

# St. Luke's Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

## July 14, 2016

**Members Present** – Fr. Larry, Vicki Berberich, Steve Wieneke, Bruce Mehlhop, Paul Carlson, Jason Hatch and Cari Higgins

**Members Absent** – Dave Enos, Nicole Lindsey, Jimmy Becker and Deacon Dan

### Opening Prayer – Father Larry

- 1. Approval of Agenda & Approval of June Minutes** - Cari moved and Jason seconded the motion to approve.
- 2. Faith/Study: Rebuilt** – Reviewed Chapter 1 – everyone agreed that they are excited to be reading the book and anxious to see how the problems are resolved in the book.
- 3. LifeTouch Pictorial Directory** – Photos will be taken 8/16-8/20 and 8/22-8/24. All members on the council are encourage to sign up to serve in one volunteer role. If you were absent from this meeting, please refer to the attached 2 page handout that lists instructions and let Steve Know what area you can help with. Father will serve as the coordinator. Cari, Bruce and other volunteers will serve as sign-up coordinators that will be present after masses the next few weekends to assist people with online sign-up. Paul & Steve will organize host coordinators to check people in at the time photos are taken.
- 4. Succession Plan for Pastoral Council – Discernment for upcoming pastoral council members** – We discussed the benefit of having members that have been at St. Luke's for at least a year and have participated on other committees or helped with parish events. In a brain storming session, current members have reached out to and invited prospective members to consider going through the discernment process or prospective members have indicated an interest in serving on the council include: Matthew Schmitt, John & Jean McPherson, Christina Yoder, Gary Olson, Tonia Land, Annette Utterbach, Donelle McNaughton, Theresa Busch, Andy Cink, Jennifer Joensen (future Ryan & Meg Schon, Tonya Althaus, Rick Bose). Additional prospective members may be added to this list. The present council requests that all additional prospective members be shared with all current members asap. Father Larry is to review the agenda and handout materials we will plan to discuss during the discernment meeting.  
**Officers elected for upcoming year** – Chairperson - Cari Higgins, Vice Chair – Jason Hatch, Recorder – will be elected during the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- 5. Parish Vision planning subcommittee** – Subject was tabled until the September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- 6. Father Larry updates** - 4 signed up to begin RCIA, Karen Danielson, Mike Haley, Pat Hand, Deacon Dan will be helping; 375 families assigned to St. Luke's.

## 7. Committee Updates –

- a. **Social Concerns** – This summer organized a work crew (with the KC's) and lunches for 2 Saturdays at a Habitat for Humanity House building projects, assisted OLIH house homeless families in the Family Promise program for a week in July, advocated for the hungry by mailing letters to Bread for the World and organized a collection of school supplies for the needy families in Ankeny.
- b. **Liturgy Committee** – “Saturday Summer Social” July 23, cupcakes & lemonade served after 4:30 mass. Ministry Fair will be August 20-21. Will have members speak at masses later this summer recruiting volunteers to serve on ministry teams during 3 masses beginning October 1-2.
- c. **Welcome Committee** – Have not met for quite some time & are going through transition. Tom Pettit will be taking over for Jed Behrens. They hosted an April new member reception and Parish picnic in June.
- d. **School Board** - No report.
- e. **Family School Association** – Summerfest parade entry; have funds raised for phase 1 of playground construction.
- f. **Stewardship Committee** – Also reading Rebuilt
- g. **Knights of Columbus** – 98 members, with 30 being recruited in past year. June 27 end of year celebration with families & installation of new officers.
- h. **Faith Formation** – St. Luke's will host the Just Faith Catholic Social Teaching Program. ALPHA for Catholics -Patty Frederichs is spearheading this program. Multiple individuals will be needed to help the event run smoothly. Volunteers will be recruited. Patsy Carlson is working with Patty on the project.
- i. **Buildings & Grounds** – Completing several warranty items. Revising the door security system to provide a computer scheduling system to unlock and lock exterior doors. Completing millwork in the additional classrooms that will be used this coming school year. Creating a design for the playground that should function for many years. Setting schedules for various inspections. Some are required by law and others are just good care of the building.

## 8. Other items for discussion -

Christ Our Life Conference, Sept. 23-25 at Wells Fargo Arena in DM. Bruce & Debbie Mehlhop are volunteer coordinators. Conference information, including volunteer help sign up will be in bulletin and on website soon. [www.christourlifeiowa.com](http://www.christourlifeiowa.com) for ticket info or to sign up to volunteer.

## 9. Next Meeting – Wednesday, August 10 @ 7pm. This will be a discernment process so no meeting agenda subjects will be discussed. Please read Rebuilt, Chapter 2.

## 10. Closing Prayer