

May Executive Council Meeting
Immanuel Lutheran Church
May 15, 2018

Members present: Pastor Paul Nelson, Pat Hammer, Elizabeth Hansen, Tami Ehlers, Bob Peterson

Devotions by Tami.

Secretary's report: Bob moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Beth, the motion passed.

Pastor's report: The contemporary worship committee met last night, coming away with the goal of bringing energy and creativity to this service. The new leader will meet monthly with Clark, Paul and Angela to plan worship. The song of the day will reflect the lesson. More musicians will be brought in to lend variety, mostly from our congregation (including but not limited to Holy Commotion). The new leader should be more proactive in organizing week to week. The path forward has been clarified- be more intentional about teaching songs, communion will be celebrated weekly, passing of peace will be longer, and the sermon will end the service.

The high school mission trip is to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, and on the Sunday before they leave (June 10) they would like to use a Native American repentance prayer. Paul reviewed this prayer with us and discussed its impact on our worship. One edit was proposed and accepted.

Clark Weyrauch was installed as Music Minister last Sunday.

Tami and Tammy recommend moving Sunday school and confirmation fees into the general fund in the interest of clarity as the funds move in and out of the church. The goal is more transparency. Concern is that the funds will not be used for the intended purposes. This is the first step in clarification of the dedicated accounts.

A draft of the lease has been received from Onward Eden Prairie. The separation of Immanuel from Onward Eden Prairie is made clear in the lease. Paul Savereide is reviewing the lease for any other concerns we should address before signing.

The meeting adjourned.

Pat Hammer, council secretary