



ALMA LUTHERAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

January 2019

Alma Lutheran Church - Council Meeting Minutes - December 20, 2018 - 7 pm

1. Opening Devotion – “Mary, Song of Praise” (Luke 1:46) led by Angie Johnson
2. Adoption of Agenda
 - Motion to adopt agenda by Jason, 2nd by Kim. Motion passed
3. Secretary's Report
 - Motion to accept by Weston, 2nd by Lana to approve November minutes. Motion passed.
4. Treasurers Report
 - Motion to accept treasurer's report by Angie, 2nd by Jason. Motion passed.
5. Old Business
 - a. Parsonage Project
 - i. Design plans from Lowe's reviewed and discussed. General consensus that the plans will be agreed to, pending design modifications (i.e., minus cabinet, Paul Davis bid, etc.).
 - ii. Paul Davis to do the flooring and walls.
 - iii. Property Committee to line up contractors to do the plumbing and electrical work.
 - iv. Anticipate a total commitment of \$31,000-32,000 to be covered by insurance. Council will consider how to cover costs exceeding that amount, including the use of memorial funds.
 - b. Call Committee – no update
 - c. AED – Jason and Jeff to install
6. New Business
 - a. Calendar of Events
 - i. December 24 – Christmas Eve. 9pm. “Lessons and Carols” format. Led by Dale Nygren.
 - ii. January 6 – Epiphany Sunday with Grace in Swedeburg.
 - iii. Nominating and Auditing Committees need to meet to slate candidates in the next 2-3 weeks.
 - b. Guest Speaker – Brenda Halbmaier requested a date/time to be a guest speaker at a Sunday service. Council agreed Brenda could fill “sermon time” on either the 10th or 24th of February.
 - c. Baptismal Boxes – no update
 - d. 150-Year Celebration – Reminder, Bishop Maas is scheduled to be at Alma on January 12, 2020.
 - e. Annual Meeting – Scheduled for January 27, 2019. Time, TBD.
7. Committee Reports
 - Property (covered)
 - Christian Education/Youth – Great Christmas Program!
 - Worship/Music – all set for Christmas Eve
 - Evangelism/Fellowship/Social Outreach
 - o Swedish Smorgasbord well-attended.
 - o Need to use sign in NE corner of church property to ‘advertise’ service times.
 - o Discussed desire to set up a group notification system to inform members when they are scheduled to participate in services (i.e., greeter, lector, communion assistant, etc.). Email or text notices, similar to those done for choirs and for adverse weather announcements.
 - Stewardship
 - o Survey completed.
 - o Plan ready to be implemented beginning in January. Approximately once/month.
 - Memorial and Financial Secretary
 - o Time to order envelopes and send final giving statements.
 - o Discussed ‘anonymous giving’ pledge plan.
 - Cemetery – no report
8. Adjourn – motion by Kim, 2nd by Lynn. Motion passed.
9. Closing Prayer

Next Meeting – January 27, immediately following the Annual Meeting. Organizational purposes only.

ACTIVITIES

Children's Sunday School - 9:15am every Sunday except the 1st Sunday of the month. Ages 3 years old through 8th grade. Meets in the basement of the church. Contact Moriah Nygren for more information.

Adult Bible Study - Meets at 9:30am every Sunday except the first Sunday of the month. Meets in the room behind the altar. Contact Doug Gustafson for more information.

Youth Group - For 7th grade through 12th grade. Contact Megan and Weston Engel for more information.

Hope Circle - Meets the fourth Tuesday mornings of the month at 9:30am. Location varies. Contact Janice Gustafson for more information.

Faith Circle (MGM) - Meets the third Thursday at 1:30pm @ Bethlehem in Wahoo. Contact Angie Johnson for more information.

Chat & Sew - Meets the 1st Tuesday at 8:30am. Contact Sharon Hollst or Lana Krumpus for more information.

