

Vision Team Meeting  
February 15, 2018  
6:00 pm



Present: Pastor Ben, Pastor Greg, Carol Thalman, Roy Prigge, Margaret Schroeder, JoAnn Bliese, Coty Lund, Loretta Lundy, Sue Santelman, Jim Haugen, Pastor Kari, Brent Urke, Greg Tvrdik, Neil Jenzen

Absent: Holly Running, Amy Gesell

Open Devotion – JoAnne “What am I longing for?”

Deep and Wide Highlights –

Great Annual Meeting

Younger reading scripture on Ash Wednesday – Fist Bump

Made with Love Bake Sale – Just over \$1600 was raised

Margaret - Training to become a Celebrant did a service, it was a great God thing.

Secretary Report -

Minutes from the January 18, 2018 meeting

JoAnne (M) Margaret (S) Carried

Equipping and Engaging Leaders -

Vision Team Time Commitment

Is Thursday the right night for our meetings?

We are doing the business and visioning at the same time and need your input.

Congregational MAP

“Neighborhood Open House”

We as Pastors have been trying to figure out a way to do this?

Idea is to have some sort of neighborhood gatherings

We have a great group of people who are on our Food and Fellowship Team

JoAnne Kensinger and Beth Pappenfus are great contacts and working with the food and fellowship group.

How might we get the hosts?

June would be the best month to host these gatherings

Groups of 50 or so households – Too big of a group?

Co-Chairs to have a group gathering

Root-Beer Floats? Equipping people with what they need to do this event

Would there be a “faith twist” to the gathering?

Tinker toy as a take away – maybe a wallet card

Great Stewards of our Finances and Resources

Look at a line a credit that will tend to our needs instead of using building fund dollars

Building Fund is being used

Perception of using the building fund dollars to fund general  
Year to date Profit and Loss in January  
Redoing the offering process and the bags  
    Too extreme of a process  
    Finance Committee needs to look at this process  
Approval of the treasurers report for the month ending January 31, 2018  
    Roy(M) Neil (S) Carried

Annual Meeting –

Great feedback of the speakers and the way the information that was presented.  
People are on board with the budget process  
Trying to communicate in a way to bring positivity to the process  
Everything was very clear and concise  
Preparation was thoughtful, questions were thoughtful  
What would we do when we have 50K in extra funds?  
    What would that be like? What is the goal for people to give? Should we  
    plan an increased number next year?  
    Letting people know that their dollars are making a difference  
    If we reach this goal, this is what will happen, what could that be?  
    We should have some dollars in reserve

Pastor Kari –

Congregational Map  
Great variety in the communion bread that we have been getting  
Communion Bread Teams for consistency of baking

Pastor Ben

It's Lent – ironing the banners one hour before the service  
Worship Arts – Wondering what their purposes is  
New bulletin format – streamlined  
    Looked more beautiful and utilitarian

Pastor Greg

I don't know I could not be prouder of First Lutheran, we are not the same congregation we once were. We continue to grow, we have people doing things. This year is going to be exciting and crazy.

March 21 – Special Congregational Meeting to vote on construction and the financial plan  
    Wednesday, March 21 immediately following worship (7:15pm) in the sanctuary

Next Vision Team Meeting – Thursday, March 15 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
Greg Tvrdik  
Vision Team Secretary