adriana Chandler shared thanks for everyone in the congregation who has supported the quilters. The quilters sent over 500 school kits and sent quilts to Ukraine and Poland through Lutheran World Relief.
- Elisa Holman shared thanks for the Bombas socks distribution through Messiah Lutheran Church.
- Thanks was shared to Charlie and the Gathering Space redesign committee for all of their hard work.
- Pastor Chuck shared that, through the work of Charlie and Tia, the carpet in Galli Hall will be replaced soon.
- Pastor Chuck also shared thanks for Charlie for the redesign of Sigmar Chapel
- Charlie Radabaugh shared the plan for the 100th anniversary celebration. There will be a meeting towards the end of February. If you are interested in being a part of the celebration, reach out to Charlie or attend the meeting.

- Jan shared thanks for all who supported the Tech Team with all of the changes that came with the livestreaming.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting. (Shelia McLaughlin/Lauren Mendez). Motion passed.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Susan closed the meeting in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Baunach

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Council Secretary