

Minutes of the Annual Congregation Meeting

King of Glory Lutheran Church, Boise, ID January 28th, 2024

Council President Becky Newberry called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM

Pastor Connie began with an opening prayer.

A quorum was verified with 50 confirmed members present in person and three households on Zoom.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Connie Winter-Eulberg

Pastor Winter-Eulberg's report is contained in the 2024 Annual Report.

The Pastor noted appreciation for many of the volunteers who have stepped forward in 2023.

Council President's Report: Becky Newberry

The Council President's Report is contained in the 2023 Annual Report.

Becky highlighted the forward-thinking visioning produced by Steve Eulberg's "I Have A Dream" session. These included things we hope to have accomplished during 2024 and over the next three years.

Committee Reports:

No further discussion or questions on the Committee Reports contained in the Annual Report.

Approval of the minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting and the June 2023 Mid-Year Meeting. Carolyn-Jean Smith moved to approve the minutes, Todd Kraft seconded the motion. Passed by show of hands, none opposed.

Congregational Ratification for 2 Constitutional Amendments (Chapter 11 & 12) passed in June 2023 at the Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting. [Protocol required by the ELCA and the Synod for our constitution changes had not been followed previously and we are now correcting that oversight to be in compliance.]

- 1) Updates confirmed by ELCA Parliamentarian, Evan Sperline
- 2) Section references corrected in Chapter 16
- 3) A continuing resolution was added in Chapter 18, which references the update made in Chapter 12 for the number of members-at-large on the Congregational Council. Currently, the number is 2 members-at-large.

Becky Newberry reviewed the constitutional changes that were approved by vote at the June Mid-Year Congregational meeting:

- to allow the treasurer a voice and vote on Council
- to define the Congregational Council to consist of the Pastor(s), the executive committee plus a range of 1-4 at-large members of the congregation.

Nicki Tompkins moved to ratify the constitutional changes. Nancy Seversen seconded. A show of hands was counted to ensure a greater than two-thirds majority voted affirmatively. None opposed.

Nominating Committee Report by Nick Tinker:

Church Council: 3 open positions: Sharlene Harvey (3-year term) Ken Grove (1-year term) Joni Barry (1-year term)

Columbarium Committee – 2 open positions, 3-year term: Jim Stumpf Patty Larson Mission Endowment Committee - 1 open position, 3-year term:
Anne Palma

Nominating Committee – 2 open positions, 3-year term:

Doneta Stephensen Marilyn Falk

Church Treasurer (3-year term): Carolyn-Jean Smith

Financial Secretary (3-year term) Kurt Borm

The entire slate was voted in by acclamation. None opposed.

2023 Financial Reports: Carolyn Jean Smith, Treasurer

Carolyn-Jean reported that this year was the first year the checking account balance more than covered the amount in designated funds. Were all the designated funds to be spent, it would not have left us in the red. She has spent much of the year getting established with a new accounting firm and bringing them up to speed on how we do our accounting. Overall, in 2023 we spent \$388,884 from a budget of \$417,000.00. Actual income was \$424,091.09. The financial reports are included in the 2023 Annual Report Addendum.

2024 Budget Report: Dan Price

The 2024 budget has been reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee and Council. The 2024 budget is a balanced budget. We received 67 pledges totaling \$366,104. There are increases in salary for all Church Staff. There is an increase in Bookkeeping & Accounting Services to cover increased expenses. There is an 8% increase in Benevolence giving for the first time in several years. This Benevolence includes both for the NWIM Synod and for Luther Heights Bible Camp. The Worship Committee budget is increased to cover the music program, and copyright fees were moved here from the Administration category.

Mary Kay Tinker moved to accept the 2024 budget. Dawn Lewis seconded. Passed by show of hands, none opposed.

LEAP Affordable Housing

Becky Newberry and Todd Kraft reported on the current status of the LEAP pocket neighborhood and access for Veolia for a new Community well to be drilled. Two meetings have been held with our neighbors, and some of the planned structures will be rotated to allow greater privacy for those neighbors. The plans call for three duplexes and two single unit houses for a total of eight Affordable Housing Units. Because the LEAP parcel will be sold instead of leased, the city requires a "flag lot" allowing access to Maple Grove Road. Thirty (30) feet south from the north boundary will be "cross access" ownership for the 'pole' of this flag lot. Footpath walking access will be required between Maple Grove Road and the Pocket Neighborhood. LEAP has filed with the City of Boise for the appropriate zoning to create this Pocket Neighborhood.

The meeting was concluded with the Lord's Prayer, prayed in unison.

Dan Price moved to adjourn the meeting; Patty Larson seconded. The vote to adjourn was by show of hands, none opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:34 PM.

Written and submitted by Joel Tompkins, Council Secretary