



PIONEER LUTHERAN NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2021

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PIONEER LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING December 1, 2021

Present were President Valerie Hicks, Pastor Pam Wells, Charlotte Mickelson, Julie Petersen, Kevin Quail, and Keri Skroch. Laura Quail and Milan Kruse absent. Val called the meeting to order. Pastor Pam lead in devotions.

Secretary's Report: Charlotte presented the report from November. Julie moved to accept the minutes. Kevin seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Julie presented the monthly. Charlotte moved to approve the report. Kevin seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Old Business:

Membership records – Would like to finalize in January

Records- update, digitize, need minutes from 2012-present. Number confirmed & baptized members for LCMC

Constitution- update- it is ready for approval.

PR work group for community involvement (Charlotte & Laura)-

Meal to Share November 21 follow up. There were over 40 people that ate the meal at least 12 were not members.

Event for December – caroling and invite another church to go with. Julie moved to go caroling on Dec. 12. Meet outside Mcknight hall at 5:00 PM.

Lenten soup suppers open to all. Hosting a spring event (ideas). Need to update notecard and brochure. Facebook page – add an admin? Charlotte volunteered to be an additional admin on Facebook. Fall festival auction considerations? – craft fair, paint party, ice cream social.

Plumbing (hot water) update - 2nd opinion. Kevin called to Mr. Christianson. Still waiting.

Pastoral call committee update – Met again last week. Have an interview next week through Zoom.

Annual meeting preparations (newsletter note of dates) January 23rd with backup January 30th.

Nominating committee

Other committees?

Constitution & Bylaws approval

Media Person? Keeping up with social medial

Quorum numbers

Newsletter reminder- change of address of info submitted to Laura

New Business:

New Church email setup for new pastor.

Webpage updates needed.

Outreach expansions? Internal/external congregation contacts, etc. Do we need to add people to the PR committee? This is a congregational duty not only a pastoral duty.

Sunday 12/5 service- Communion will not be this Sunday, it will be December 12.

Julie put up the Pioneer tree at Mcknight hall.

Pastor's Report-

Adult Bible study is done.

Adult Book club will meet in January.

Executive Session-

Charlotte moved to enter executive session.

Julie seconded the motion. Kevin moved to leave executive session. Charlotte seconded.

The motion passed.

Budget-

Council worked on the budget and tabled the rest until January.

Kevin moved to adjourn the meeting and

Charlotte seconded the motion.

The Lord's Prayer was said in closing.

Respectfully submitted by Keri Skroch,
Secretary

Pioneer Lutheran Financial Report	
30-Nov-21	
General Fund	\$ 10,324.81
Memorial Fund	\$ 1,379.88
Funds in Checking	\$ 11,704.69
Expenses	
Sioux Valley Energy - electricity	\$ 167.55
ITC - phone and internet	\$ 98.44
Pam Wells pastor Housing	\$ 1,000.00
Pam Wells salary	\$ 1,225.00
Charlotte Mickelson Ekern Bill	\$ 75.03
Matt Petersen 4X mowing	\$ 540.00
HyVee supplies	\$ 4.36
Christmas Kids and Cops	\$ 150.00
Charlotte Mickelson Ham for meal	\$ 107.51
Julie Petersen Annual report/floor wax	\$ 49.65
	\$ 3,417.54
Sunday Offering	
NOV 7	\$ 1,190.00
NOV 14	\$ 540.00
NOV 21	\$ 1,070.00
NOV 28	\$ 680.00
Total	\$ 3,480.00



The Christmas Story

by Leanne Guenther

Once upon a time,
A long, long time ago.
Begins the story of a baby,
That most of you should know.



His daddy's name was Joseph,
And Mary was His mom,
This babe was very special
He was God's only Son.

Some angels came from heaven,
And they began to sing.
To the shepherds in the fields below,
"Glad tidings do we bring!"

A bright star lit the heavens,
To light the magi's way,
To the baby in the manger
Who was born on Christmas day.

And all who gathered round Him,
Rejoiced and praised His birth.
For the babe, the King, named Jesus,
Is our Saviour here on earth!



Pioneer Lutheran Christmas Caroling

Sunday, December 12, 2021 @ 5pm

Invite your friends and meet at McKnight Hall @ 5pm to go Christmas Caroling

Following Caroling we will meet at Arlene Madsen's house for food and fellowship.

Oyster stew, a soup and BBQ's will be provided. Please bring a goodie to share.

Hope to see you all to share in the spirit of the holiday season.

