

**CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**CTK Church Council Agenda**  
**5/15/2018 @ 5:00pm**

*Christ the King Lutheran Church is a caring community committed to empower all to know Christ and make Christ known.*

- 1. Attendance**
- 2. Devotions**
- 3. The Big Question**
- 4. Approval of Minutes (April)**
- 5. Consent Agenda: (Treasurer's, Worship Attendance, Pastors' Reports)**
- 6. Council Priority Topic:** Financial Leadership Team (see CTK Finance Leadership Team Charter document in the google drive)
- 7. Old Business:**
  - a. Stewardship Mission Team Update
  - b. Nominating Committee Update
- 8. New Business:**
  - a. Preliminary Budget Considerations
- 9. Council Action: NONE**
- 10. Covenant Commission Communication**
- 11. Prayer Request/Adjournment**

**Reminder – Next Council Meeting – June 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Please email commission minutes to [justinec@ctkmankato.org](mailto:justinec@ctkmankato.org)  
by 10AM on June 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**  
**Council Minutes April 17, 2018**

**Members Present:** Pam Krahmer-Secretary, Pastor Trish Reedstrom, Chastity Valvick-President, Matt Norland, Pastor Patrick, Kate Hansen, Sandy Hasse, Jim Armbruster, Katie Wayne-Treasurer, Jason Beal (Vice President), Eric Hudspith, Mary Peters

**Members Absent:** Sara Hansen-Past President, Scott Nelsen

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by president Chastity Valvick.

**Devotions:** Pastor Patrick

**Approval of Minutes** – Matt/Sandy made a motion to approve March 20, 2018 council minutes. (Motion approved)

**Consent Agenda** – Kate/Mary made a motion to approve the March 2018 Treasurer's Reports, Pastors' Reports, and Attendance Report. (Motion approved)

**Pastor's Report** – See report

**Treasurer's Report** – We are currently up to date with Quickbooks through December 31. The reports for January, February, and March should be available next month. Payroll will be handled through the new software.

**Attendance Report** – See report

**Council Priority Topic** – Finance Committee – Pastor Patrick outlined ideas for a proposed Finance Committee. He will consider various existing models and make some recommendations to discuss at the next meeting.

**Old Business** –

- Stewardship Mission Team Update – We have currently received 108 online pledges for an amount of \$159,927 and 175 paper pledges for \$372,609. Totals 283 pledges out of 800+ families for a pledged total of \$532,536. This is about 100 families fewer in pledged giving from this time last year, and \$200,000 below where we would like to be in pledged giving. An email will be sent to all members who have not yet made pledges.
- Financial Administrator Position – Continuing to work with Clarissa from Eide Bailey as well as Gordon Gibbs from our congregation to handle responsibilities.
- Emergency Shelter – second opportunity - our second week of hosting went well and volunteers stepped forward to help. The emergency shelter will be closing for the season this month and will be hosting an end-of-year thank you event for the volunteers. The shelter is now closed for the season. We will discuss supporting this again next year. If continuing in the future we may add a budget item for expenses related to cleaning following a week of the shelter.
- Nominating Committee – we have confirmed six members for the nominating committee; Jason Beal, Eric Hudspith, Jodi Wallschlaeger, John Kind, Kate Hansen, and Kari Young. We will be seeking to fill (2) 3-year terms, one year of an unfulfilled term, and re-election of the treasurer position.

**New Business –**

- a) Budgeting Process – Commissions will be asked to consider budget requests next month and will be reviewed by the Executive Council next month, then presented to the council. Budget will need to be approved at the June council meeting, prior to the annual meeting, possibly on June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Council Action –**

- a) Eric/Jason made a motion to appoint John Love to the Servant Commission. (Motion passed)
- b) Sandy/Mary made a motion to approve the names listed for the nominating committee. (Motion passed)

**Covenant Commission Communication** – Word and Sacrament will be asking for feedback from parents over the next few weeks.

