**Council Meeting**

**July 18, 2018** 4:30pm **Classroom 7**

Pizza was provided by Paul Iverson (thank you!)

**Attending:** Nancy Schram, presiding; Paul Iverson, Brad Kingery, Melissa Meyer, Bethany Wesley, Phil Eriksen, Paul Iverson

**Ex-Officio:** Polly Merhar, Pr. Genelle, Pr Nate

**Excused: Absent:** Leonore Potter

**Guests:** Joan Meulebroeck, Children’s Ministry Director and Nicholle Bieberdorf, Calvary Foundation President

Minutes submitted by Polly Merhar. Note: Motions by the council, other than housekeeping items and actions items are *italicized.* Policy is in **bold**.

**Consent Agenda**: Staff reports, council minutes, financial reports, Vision Team report; Policy work updates; Paul moved to approve the consent agenda. Bethany seconded. Approved.

**New Business and Items Pulled from Consent Agenda:**

* **Items pulled from Consent Agenda**  - none
* **Treasurer’s Report –** 
  + Paul reported that assets are up $53,880, liabilities are down $177,350 over same time last year and
  + Contributions are $14,000 over last year but 88% of budget
  + Total revenue is up $9,000 over last year, again 88% of budget
  + Expenses are down $6,000 from 2017 but that is due to the June Portico payment being paid in July. Associate Pastor savings will begin to show in financials in August.
  + YTD we are about $15,000 ahead of 2017 (and 2017 finished in the black)
  + Preschool finished their 2017/18 fiscal year with a $514 deficit (Polly’s note – The BUDGET had a -$514 deficit, the PS Fund had a $-23,324 deficit, if they did not support Calvary for $24,000 they would have had a $658 surplus.)
* **Calvary Lutheran Preschool Proposal:** Joan provided a proposal to change the Lead Teacher position to a regular teacher position and add Lead Teacher duties to the PS Director role. Joan expects to retire in two years and at that time they expect to have transition her role as Children’s Ministry Director to a fully dedicated PS director. To do that she and Pr. Nate recommend a way for the PS budget to absorb the added cost of the PS director (full salary, payroll taxes and benefits) into the PS budget. Currently the church budget covers 20% of her salary, 100% of her payroll taxes and benefits. The full proposal document she provided is available on the WIKI.

**Generative Work – Jubilee Discussion Report and Recommendation**

* **Thank you cards for Spiritual Financial Pledge were shared**
* **Rally Sunday Plans – Year of Jubilee – Ministry Fair**
  + Rally Sunday, September 9
  + Pr. Tim McGorden – LCM interim pastor – will be the preacher for the day; LCM will be our second offering ministry partner that day
  + Calvary Council is asked to provide treats and serve for coffee fellow ship that day.
  + Ministry fair around the outside of the fellowship hall during coffee fellowship
  + Council is asked to chat up the congregation

**Strategic Work**

* **Calvary Foundation Mission and Goals** – Pr Genelle and Nicholle Bieberdorf, Foundation President
  + Pr Genelle explained the background as to why the Calvary Foundation wanted to take over the ELCA scholarship program.
  + Nicholle Bieberdorf spoke to why the Foundation would like to take over the scholarship program and that they envision changes for the program in 2019, leaving it the same for 2018.
  + ***Paul moved to allow the Calvary Foundation to take full responsibility of the ELCA scholarship program beginning in 2018 and giving them authority to make changes and they see fit. Seconded by Brad.*** 
    - A great deal of discussion followed. This motion reverses the motion made by the council in June.
    - ***The motion was approved.***

Meeting Adjourned at 6:15 pm

Meeting ended with the Lord’s Prayer.