

Septuagesima

The Sunday of the Vineyard



“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house
who went out early in the morning
to hire laborers for his vineyard.”

Matthew 20:1

Septuagesima

13 February A+D 2022

Welcome in Jesus' name to our guests this holy day. We pray God's richest blessings to you as we hear His Word and receive His gifts. Please sign our guestbook in the narthex.

Worship at St. Paul's is conducted according to the historic, liturgical worship patterns of the Christian Church throughout the ages. The rhythm of worship is from our God to us, and then from us back to Him. He gives His gifts, and together we receive and extol them.

The Lord's Supper is offered every Sunday of the month. St. Paul's observes the biblical practice of close communion. Members of sister congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are encouraged to commune with us. *We ask visitors who are not members of the LC-MS to speak with one of our pastors if you are interested in learning more about our church and communion practices.*

Septuagesima: The Sunday of the vineyard
"The Lord's Call from Presumption to Repentance"
Grace Alone

The people of Israel contended with the Lord in the wilderness (Ex. 17:1-7). They were dissatisfied with His provision. In the same way, the first laborers in the vineyard complained against the landowner for the wage he provided them (Matt. 20:1-16). They charged him with being unfair, but in reality he was being generous. For the Lord does not wish to deal with us on the basis of what we deserve but on the basis of His abounding grace in Christ. The first—those who rely on their own merits—will be last. "For they were overthrown in the wilderness" (1 Cor. 10:5). But the last, those who rely on Christ, will be first. For Christ is the Rock (1 Cor. 9:24-10:5). He is the One who was struck and from whose side blood and water flowed that we may be cleansed of our sin.

Service Notes: Ivy Farrell is the Kantor at 8:00 a.m. Nicole Stickler will provide distribution music at 8:00 a.m. The English Handbell choir is playing for both services; The Cantate Domino Choir is singing for the 10:45 service.

Prayer: O Lord, our God, as we come before You to worship You in spirit and truth, we ask You to open our hearts to the ministry of Your Word. Lead us to truly repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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Divine Service

Setting Three

Saturday Prelude: "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring".....Johann Sebastian Bach
Prelude: "Kingsport Procession".....arr. Kathleen Wissinger

566 By Grace I'm Saved



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our
That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and
What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.
P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introuit (*congregation chants bold*) *Ps. 18:1-2a, 27, 32, 49; pntiphon: Ps. 18:5-6a*

The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;*
the snares of death con- | fronted me.
In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.*
From his temple he | heard my voice.
I love you, O | LORD, my strength.*
The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer,
For you save a humble | people,*
but the haughty eyes | you bring down.
[You have] equipped | me with strength*
and made my way | blameless.
For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the | nations,*
and sing | to your name.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;*
the snares of death con- | fronted me.
In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.*
From his temple he | heard my voice.

Kyrie

- C** Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

LSB 186

Gloria in Excelsis – omitted during Pre-Lent

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**

P O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

Sit



The Old Testament Lesson ~ *Exodus 17:1-7*

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

(Saturday) Gradual (*Kantor*) *Ps. 9:9-10, 18-19a*

The LORD is a stronghold for | the oppressed,*
a stronghold in times of | trouble.

And those who know your name put their | trust in you,*
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who | seek you.

For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten,*
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.

A- | rise, O LORD!*

Let not | man prevail.

8:00 a.m. Gradual (*Kantor*) "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less".....LSB #576 vs. 1, 2, 4

10:45 a.m. Gradual: (*Choir*) "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" *Setting by Kenneth Kosche (From The Concordia Children's Choir Book Volume 3)*

"Glory be to the God on high; Peace to all," the angels cry.

God the Father sent His Son, Christ, the sole-begotten One.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax.

Worship, blessing, praise are due, God, our Father, unto You;

Glory, thanks, and honor sing Unto Jesus, heavenly King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax.

To the Spirit be acclaim; Let us laud God's Triune name

For salvation, grace and love, Singing with the hosts above:

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax.

The Epistle Lesson ~ *1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5*

²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.

²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified. ¹I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the

same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract – (Kantor/Choir) Ps. 130: 1-4

Out | of the depths*

I cry to you, | O LORD!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

But with you there is for- | givenness,*

that you | may be feared.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 20th chapter.