**Closing Prayer** – The meeting closed with prayer requests.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** May 15, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Kraemer, Secretary

## **Strategic Planning 2015 - Strategies By Goal (REVIEW 10/17)**

### **Goal 1 – CTK is a caring community committed to empower all people**

1. Increase engagement of CTK members by 10% within the next 12 months from the start of implementation. (FP1) – Scott Nelson (revised opportunity pledge forms but measurement system not implemented)
2. Create 3 new initiatives that address the need to be more welcoming to all (by Sept 2016). (FP2) – Sue Raasch – Catherine Berg – Darla Austin (moved welcome ctr, suggested new round tables, Sunday coffee fellowship being tried at new location in narthex)
3. Create a facility mission team by Feb 2016 to oversee the usage, operations, and safety of the church facility currently and into the future. (FP3) Lynn Austin-Dave Raasch (hired new facilities manager and perceived need for this no longer existed)
4. Implement 5 new initiatives that enhance the care of creation by July 1, 2016. FP4) – John Frey (done but more possible – composting, high-efficiency roof, LED lighting upgrade, 40 kwh of solar panels installed on roof, high-efficiency heat pump HVAC installed, bike racks mounted by garage door)
5. Increase discipleship of service opportunities outside of CTK by 100 additional people and tell their story by Nov 1, 2016. (Pro3) – Matt Norland (Arbor Day tree planting, variety of Nov service projects, God’s Work, Our Hands Rally Day)
6. To create and maintain Care Groups, encompassing all members, providing servant care, including but not limited to meals, prayers, and visits to begin in 2017. (Ser1) – Jodie Wallschlager (new member mission team)
7. Create a culture that maximizes volunteerism at CTK by Jan 2017. (JP3) - OPEN

### **Goal 2 – To Know Christ**

1. Provide opportunities for people to dive deeper into scripture by May 1, 2016. (WS1) – OPEN (FB Live staff devos, Theology on the Ave)
2. Create 3 faith formation opportunities for all ages by Rally Day 2016. (WS2) – Barbie Doyle & Gerri DeWitte (B3, baptismal class, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bible class, Faith In Motion services)
3. Create a consistent schedule of adult education opportunities based on biblical and historical relevance on current social issues beginning in fall 2016. (JP2) – Nancy Patterson (lots of research done but none currently implemented)

### **Goal 3 – Make Christ Known**

1. In 2 months identify a signature event presented by CTK to the greater community. (WS3) – Jim Hatleli (expanded Dreams, Visions and Promises event)
2. To create and implement a communications plan aimed at the CTK congregation and Greater Mankato Community by July 1, 2016. (Pro1) – Kevin Klandrud (done – communications specialist uses as monthly guide to messaging)

3. Create 3 new opportunities to better connect with the Greater Mankato Community outside the walls of CTK by Christmas 2016. (Pro2) - Anna Thill (Night to Unite, Mankato Marathon Cheer Team)
4. To increase volunteer involvement of our members through new servant opportunities including a host for Wednesday night supper and Senior High servant night by Jan 2016. (Ser2) – Cindy Kehoe (Community Supper greeter done, senior high students volunteering for carnival, Wednesday worship involvement expanded to readers, ushers, etc.)
5. Increase the CTK knowledge-base of community groups addressing the J & P issues (within 6 mos) and provide access to increase CTK involvement by 2017. (JP1) Elaine Lilly (lots of research completed to align list with CTK focus but usable format not identified)

