

Church Council Monthly Update

In order to continue to grow in our communication to the congregation each month in the Newsletter we will share an update from the previous Council meeting, full minutes for the Council Can be found by clicking here...

Woodbury Lutheran Church Council Meeting Monday, March 9th 2020 6:30am – 8:30am		
Item	Presenter	Action
Call to Order & Quorum Determination	Renee	Approval
Devotions/Prayer	Pastor Tom/Renee	
Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> February Meeting Minutes February Financial Report 	Brian Mark	Approval
Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sr. Pastor Report WLC Bylaws & Council Policies – Extend updates to April meeting WLC response to Caronavirus 	Pastor Tom Renee	Information
Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on Endowments & distributions Liberty Ridge Permanent Home Project - Update and Next Steps Strategic Planning Meeting 	Tom/Linda Tom/Larry Tom	Discussion
Closing Prayer	Pastor Tom	
Adjourn		Approval

Meeting Highlights:

- Worship attendance is up almost 10% over last year, but our giving is behind where we were last year at this time. We will continue to track this and see if we need to change spending habits for the year.
- We continue to talk through the evolving situation with Coronavirus and are working hard to make sure that we are ready for possible service cancellations and so forth. We will continue to monitor the CDC for information.
- The Liberty Ridge Action Team is pricing out a much cheaper option than a traditional build through a building called Sprung for the Afton property. Members of the team will be meeting with Afton next week to discuss further details. At the same time staff is working on finding indicators that will help us better understand the proper next steps and timing for Liberty Ridge.
- In the Minnesota South District of the LCMS there are approximately 225 congregations and of those congregations nearly half have 70 or fewer in worship which makes supporting a pastor nearly impossible. This means that there will continue to be plenty of opportunities for mergers

and partnerships. Although there is nothing imminent at this time, if further steps are coming the congregation will be a part of those discussions.

- The Endowment Team is back up and meeting as we work toward a new strategy around legacy and long term giving for WLC.