Cong: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel ~*Matthew 20:1–16*

¹“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Cong: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sit

555 Salvation unto Us Has Come



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and fa - vor;
2 What God did in His Law de - mand And none to Him could ren - der
3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God His Law had giv - en
4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, Sin held its sway un - ceas - ing;



Good works can - not a - vert our doom, They help and save us nev - er.
Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For man, the vile of - fend - er.
That sin - ners could them - selves re - deem And by their works gain heav - en.
The task was use - less and in vain, Our guilt was e'er in - creas - ing.



Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
Our flesh has not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the
The Law is but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
None can re - move sin's poi - soned dart Or pu - ri - fy our



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
guile - ful heart— So deep is our cor - rup - tion.

- 5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled, Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed And thus the Father's vengeance stayed Which over us impended.
- 6 Since Christ has full atonement made And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead, Your death is now my life indeed, For You have paid my ransom.

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory

LSB 192

- C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Sit

8:00 a.m. Offering: "Kingsfold".....arr. Anna Laura Page
10:45 a.m. Offering: HERZLICH LIEB HAB' ICH DICH, O HERR ("Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart").....Johann Sebastian Bach

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

*We welcome members of our sister congregations of the LCMS to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper.
Other visitors are welcomed forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms to indicate this desire.*

Preface

LSB 194

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up unto the Lord.
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
C It is meet and right so to do.
P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

- P** Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

8:00 a.m. – "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" - piano

655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
 3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
 deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
 mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
 on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise
 To claim my mansion in the skies,
 This then shall be my only plea:
 Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
 Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
 For me, and all Thy hands have made,
 An everlasting ransom paid.

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693 O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our Lord and Sav - ior
 2 Help us that we Thy sav - ing Word In faith - ful hearts may trea - sure;
 3 And when our earth - ly race is run, Death's bit - ter hour im - pend - ing,



In faith and fer - vent love em - brace And tru - ly serve Him ev - er.
 Let e'er that Bread of Life af - ford New grace in rich - est mea - sure.
 Then may Thy work in us be - gun Con - tin - ue till life's end - ing,



The hour of death can - not bring loss When we are shel - tered
 O make us die to ev - 'ry sin, Each day cre - ate new
 Un - til we glad - ly may com - mend Our souls in - to our



by the cross That can - celed our trans - gres - sions.
 life with - in, That fruits of faith may flour - ish.
 Sav - ior's hand, The crown of life ob - tain - ing.

Closing Hymn: 573 Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee



1 Lord, 'tis not that I did choose Thee; That, I know, could
 2 It was grace in Christ that called me, Taught my dark - ened
 3 Praise the God of all cre - a - tion; Praise the Fa - ther's



nev - er be; For this heart would still re - fuse Thee Had Thy
 heart and mind; Else the world had yet en - thrall'd me, To Thy
 bound - less love. Praise the Lamb, our ex - pi - a - tion, Priest and



grace not cho - sen me. Thou hast from the sin that stained me
 heav'n - ly glo - ries blind. Now I wor - ship none a - bove Thee;
 King en - throned a - bove. Praise the Spir - it of sal - va - tion,



Washed and cleansed and set me free And un - to this
 For Thy grace a - lone I thirst, Know - ing well that,
 Him by whom our spir - its live. Un - di - vid - ed



end or - dained me, That I ev - er live to Thee.
 if I love Thee, Thou, O Lord, didst love me first.
 ad - o - ra - tion To the great Je - ho - vah give.

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Postlude: "Toccata in F Major"Dietrich Buxtehude

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The family of Virg Steenbock, who mourn his death;
 Jessica Overgard and all other St. Paul's Shut-Ins;
 Rev. Bill Caughey and the congregation of St. Paul Lutheran, Oakland, Iowa;

Those serving in the armed forces... Dustin Bathen, grandson of Virg & Jan Steenbock, David Letcher, Nathan Moeller -members of St. Paul's, Justin Carlton, husband of Kathryn Charlton, granddaughter of Bill Johannes, Matthew Bandomer, grandson of Art

Bandomer, Joey Greiner, nephew of Joni Doiron, Matthew James Harris, nephew of Mark & Erika Harris, Joseph Finch, (son of Bob & Dianna Finch), Jared Naja (nephew of Laura Goodwin), Justin Aistrope (friend of Shaylie Gardner).



