

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church
Minutes of the Congregation Council Retreat – February 17, 2018

Present: Brad Davis Sue Nonemaker Pr. George Schneider
 Tammy Jacobs Linda Peterson Mike Wetzel
 Ellen Kepner Marty Phillip Andy Younkin
 Beverly McCabe Sheila Saxmann

Absent: Mike Ridgely, Stacey Peterson

<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>RESULTS/FOLLOW-UP</i>
Opening Synaxis and Homily	Pastor S. read from the 6 th chapter of Mark.	

SESSIONS

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Council Procedures/Member responsibilities	Listening Post duties explained. St John's organic, level 'playing field,' task force model discussed using the Lily Pad visual. Council members will no longer be liaisons to committees, but rather will use strengths and gifts to be part of ad-hoc committees or task forces to obtain specific goals. Members will use passions to help achieve goals of the church. Reporting as part of a task force should include future outlooks and needs and should be submitted the Friday before the Executive Council Meeting (generally the first Sunday of the month). Council Member's Book of Resources distributed.	
reForm, reNew, reVision (R3)	R3 gives congregations strategies to help immerse themselves in sharing their faith both inside and outside the church walls. Pastor suggests incorporating some of these strategies in a festive way as part of St. John's 150 th year anniversary celebration. Council members invited to join the existing R3 team. "Living Lutheran," by Dave Daubert distributed and will be discussed at council meetings as part of the R3 program.	Chapters one and two of "Living Lutheran" along with the book of Acts to be discussed in March. Hymn requests will be acknowledged during the Easter season.
Emergency Response	Pastor recommends using a school district's emergency plan as a guide to create a plan for St. John.	Ad hoc committee to draft an emergency response plan prior to the March council meeting; volunteers include Linda P., Tammy J., Sue N., Andrew Y., and Sheila S. Sue N. will contact SYC Police in hopes of having an officer speak with council regarding this plan.
Pastor's Report	Pastor's report from January reviewed. Pastor amended section D 1 on page 3 as the YMCA preschool has decided not to transition to a day-care facility.	Sue N. made a motion to accept Pastor's report as amended. Andy Y. seconded. Motion Carried.

Congregational Meeting Minutes	The January 28th Congregational Meeting minutes were reviewed.	Sue N. made a motion to recommend the minutes as written for approval from the congregations. Linda P. seconded. Motion Carried.
January Council Meeting Minutes	The January 15 th Council Meeting minutes were reviewed.	Linda P. made a motion to accept the January Council Meeting minutes as written. Mike W. seconded. Motion Carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

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Concluding Worship		Retreat adjourned at 11:55.