

# St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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## December BOND—2018



### Church Council Council Meeting Minutes November 13, 2018 6 pm

Present: Ardur, Bob, Merley,  
Emily, John, Cheryl, Joyce, Aaron,  
Curt, Nancy

Absent: Julie

Meeting called to order by President, Bob Rasmussen

Opening Reflection / Devotion by Ardur from Christ In Our Home. Based on Hebrews 6:19, titled Hope Leads to Peace.

The meeting began by reciting the Mission Statement

*We are guided by the Holy Spirit in a Christ centered mission to love and serve God, those in need, and one another.*

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Ardur

Approval of October Minutes – Motion made to approve as submitted, seconded, and approved.

Members' concerns – One member suggested to Bob that we just, "Get out of it, let's just go, get out of it!!". Ardur heard people say they appreciated Bob giving the congregation an update on the state of the process. Bob will continue to give updates to the congregation as we have things to share.

Executive Committee – Pastor Ted wants to know if we're having a normal service on Sunday (the day before Christmas Eve) and a Christmas Eve service the following day.

- Nancy made a motion that we have the normal Sunday service and a Christmas Eve service. Motion was seconded. Motion approved.

Pastor Ted also mentioned our Thanksgiving

service. Our Savior's is no longer interested in sharing the service. Do we still want to hold our own Thanksgiving service? Yes, we all agreed it's important to keep the scheduled service on Tuesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.

Bob asked the council to think about whether or not we should hold an annual meeting in January. He asked us to think about it and we'll follow up next month.

Bob talked with the Bishop about alternative ideas to closing the church – do we have to wait until we sell, liquidate, and give all of our funds away? Our lawyer said we should not make any alternative arrangements.

Treasurer Report – As submitted Synod Contribution Report was received. YTD through September we've given \$2585.32. Our commitment for the year was \$6000.

New Business –

Contract with Gerrard Hoeschler Realty.

- Curt made a motion that we sign the contract with Gary Lass, Broker agent for Gerrard-Hoeschler, to represent us for the sale of our church building. Motion seconded, approved.

Team Reports

- Building and Grounds – As submitted.
- Congregational Care – As submitted.
- Endowment Fund – No report
- Stewardship / Outreach – As submitted
- Worship/Music – No report
- Youth and Education – No report
- WELCA – No report

Closing Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Peters

*Unapproved minutes, subject to change*

## TEAM REPORTS

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM

#### VISITATION – COMMUNION MINISTRY

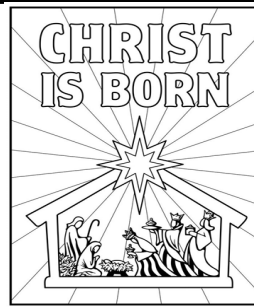
- (8) Communion Visits
- (8) Telephone Calls
- (5) Visits, No Communion
- (3) Cards Sent

#### Communion Team Members:

Lorraine Bummert  
Ardu Cleveland  
Carol Dahl  
Judy Brockman, Coordinator

#### HOSPITALITY

THANK YOU – Lorraine Bummert, Beverly Scott and Ardu & John Cleveland for providing refreshments for Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship in October.



Worship the  
Newborn King  
Christmas Eve  
Monday, Dec 24th

4 pm

Candlelight Worship

with Communion

No Christmas Day worship

Women <sup>of the</sup> ELCA 

W-ELCA will meet Thursday, December 13th @ noon for a potluck luncheon. Bring your favorite dish to share! The meeting will be a Shower for New Horizons. See the insert in the BOND on what is needed to help them out. We will also be discussing how to distribute the money from 2018. All women of the congregation are invited.



### Christmas Poinsettias

The church will once again be decorated with Poinsettias for Christmas. Would you like to donate one or two? Sign up sheets are inserted in the weekly announcements, in the BOND or contact the church office.

Deadline is Dec 9th.





### 2018 Offerings

All offerings that are to be recorded for 2018 need to be turned in by Sunday, December 30th. All monies received after that will be recorded on the 2019 statement.

### Offering Envelopes



2019 Offering Envelopes—No new offering envelopes were ordered for 2019. Please put your offering in an envelope with your name on it (especially if its cash) and place in the offering plate. We will keep the same numbers and your offering will be recorded if your name is listed. RE-MEMBER if you use cash, put your name on the envelope, so your offering can be recorded.



**ADVENT MISSIONS:** As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus during the next four Sundays in Advent, Dec 2, 9, 16 & 23, we ask you to remember those in need in our community by setting

aside non-perishable food gifts for WAFER. Please deposit your weekly food gifts for WAFER in the special food bins in the narthex. Please designate cash gifts for WAFER. Thank you.



### Mission of the Month Giving Tree

#### The Giving Tree

We will again support the Giving Tree through monetary donations. Please give generously. You can put your donation in the offering plates—marked "The Giving Tree" or drop it off at the office. All money collected through the "bucket" collection will help fund this project and provide gifts for people in our area. The La Crosse County Holiday For Goodness Sake project will then go out and purchase gifts for families that are in need. Thank you.



Church and office will be closed Tuesday, December 25th in observance of Christmas. The office will be closed Wednesday, December 26th and Thursday, December 27th. Please plan accordingly.





Please remember these members with a prayer, card or visit



Bethany on Cass

Ella Olstad  
Dorothy Schatzley

Eagle Crest South

Karen Kesselring

Onalaska Care Center

Carol Francis

Bethany Riverside

Janice Elstad  
Corrine Heins

Bluffview—Holmen

Lorraine Fancher

Bothne House

DonaLee Luedtke

Homebound

Joan Ekberg

Welcome Home

June Kjome

- December 08 Tricia Mielke
- December 09 Barb Engh
- December 12 June Kjome
- December 18 Carrie Pearson
- December 19 Jared Tomten
- December 24 Earl Patterson
- December 25 Carol Francis
- December 28 Ardus Cleveland
- December 29 Beverly Scott
- December 31 Howard Engen  
Karen Pielhop

	Dec 03	Jan Ostreng
	Dec 10	Jan Ostreng
	Dec 17	Kathie Vongroven
	Dec 24	John Heim
	Dec 31	Jan Ostreng



11/04	80
11/11	69
11/18	49
11/25	n/a

Date	C & B 6% to the synod	Current All stays at St. Paul's	Design.	Total
11/04	\$2092.00	\$1527.00	\$211.45	\$3830.45
11/11	\$367.00	\$845.00	\$260.40	\$1472.40
11/18	\$967.00	\$620.00	\$135.00	\$1722.00
10/28	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a