# Pastoral Report

## CTK Ministries 2018

### May Senior Pastor's Report – Pastor Patrick Patterson

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#### Administrative

- *Financials* – after an extensive process of audit and transition to a more robust Quickbooks form of processes and recording, we feel great confidence in the accounting at CTK. After reissuing the December report, and with the data entry efforts of Gordon, Clarissa was able to methodically complete the January, February and March numbers which were sent out for review previously. The April numbers will be complete in time for the council meeting and provide us with a reliable and positive picture of finances thus far.
- *Stewardship Mission Team* – Gordon has entered all the pledges into ACS and we're in the process of determining who still has pledges outstanding. We will have up-to-date pledge results at the meeting.
- *Synod Assembly* – the annual synod assembly was held in Mankato on May 4-5. Our band and choir members provided music during the worship service Saturday. There is a formal procedure to nominate candidates for a new bishop who will be elected at next year's assembly if CTK wants to put a name forward to be our next synod bishop.
- *Budget Process* – each of the commissions have reviewed their budgets and have offered suggestions for the coming year which begins July 1, 2018. Those budgets will be rolled into a complete budget to be discussed at the May council meeting. Final decisions for a balanced budget will occur based on our stewardship pledge drive results, and the council will approve the final FY 2018-19 budget to be presented for approval at the annual meeting.
- *Nominating Committee* – The CTK 2018 Nominating committee made up of Jason Beal, Kate Hansen, Eric Hudspeth, John Kind, Jodie Wallschlaeger and Kari Young met on April 22 to consider nominees for the council elections. They are looking to fill the treasurer position, a three-year term for the VP, President, Past President position, a three-year term that would be the liaison to Justice & Peace, and a one-year unexpired term that would be liaison to Faithful People. They have secured at least one nominee thus far and are working to contact nominees to get acceptance for all the positions.

#### Personnel

- *Review of Personnel Handbook* – the personnel committee started a review process of the CTK personnel handbook, and are looking at a variety of updates to make it more relevant for the future of our staff. The changes will be presented for approval by the council when complete.
- *Staff transitions* – Chef Renee Retzlaff took on a new fulltime position as director at Ecumen Pathstone earlier this year but has continued on as chef at CTK through this season. She will be done here in June, but is helping us identify and transition to a new chef to replace her. After 10 years as our junior high youth director, Mandy Rubink has given notice of her departure to become a special ed teacher in the St. Cloud school district. Both her and Devin's families live in that area. Devin is our communications specialist. They're in the process of buying/selling homes and so their departure date is anticipated as sometime before mid-July. We are currently evaluating potential options for how best to structure the ministry for current and future needs.

## **Facilities**

- *Summer projects* – with the facilities schedule changing dramatically with the conclusion of the program year, our facilities manager is eyeing a number of projects over the summer. Some painting, deep cleaning and the installation of the DQ machine in the kitchen will be some of the priorities.

## **Proclaim Commission**

- *Budget* – the main topic this month was on budget decisions for the upcoming year. Although we've improved and expanded our worship streaming options, we've been able to do so without increased expense. Much of the advertising expenses for the Cantata and Advent recital series were funded by the free-will offerings from those events so advertising is actually below budget now.

## **Justice & Peace Commission**

- *Shopping bags* – the commission has researched options for reusable shopping bags and is moving forward with an order of 1,000. These bags will be offered for sale as a way to reduce waste and increase visibility for CTK in the community. The slight profit from the sales will allow the commission to offer the remaining bags as a gift to visitors at our Pridefest booth in September.

## **Word & Sacrament Commission**

- *Education Feedback* – families were given the opportunity to provide feedback about potential schedule changes for the Wednesday and Sunday sessions of Kids Klub/JAM and Rainbow Room following discussion at the commission meeting last month. The results were fairly closely divided but will be used as staff prepares for our next season of Christian education. They're now gearing up for summer programming.

## Pastoral Report

### CTK Ministries 2018

### May Associate Pastor's Report – Pastor Trish Reedstrom

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#### Worship:

- In addition to the Easter Sunday services, it was fun to preach with Pastor Patrick on our blizzard Sunday. ☺
- Both of us also assisted with Crossroads worship services again this month.

#### Pastoral Care/Outreach:

- Funeral for Chloris Carson was this month, regular home visits as time permitted.
- Finished up one premarital series of sessions for a June wedding.

