***A Christ-centered community***

***welcoming all people and serving God through the Holy Spirit.***

**As our congregation's leaders, we hear the call to be authentic, affirming, and available.**

Council Meeting Agenda for January 18, 2022, at 7:00PM

Council members present: Pastor Gary Kinkel, Jesse Rients, Erik Vangsness, Kirsti Youngs, Aimee Johnson, Mike Laurel, Paula Brennan. Guest: Angel Zollner

**I. Gathering**

1. Call to order 7:04pm
2. *Motion to approve agenda – Pastor Gary Kinkel / Paula Brennan; carried.*
3. Scripture and prayer: Pastor Gary Kinkel – The Council in the Word: Acts 18:1-
4. Old business – St. John’s will be included in the “Welcome to the Neighborhood” brochure that is given out to people who move into Shakopee / Scott County. The brochure is printed once per year in September ($195), and although we have missed the cut-off, St. John’s will be included as a separate insert inside the brochure for half the price.
5. Mike Laurel – Snow removal company will provide salt for $60 per incident. We will route a sign-up sheet this Sunday (1/23) during worship for volunteers to check sidewalks and shovel and/or salt when needed.
6. Check with insurance company to see if there is savings / credit reflected as a result of safety / energy / equipment improvements have been made. Also, after Sean completes boiler certification.

**II. Discerning Our Mission**

1. Talking points from the Youth meeting

– Survey the congregation

– Possibly moving Sunday School education to Wednesday evenings, at the same time as confirmation.

– Further discussion next council meeting regarding “The Word on Wednesday”.

– Bring back Children’s service during regular worship until “Word on Wednesday” is up and running.

**III. Giving Thanks**

1. Treasurer’s Report – Erik Vangsness. Council will vote to approve final treasurer’s report via email.

*Motion to approve draft 2022 budget: Pastor Gary Kinkel / Kirsti Youngs; carried.*

1. *Motion to approve December council minutes: Pastor Gary Kinkel / Kirsti Youngs; carried.*

**IV. Sending**

1. Review action items established—next council meeting date **February 15, 2022**
2. Closing Prayer – Pastor Gary Kinkel
3. Adjournment – 8:36pm

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Brennan, Council Vice President

*Meeting Ground Rules: \*Keep it real,\* Everyone participates, \*Different opinions encouraged,*

*\*Disagree in private, \*Unite in public, \* Silence is agreement, \* Limit side conversations, \* Start on time, \*Follow through on action plans.*