Candlelight Service



**Pioneer Lutheran Christmas Eve
Candlelight Services**

December 24, 2021 @ 5 pm

Annual Reports need to be submitted to Julie by January 15, 2022

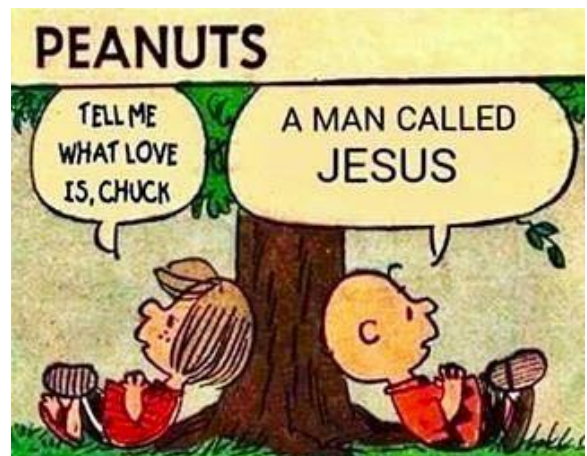
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Annual meeting will be held January 23, 2022 following church services. The back up date is January 30, 2022. We will be having a potluck meal following the meeting.

The Nominating Committee is looking for an interested nominees to run for Church Council for 2022. If interested please contact Kevin Quail, Mike Petersen or Val Hicks

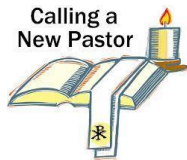
Laura Quail is in the process of updating membership list. If you have a new address, phone number, email address or any new information please contact Laura with this information.

lauraquail61@gmail.com or call 605-690-9104





The call committee met and all papers have been filed and sent out in search of a pastor. We do have one applicant that we will be talking with over Zoom on Tuesday, December 7. We also have an applicant that we will be meeting with in person. We will keep everyone updated on our progress.



WISHING YOU ALL A BLESSED
CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW
YEAR FROM PIONEER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Here is a list of current committees. If you are inactive or active and would like to be removed please let a council member know. If you would like to join a committee also let a council member know so we can fill spots to have active and effective committees for 2022. Thanks.

2021 NOMINATING COMMITTEE-
KEVIN QUAIL, MIKE PETERSE, VAL HICKS

AUDITING COMMITTEE- PAUL
NEPODAL, MJ POWERS, RON TOLRUD
& ARLENE MADSEN

HEAD USHER-MIKE THOMPSON with
help from Tod Wells

TREASURE ASSISTANT- BILL
POWERS, GLENN THOMPSON, LARRY
HOLLER, TOD WELLS

LIFE & SPIRIT COMMITTEE-DANA
CROOKS, KAREN RONNE,
& MJ POWERS

CEMETERY BOARD- MIKE
THOMPSON, CHARLOTTE
MICKLESON, ARLENE MADSEN, MIKE
PETERSEN & BILL POWERS

FESTIVAL-KERI SKROCH, NANCY
CROOKS, MIKE & JULIE PETERSEN &
SONIA NUPEN

THRIVENT CORDINATORS-LARRY &
SUE HOLLER, BILL
POWERS

FACILITY COMMITTEE-KEVIN
QUAIL, KERI SKROCH, BRAD NUPEN &
TOD WELLS





MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- December 7th Call Committee meetings 6pm
- December 9th St Dysmas visit
- December 12 5pm Christmas Caroling meet at McKnight Community Hall
- December 24th Christmas Eve candlelight services 5pm
- Jan 1 – Newsletter articles due to Julie Petersen (email to jmpete@itctel.com)
- Jan 5 Life in Spirit 6 pm
Church Council 7 pm
- January 23rd Annual Meeting following church services January 30th back up date
- January 31st Pastor Pam's last day
- We need Monthly Cleaners, Readers, and coffee servers
- We continue to collect Hy-Vee receipts, so remember to bring yours.
- Please remember to bring your donations for the Brookings Food Pantry. Your contributions are a blessing to others.



DECEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
READERS: DEC PATTY THOMPSON JAN KEVIN AND LAURA	CLEANERS: DEC JULIE PETERSEN JAN CHARLOTTE/LAURA		1 6 PM LIFE IN SPIRIT 7 PM CHURCH COUNCIL	2	3	4
5 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM PRAISE WORSHIP	6	7 6 PM CALL COMMITTEE MEETING	8	9 4 PM ST DYSMAS VISIT	10	11
12 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM WORSHIP/HOLY COMMUNION 5PM CAROLING	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP MEAL 11:30-1:30	20	21	22	23	24	
26 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10AM WORSHIP	27	28	29	30	31	
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