#### Education and Youth:

- The CLUB9 celebration on April 29 went well, with good attendance (22/29 students were able to attend). Thanks to Pastor John, Mandy, Maddi, and Garrett for helping make the celebration meaningful, including a remembrance for a former member of the class who died a couple years ago. Videos and pictures also went well. Based on feedback received during the interviews I plan on continuing the curriculum developed for this past year, with tweaks, of course.
- First Communion was held on Maundy Thursday for 13 young people.
- Maddi is planning graduation recognition for Wednesday, May 9.
- This will be a time of transition in much of the education ministries. We said goodbye to Lydia Jagendinski who volunteered with Wendy and Justine this year, and will be saying good bye to Mandy Rubink this summer as she leaves CTK and the area to take a SPED teaching position in St. Cloud. We wish her the very best, and will do a sending closer to her time of departure. Regarding replacement of her position, I am trying to do a little bit of research at this point, and am exploring the possibility of combining junior and senior high ministry into one position. We wonder if that might provide more possibilities for recruitment as well as more continuity and opportunity for relationship building with young people. The downside is its one less “body”. Maddi Courier will be helping us out a bit this summer as well but she then leaves for a semester abroad in late August.
- We also said thank you to Mary Beth Patterson for her many years of faithful music ministry. She will leave a large hole to be filled! A small group met to do some initial planning for next year's children's Christmas program, and we've enlisted the help of Pastor John to help write a new program for next year that we hope to have done by the end of August. Garrett, Wendy and Justine will be meeting in May to talk about music in children's ministry in the absence of Mary Beth as we look ahead to next year.
- We've done some initial calendar planning for next year. There will be quite a bit of programmatic transition happening this year as well. First, we've decided to move 6<sup>th</sup> grade back out of CLUB and into Kid's Klub, doing a specific curriculum and lessons for 5 and 6 grades. Wendy is planning on using some of the rotation model but expanding into other teaching areas as well, including prayer stations, physical activity, etc. Second, we will firm up the curriculum then for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders as Mandy had tried some different things this year. I expect to do some curriculum development for this grades this summer, and continue to have the next youth ministry leader teach, as Mandy has been doing for a number of years.
- You may also remember our “year of mini-experiments” in children's ministry. As we do some planning for next year there are some areas that seemed to be most successful that we will continue



and expand. For example, we were pleased with our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bible lab last fall, and will add a “Bible Lab 2.0” for 4<sup>th</sup> graders, and then a special session of “Stewardship 1.0” for 5<sup>th</sup> graders while continuing quilt making with 6<sup>th</sup> graders and our quilters for a “Stewardship 2.0” for that grade. These will be parent/children sessions. We also want to do “God’s Work Our Hands” again this fall, the Intro to Lent, again, etc.

- For B3 classes we will be trying two 3-week sessions in the fall and spring rather than spreading them out throughout the year as we did this past year.
- Finally, there are some scheduling changes for education that we hope to implement – the information will be coming to council via the Word and Sacrament Commission. That was a lot – and there’s probably something I forgot!

#### Continuing Education

- A second leadership retreat was held in April. I also have monthly or close to monthly meetings and work with a smaller cohort of peers.
- This really isn’t continuing ed, but I was asked to serve on the Synod Candidacy Committee and will begin that work (they meet 3x/year) this month.

#### Commissions

- Faithful People ended up cancelling their May 6 celebration but will try a couple activities this summer where people are invited to come out for an activity and time of fellowship. Watch the newsletter, Good News, etc. for more details.
- Servant Commission finalized their plans for the grill out/potluck to kick off the May outdoor worship season, with special invites to new members.

# **Christ the King Lutheran Church**

## **Executive Committee, May 8, 2018**

**Members Present:** Jason Beal (Vice President), Pam Kraemer (Secretary), Pastor Patrick, Chastity Valvick (President), Sara Hansen (Past President)

**Members Absent:** Katie Wayne (Treasurer), Pastor Trish  
The meeting was called to order at 3:40 pm by President Chastity Valvick.

