

ALL TO THE GLORY: ANNUAL MEETING RECAP



Whatever you do, do it all to the glory
of God. *1 Corinthians 10:31*

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THE UPDATES

Despite my secret hope that these meetings will spontaneously break into a song and dance number, the annual meeting on January 28 transpired more or less as expected. Here are some highlights.

Pastor's Report

Attendance at worship and Bible studies continues to gradually increase. Homebound and college student lists have been updated.

Treasurer's Report

Thank you to all who give to our church and school in various ways! We were well above our Congregational Mission Offering (goes to Synod), and finished paying off the school roof project. Permission was given to Council to borrow up to \$30,000 if needed (not currently needed).

Board of Education Report

Enrollment is up to 37, which includes 7 new families. We have 6 non-WELS families in our school (fantastic opportunity to reach out with the Gospel!)

Mrs. Kuenn is planning to retire at the end of the school year. The Board suggests calling a part-time teacher to take her place in 1st-2nd grades. Mrs. Kollmann, who taught 4K/K for two years, is available for a part time call. The voters approved a motion to call to replace Mrs. Kuenn and we will ask the district president to put Mrs. Kollmann on our call list.

Maintenance Report

Only new item since the fall quarterly meeting is some issues with the exhaust from one of the school furnaces over the new roof. It got backed up during the sub-zero temps and caused heating (or distinct lack of heating) issues in part of the school building.

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Maintenance continued

A question was asked about the parking lot (repaving?) and no plans are in place at this time. There was also a query about adjusting the lights on the corner of the church; they are not adjustable.

Financial Secretary's Report

Thank you to our offering counters (the Mildebrandts, Michele Jacobs, and Cheri Smith! There will be? Are? special categories on offering envelopes.

Attendance/Ushering

Reminder to use gloves when handling the communion candles. Two acolytes are listed for candle lighting.

Council Elections

Dan Lueck was elected to fill out the one-year remaining in Scott Hempel's term (the Hempels moved out of state this year). Steve Utecht, Steve Jacobs, and Paul Obry were re-elected.

Outreach Report

The committee has been handing out mugs with our logo and information to first-time worship visitors and this has been well-received. A game night is being planned for the spring. A secretary and VP position have been added to committee leadership.

Long-Range Planning

The scope of facilities planning was discussed. Focus is on accessibility for those with mobility challenges and families with small children, classroom space, kitchen improvements especially in the pest and plumbing insulation departments, visibility from the street, and functionality for various groups (Sunday school, chimes, choir, Bible studies). Watch for plans (with visuals!) in the next couple months!

Assorted notes:

Official changes to SCRIP program administration was approved. Service times for regular and holiday worship were approved (no changes).

OUR PRAYER for our year:

Gracious Lord, we praise you for your gifts to our church and the whole family of believers. Help us faithfully use the resources you have given us to continue the ministry at Peace and support our brothers and sisters in your wider Church. Thank you for your grace! Amen