Prayer Shawls - Meet the second and fourth Saturday mornings from 9-11am. Contact Viki Miller for more information.

Book Club - Location and date varies. Contact Viki Miller for more information.



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BUDGET

As of 12/27/18

Income: \$79,584.11

Expenses: \$57,303.63

Balance: \$22,280.48

World Hunger 2018: \$433.59

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you!

Thank you to Tracy, Moriah, Megan and all who had a hand in helping with the children's Christmas program and meal. It was a great program. We appreciate all you do!

Thank you!

Thank you to Todd Valley for providing poinsettias for the Christmas services.

Snow Removal

The snow removal lists have been handed out. If you did not receive one, there are extra copies in the narthex and it is available on the website.

Alert Notifications

If you are able to receive text notifications and have not received any from the church in the past, please email almalutheran@gmail.com and request to be added. If you do not receive texts, emails or have social media, please notify Jess Miller how you would like to be contacted in emergencies or last minute worship changes.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting has been scheduled for January 27th, 7:00 pm. If you have any reports to complete, please get them to Jess Miller as soon as possible.

INFORMATION

Council Co-Chair Contact

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MISSION STATEMENT

Disciples by grace, Growing in faith, Living our hope, Sharing God's love.

ANNOUNCE. CONT.

January 6th Service

There will not be a worship service at Alma on Jan. 6th, 2019.

We have accepted an invitation from Grace Lutheran Church to join them in worship on Epiphany Sunday, Jan. 6th, 2019. The service will include music provided by area churches. The service will be at 10 AM with a potluck dinner following. Please bring a salad or hot dish. The church address is 827 Co. Rd. 18.

Un-Decorating

We will take down Christmas decorations on January 13th following service. Please consider staying around to help.

January Supply Pastor Schedule

Jan. 6th - Epiphany celebration at Grace Lutheran

Jan. 13th - Stewardship Presentation

Jan. 20th - Pr. Jim Lohmeyer

Jan. 27th - Pr. Robert Rademacher

Who is Serving

01/06/19

Ushers
Acolyte
Lectors
Greeters
Assistant
Communion

Worship at Grace Lutheran



01/13/19

Ushers
Acolyte
Lectors
Greeters
Assistant
Communion

PJ and Blaine Nicola
Matt and Chris
Dale Nygren
Lana Krumpus
Adam Miller
June Moline

January Birthdays

- 4 – Paul Thorson
- 5 – Alma Lutheran Church
- 11 – Emmett Couch
- 12 – Glenn Nelson
- 12 – Joel Moline
- 18 – Reece Richards
- 25 – Jordan Moline
- 29 – June Moline
- 30 – Timothy Hughes

01/20/19

Ushers
Acolyte
Lectors
Greeters
Assistant
Communion

Jeff, Matt and Chris Hanson
Kaitlyn and Janie
Janie Munter
Vern and Lisa Taylor
Doug Gustafson
June Moline

* Please help us keep this list current by notifying the secretary of any corrections or additions. Thank you.

01/27/19

Ushers
Acolyte
Lectors
Greeters
Assistant
Communion

Jason Felty and Adam Miller
Jacob and Isaac
Moriah Wellman
Doug and Janice Gustafson
Dale Nygren
June Moline

02/03/19

Ushers
Acolyte
Lectors
Greeters
Assistant
Communion

Doug Gustafson and Vern Taylor
Justin and Ava
Kim Thorson
Leland and Lynn Nygren
Mary Hanson
June Moline

December 2018

January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day 8:30 am Chat & Sew	2	3	4	5
6 10:00 am Service at Grace Lutheran	7	8	9	10	11	12 9:00 am Prayer Shawls 10:00 am Panara available
13 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	14	15	16	17 1:30 pm MGM Bible Study	18	19
20 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	22 8:30 am Hope Circle	23	24	25	26 9:00 am Prayer Shawls
27 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 7:00 pm Annual Meeting	28	29	30	31		