**Devotions:** Pastor Patrick

**Treasurer Report:** Reports year to date through April are now available. See Treasurer's Report.

**Pastors' Reports:** See reports

### **Old Business:**

- Stewardship Mission Team Update – Current pledges of \$567,688 have been made. Last year we had pledged income of \$705,306, which is \$137,678 above where we are so far. There are 132 people who have not yet renewed pledges for this year that did pledge last year, for a difference of \$175,000.
- Nominating Committee – Still in progress.

### **New Business:**

- Financial Leadership Team – proposed charter – Will be prepared to review at council meeting next week.
- Preliminary Budget Considerations – reviewed possible changes to budget amounts.

**Covenant Commission Communications** – none

Pastor Patrick closed the meeting with prayer requests. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

## **Next meeting June 12, 2018, 3:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted, Pam Kraemer, Secretary

## **Christ the King Lutheran Church Covenant Commission Reports**

**Name of Commission:** Faithful People

**Date of Meeting:** May 1, 2018

**Members Present:** Scott Nelsen, Pastor Trish, Carol Peterson, Sandy Hasse, Bill Bickett

**Members Absent:**

**Devotions:**

**Minutes:** Approved the minutes from April 2018

**Old Business:**

- Discussed the Wow Zone event and possibilities for make it work in the future; Could add it to the end of a service event
- Discussed Shrek – play at MSU. Will advertise it, but will not coordinate additional logistics

**New Business:**

- Discussed Moon Dogs event – keep it simple; do not commit to needing sign up.
- People like casual – i.e. Theology on Ave. Conversations starters
- PB and J – Pizza, Root Beer and Jesus – another idea for youth
- No pressure – no commitment “ There is a group going – join us”
- **i.e. Shrek – join us at Cold Stone after the play ( June 27 Wednesday) – will publicize this now**
- **Moon Dogs game – when Pastor John sings National Anthem; Tav on the Ave after. Trish will check to see the date.**
- Discussed having a boat party on Lake Washington – Amy Koch could sing; Could also do this at Indian Island
- **Highway clean up – meet at Big Dogs after. Trish will talk to Servant Commission. Pick a day.**

**Budget:**

- Budget – last year 5K and next year 5K; questioned the line item on junior high expense – looks as if there is an adjustment; no a carry forward; no major changes
- Sandy moved to approve the budget; Bill second the motion. Approving recommendation that the budget remain the same.

**Next Meeting:** no meeting scheduled for June

**Respectfully Submitted:** Carol Peterson

# **Christ the King Lutheran Church**

## **Covenant Commission Reports**

**Name of Commission:** **Word & Sacrament**

**Date of Meeting:** **May 1, 2018**

**Members Present:** Pastor Patrick, Pastor Trish, Randy Moritz, Jessica DuRose, Kris Norland, Jason Fette, Jim Armbruster (council liaison), Matt Norland (council liaison)

**Members Absent:** Jodi Maas

**Call to Order:** Matt N, Interim Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

**Devotions:** Matt N

**Approval of the April 10, 2018, Meeting Minutes:**

- Motion made/seconded by Kris N/Jessica D to approve the minutes - motion passed

**Council Report:**

- Budget – updating the process
- Emergency Shelter – completed second week
- Nominating Committee – working on open Council positions

**Items for Council Action:**

- 2018-19 Schedule changes for Rainbow Room, JAM, Kids Klub, CLUB
- 2018-19 W & S budget recommendation

**Pastoral Report:** Pastor Patrick

- SE MN Synod Conference May 4 & 5 (3-6 reps) – electing new bishop next year
- Personnel handbook (compliance updates since 1997/2006)
- Budget
  - Re-issued December statement - Jan/Feb/Mar financials all in
  - Drafted charter for new financial leadership team

**Pastoral Report:** Pastor Trish

- 2018-19 schedule changes (after parent surveys)
  - Sunday 9:30am Rainbow Room and JAM grades 1-6
  - Wednesday 5:30pm Rainbow Room and Kids Klub grades 1-4
  - Wednesday 7:07pm Kids Klub grades 5-6 and CLUB 7-8-9
  - Goal: children worship with families and attend education classes
  - Motioned/seconded by Jessica D/Randy M to begin Fall 2018 - motion passed
- 2018-19 continue Intro to Lent, God's Work/Our Hands, Bible Lab and Stewardship

