

**Mount Olive Lutheran Church
MMC Meeting
May 16, 2017**

UNAPPROVED

Attendance: Jon Holtz, Scott Passe, Len Ackermann, Karen Meinert, Dave Berndt, Jim Dahl, and Terri Jantunen

Absent: Pastor Jon Haakana, Harold Matson, Kara Briese, and Heidi Dupont

President Scott Passe called the **meeting** to order at 7:05 pm.

AGENDA: Dave Berndt moved to approve. Terri Jantunen seconded. Motion to approve agenda passed. Noting that Scott wasn't sure if Pastor left a report and didn't include on the agenda.

MINUTES: Jim Dahl made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 4th meeting. Jon Holtz seconded. Motion passed.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- I. Apologized for absence. Attendance required at joint Minnesota North and South Pastor's Conference.
- II. **Staff Updates:**
 - a) Jeff Long's rehab continues; hopefully, return by the end of May.
 - b) Jon Holtz fast-tracked Mount Olive orientation, its staff, its finances, and processes.
- III. **Manna Market:** Going well. 98 volunteers utilized serving over 100 families each month. Next opp ~ Friday, May 19, 2017 agenda is: 2 pm food sorting, 5 pm registration, 6 pm distribution, 7:30 pm cleanup. Come check it out!
- IV. **Building Updates:** SELA Roofing Company contracted to repair roof and drainage near Door A to help alleviate the water and mold issue in Room 107/108.
- V. **Capital Appeal:** \$189,939 pledged for 2016-2017 with a goal of \$225,000; In month 5 of 12, we have received \$115,118 (51% of goal)!!

- VI. **Call Committee:** We were informed during Holy Week that we would not be receiving a candidate from the seminary. 160 congregations requested one of the 100 candidates available. The Call Committee will reconvene to determine the future direction. It will keep MMC informed, especially, if action by the congregation is needed.

DBAO REPORT:

- I. **Finance:**
 - a) Offerings: March 2017 was down 3.1% and April 2017 was up almost 1.3% from respective totals in 2016;
 - b) Income to Expenses (year to year): unfortunately, we are still running a \$36,443 debt.
- II. **Stewardship Action Team:** no updates; Jon and Pastor Jon will connect and develop a workable plan.
- III. **Work Plan (2017):** The MMC did not approve the new Work Plan. Therefore, an additional meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 8th at 7:00 pm. Three goals are: renewed focus in small groups, Manna Market, and Associative Pastor for Youth. Jon Holtz reviewed the demographics of congregation. His overall plan is to (1) control spending through better communication with staff concerning their budgets; (2) One idea is to increase giving among members to make up for our shortfall, by addressing membership through the 5 "W's". (3). In future budgets work to create a 10% savings to prepare for large expenditures such as roofing, parking, and HVAC; (3) In the future work to make a budget plan that will be more balanced percentage-wise to be more successful.

2017 MEETING SCHEDULE: August 15 and October 17

2017 VISION ASSEMBLY MEETINGS: ~~June 4~~ June 20 and December 3

Adjournment: Dave Berndt moved to approve. Len Ackermann seconded. Motion to approve agenda passed.

The **meeting** closed with the Lord's Prayer.

*Respectively Submitted,
Karen Meinert
MMC Secretary*