News and Notes



Christ Academy Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.
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Cantate Domino Choir - at 5:00 p.m.
Gloria Dei Choir – at 7:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir – Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Installation of all 2022 Church Council, Board members and Committee members will be February 20th during worship services.

“Honoring God’s House” ~ As reported at the Annual Voter's Meeting, we will be taking out a bridge loan for, at this point \$84,000. We have outstanding capital campaign pledges of over \$120,000. Please help us reduce the loan amount by checking on fulfilling your pledge. Thank you for your continued generosity. Another outcome of the Voter’s Meeting is that the roof loan has been paid-off, so St. Paul’s has no outstanding debts.

Lutheran Witness Subscription Renewal ~ \$22.68 – Due February 20, 2022

Name: _____

Address: _____

If you would like to order altar flowers in memory of someone or in honor of a special occasion, please contact the church office at 712-322-4729. Cost: \$48.00.

It is not too late to make a donation to the "St. Paul's families in need special collection" Simply put in an envelope marked "Special Collection" and add to the collection plate or drop off at the church office. A Special Door Offering will be collected this morning and next Sunday for two St. Paul's families in need. If you would like to make a donation to help Nate & Becca Heinicke, simply make out a check to them and send it to them at 510 S. 8th St., Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501 or send it to Jennifer Adams (Power of Attorney) at 3208 11th Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501.

“The Church can become a place of belonging for everyone. As much as a person feels invisible in their loneliness, the church has a place for them. Your Church can be a place where each person finds they are indispensable to the body of Christ.” *Mona Fuerstenau – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Men’s Breakfast Club – Tuesday at 6:00 a.m.
Tewsday Crew - Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.
Women’s Bible Study – Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday at Noon Lenten Recitals will be held again this year beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd.
Volunteers are needed to prepare lunch for those attending during the six weeks of Lent.
Please call the church office if you would like to provide one or more of the lunches.



City Wide Music Festival

March 26th

We will once again be hosting the City-Wide Music Festival on Saturday, March 26th. And we are pleased to announce that we will be going back to the traditional giving our guests refreshments after they have performed. We will be needing cookies, bars, snacks or anything that you think might be enjoyed by our visitors young and old. Please have your treats to the church by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 25th. Thank you in advance for helping us with this great mission out-reach! If you would like to help in the kitchen, please contact: Karen Burns at kburns@fnni.com or 712-309-1070.

Dr. C's Piano/Organ Studio Recital has a new date!
Saturday, February 19th at 1:30 p.m.
Come and support our Music Conservatory Students!

January 30, 2022
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
January Voters Meeting, 12:30pm
Attendance: Sign-In Sheet Attached

Meeting Minutes

1. Handouts previously distributed and available for reference.
2. Randy Milbrath called the meeting to order.
 - a. Pastor Sherrill led with reading/devotion and prayer.
 - b. Presented Meeting Agenda.
 - i. Add to the agenda approval of new voting members and motion to replace church humidifier.
 - ii. Announcement of special collection for families in need within our congregation.
 - iii. Dan Wych made motion to approve agenda. Wade Stephenson seconded the motion.
 - iv. Motion carried.
 - c. Presented minutes from the previous voters meeting, on August 15, 2021, as distributed previously in the voters meeting handout.
 - i. Wade Stephenson made motion to approve the previous minutes. Chris Circo seconded the motion.
 - ii. Motion carried.
 - d. Randy Milbrath highlighted the reports, activities, and initiatives.
 - i. Read congregational purpose.
 - ii. Pastoral Statistical Report.
 - iii. St Paul's Music Conservatory Update.
 1. Pastor Sherrill commented on investment, growth and rewards of this ministry.
 - iv. St Paul's Early Childhood Center Update.
 - v. 2022 Initiatives Review.
 1. Endowment and Legacy Fund Board.
 - a. Introduction of Julie Moreno, Board Chair.
 - b. Julie gave brief explanation of endowment and legacy fund.
 2. Church Safety.
 - a. Chris Circo is leading the effort to establish procedures.
 3. SPLECC Support and Stabilization.
 - a. Emphasized need for volunteer assistance.
 4. Field Missionary Support.
 5. Active Bible Study and Prayer Opportunities.
 - a. Wendy Story commented on Ladies Bible Study, held at 11:30am, 3rd Thursday of the month.
 6. Service League Teams.
 - a. Emphasized needs of the teams, especially the Hospitality Team, Building and Grounds Team(Open Board Position-Director of Church Property), and the Altar Guild.
 7. David's Harp Support.
 - a. St. Paul's will receive a royalty on each booklet or other offering sold instead of receiving a lump sum payment.
 - vi. Building Renovations.
 1. Noted additional stonework needing repairs.