**Staff Report:**

- Preparing for mid-July vacancies: Director of Middle School Ministries, Director of Senior High Ministries, Communications Specialist and Community Supper Chef

**Old Business:**

- Congregational Engagement SWOT analysis moved to June agenda

**New Business:**

- W & S Budget planning
  - W & S budget represents 2% of the total church budget
  - Recent W & S monthly expenses exceeded budget
  - Reviewed expense line items – supportive of all requests for additional amounts
  - FCC regulations affect pastoral mics and projection computer out-of-date
  - Discussed operating expenses vs capital expenditures (5+ years of life)
  - Suggest sharing capital needs list with congregation (telephones etc)
  - Motion made/seconded by Kris N/Jason F to approve the 2018-19 W & S budget - motion passed

**Prayer Requests Received**

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion made/seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:15PM

**Next Meeting:** June 5 - 6PM (first Tuesday of each month/no July meetings)  
Forward agenda items prior to meetings

**Next Devotions:** TBA

**Respectfully Submitted:** Kris N

The Word and Sacrament Commission, based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> affirmation of faith promise to hear the Word of God and share in the Lord's Supper, shall:

- Direct and oversee curriculum planning; development and review for all educational programs & opportunities for all including Sunday & Vacation Bible School; confirmation; youth and adults in our church and community
- Provide worship enrichment, sacramental participation, education opportunities and fellowship ministries

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**  
**Covenant Commission Reports**

**Name of Commission:** Proclaim  
**Date of Meeting:** May 1, 2018

**Members Present:** Devin Rubink, Patrick Patterson, Eric Hudspeth, Kevin Klanderud

**Commission Budget Discussion**

- Commission moved to request a budget of \$5,000 for the upcoming fiscal year to cover expenses for coffee fellowship and upgrading website to complete mobile-friendly design.
- Reviewed Commission submission form: <https://goo.gl/forms/XZyKCGihp6yDC7Wk1>
  - We noticed dates for requested help were fast-approaching or had passed, so plan to review each month following commission meetings in order to bring items to our own attention easier.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, June 5 at 5:30pm

Submitted by Devin Rubink

## **Christ the King Lutheran Church Covenant Commission Reports**

**Name of Commission:** Servant  
**Date of Meeting:** May 3, 2018

**Members Present:** Cindy, Naomi, Todd, John, Mary from the council, and Pastor Trish.

### **Call to order**

- Cindy called the meeting to order.
- Devotion read by Todd

### **Approval of minutes from the last meeting**

- The minutes were reviewed from the last meeting and approved without change.

### **Old Business**

- Two power point slide presentations completed, a few still need to be completed. Cindy will get the presentations to Al. Power points of the community groups we support will be shown before services.
- Reviewed the budget. Todd motioned that the line items remain the same and if the budget is more, each line item will increase by that percentage. The motion was seconded and passed.
- Looking for 4-6 new members, people with free time, positivity and motivation, worker bees, ideas, planning and organizing skills. John Love was approved by the council and attended the meeting.
- Continuation of the Tail gate planning for May 16<sup>th</sup> outdoor service. Invites went out to new members and Pastor Trish will make sure the rest of the congregation gets invited.

### **New Business**

- Tabled for next meeting- planning an intergenerational mission trip.

### **Pastor update:**

None

### **Adjournment**

Cindy adjourned the meeting.  
Naomi submitted the minutes.

## **Christ the King Lutheran Church Covenant Commission Reports**

**Name of Commission:** Justice & Peace

**Date of Meeting:** April 5, 2018

**Members Present:** Nancy Patterson, Emma Norland, Kate Hansen, John Frey, Eileen Campbell, Pastor Patrick

**Members Absent:**

**Summary of Key Items discussed at meeting:**

- New Member Welcome: J&P was glad to have Eileen Campbell join our commission for her first meeting.
- ISALIAH Faith in Democracy: The majority of our meeting was an informative discussion with two ladies from ISALIAH. They shared about their group and how CTK could potentially become a part of it. They are a coalition of over 100 congregations in Minnesota working to create healthy, safe & thriving communities. They are a non-partisan grassroots organization that works with policy makers to address issues like causes of concentrated poverty and racial inequities. Overall, our commission was impressed and decided to further discuss any involvement at our May meeting.
- Reusable Bag Sale: We still have not gotten the sample of the fold-up style bags. We are going to wait to look at the samples before making a final decision.
- Earth Day: John Frey made an excellent suggestion that we should do something for Earth Day on April 22<sup>nd</sup> during worship. The focus for 2018 is to reduce plastic consumption. We are going to put in the Good News and on display simple ways to reduce plastic in your daily life. Patrick is preaching that Sunday and will incorporate into his message about caring for God's creation. John is going to summarize the green efforts CTK has already done over the past several years. We may also add a temple talk or short video to highlight the dangers of plastic waste in the ocean.

**Items for Council Action:**

No items for the council this month.

**Next Meeting:** May 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 pm

**Respectfully Submitted:** Nancy Patterson



## **Christ the King Lutheran Church Covenant Commission Reports**

**Name of Commission:** Justice & Peace

**Date of Meeting:** May 3, 2018

**Members Present:** Nancy Patterson, Emma Norland, Kate Hansen, John Frey, Eileen Campbell, Pastor Patrick

**Members Absent:**

**Summary of Key Items discussed at meeting:**

- Reusable Bag Sale: We are moving forward with the bag sale purchase. The decision by the group was to go with just one bag style, the less expensive option. The order will be for 1000 bags at a cost of \$1.36/bag, a \$50 set-up and shipping costs. Kate is going to send out the logos for an email vote after adding the CTK website address and then work with Emma to get them ordered. We will coordinate the sale at our next meeting.
- Earth Day: All felt the focus at worship on Earth Day was successful and we will make this an annual event for J&P to plan.
- Highway Cleanup: We have set May 20<sup>th</sup> as the date for our spring clean-up with June 3<sup>rd</sup> as a rain date. We are hoping as it is the first day of a single worship service that it may attract additional support. Patrick will let others know so it gets published in the Good News and added to the announcements. Participants are encouraged to come to church dressed for clean-up.
- Composting: Before opening up to the congregation, we have agreed we need to get better signage for the dumpsters to avoid contamination. Once the signage is addressed, we will continue to educate the congregation and encourage participation. Kate made the suggestion for us to start composting our paper towels in the bathrooms. Patrick will coordinate with Rick. We are hoping to get Amy Olsen signed up for the Zero Waste newsletter so we can add notices to the Good News about composting occasionally.
- ISALIAH Faith in Democracy: Following up from our visit from ISALIAH in April, the J&P commission feels it is important that we begin to participate at some level. John met with ISALIAH again after our meeting and learned it would be \$250 to join as a commission or about \$2500 to join as a congregation. John Frey made a motion to use money from the Christian Outreach fund to join at the \$250 commission level, Emma Norland seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Solar Garden: Kate has been getting continued requests from asking how J&P can help to spread the word about the solar garden project. As a group, we agreed that we do not have enough information about the project to be comfortable encouraging others to join. Kate had previously requested follow-up information with no response to date.
- J&P Budget: We had a discussion around the lack of a budget for the J&P commission and feel it may be time to request from the council. Understanding the need to have a data based request, we have decided to track our expenses throughout the next fiscal year and make a formal request to the council for the next budget. Line items would include expenses like Pridefest Booth & ISALIAH membership.
- J&P Secretary: Kate Hansen has graciously offered to become J&P secretary once her council term is over. Thanks to her!

**Items for Council Action:**

No items for the council this month.

**Next Meeting:** June 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm

**Respectfully Submitted:** Nancy Patterson