2. Reviewed current spending. Note that St. Paul's has more in outstanding pledges than the amount we will be taking out in a loan. Members encouraged to fulfil pledges if possible.
 3. Work and repairs and any other changes from construction will continue through the spring.
- e. New Business.
- i. Change order of \$39,000 for additional stonework repairs.
 1. Ty Moreno made motion to approve the additional \$39,000 change order for stonework. Dan Wurdeman seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
 - ii. Humidifier for church mechanical system needs replacement, \$4,800 bid.
 1. Dan Wych made motion to approve the \$4,800 bid for mechanical repairs. Dale Burris seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
 - iii. Endowment and Legacy Board recommendation for distribution of undesignated monetary gift from Mary Ruffcorn, as listed in the meeting handout.
 1. Dan Wurdeman made motion to approve the distribution of the undesignated funds as recommended by the Endowment and Legacy Board. Derek Stephenson seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
 - iv. Amend by-laws to add Endowment and Legacy Board Chair to Council.
 1. Virgil Steenbock made motion to amend by-laws to add Endowment and Legacy Board Chair to elected Officials to serve as director on church council, as written. Dan Wurdeman seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
 - v. Missionary Support – Sandra Rhein.
 1. Dr. Christiansen made motion to approve missionary support of Sandra Rhein. Jo Raymond seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
 - vi. Memorial List.
 1. Dale Burris made motion to approve memorial list as listed in the hand out. Wade Stephenson seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
- f. Randy Milbrath presented Church Officer Ballot.
- i. Church Council.
 1. Review Current Officers.
 2. New Officers Elections.
 - a. Julie Moreno – Endowment and Legacy Board.
 - b. Penny Rollins – St Paul's Early Childhood Center.
 3. Dan Wych made motion to approve current and new church officers on ballot. Don Kadereit seconded the motion.
 4. Motion carried.
 - ii. Board of Elders.
 1. Review Current Elders.
 2. New Elders Elections.
 - a. Kyle Johnson.
 - b. Nate Heinicke.
 3. Dale Burris made motion to approve current and new Elders. Derek Stephenson seconded the motion.
 4. Motion carried.
 - iii. Members of Current Boards.
 1. Virgil Steenbock made motion to approve all members of current boards. Julie Moreno seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
- g. 2022 Budget.
- i. Review of proposed 2022 budget.
 1. Jo Raymond made motion to approve 2022 proposed budget. Julie Moreno seconded the motion.
 2. Motion carried.
- h. Members requesting to become voting members.
1. Matt Escritt
 2. Elizabeth Escritt
 3. Michael Wade
 4. Estera Wade
 5. Mahlet Amanuel
 6. Paul Akre
 7. Jean Akre
 - a. Dan Wych made motion to approve new voting members. Dan Wurdeman seconded the motion.

- b. Motion carried.
- 3. Pastor Frank closed with prayer.
- 4. Dan Wurdeman made motion to adjourn the meeting. Wade Stephenson seconded the motion.



Opportunities for Growth: February 13 – 20, 2022

- Sunday: 2/13/22**
9:30 a.m. ~ SS/ABC
- Monday: 2/14/22**
6:00 p.m. – Hand Bells
- Tuesday: 2/15/22**
6:00 a.m. – **Men’s Breakfast Club**
9:00 a.m. – Chapel – SPLECC
8:00 a.m. – Tewsday Crew
11:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting
- Wednesday: 2/16/22**
9:00 a.m. – Chapel - SPLECC
5:00 p.m. – Cantate Domino
5:00 p.m. – **Christ Academy**
7:15 p.m. – Gloria Dei Choir
- Thursday: 2/17/22**
11:30 a.m. – Women’s Bible Study
- Friday: 2/18/22**
1:45 p.m. – Music at Risen Son
- Saturday: 2/19/22**
5:30 p.m. – Worship – C
- Sunday: 2/20/22**
8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. ~ Worship – C (Installation of Officers)
9:30a.m. ~ SS/BC



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