

## February 9, 2016 Council Meeting

1. Pastor Rick opening prayer
2. Approval of minutes of Jan 12, 2016
3. Personnel report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Pastor Rick's report
6. Packathon update
7. New or old business
8. Closing prayer

Prince Of Peace Church Council Meeting Minutes (approved)  
December 8, 2015 7:00p.m.

Present: Pastor Rick Sherrill, Craig Myrmel, Steve Edgar, Brad Beebe, Greg Welch-Rowland, Carrie Goodman, Teri Traaen, Les Holland, Anita Thorne, Gail Andrews, Joy Johnson, Nicole Hilden.

Craig called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.  
Pastor Rick went over prayer requests and said the opening prayer.

Preschool update: Gail spoke about the Preschool Director, Sara Rushlow's letter of resignation. Then she introduced the candidate for her replacement, Nicole Hilden. The Council members all made introductions around the table and Nicole told us about herself and answered any questions we had. (Please see attached resume and letter from Preschool Board Chair, Kay McCartney.) The Preschool Board voted for Nicole to take over as Preschool Director. The assistant position will open up tomorrow. There will be a two part process to notify everyone.. 1) Staff 2) Parents. \* the Church Council was notified Tuesday night at this meeting. An email will be sent to employees on Wednesday and one to parents on Friday.

Craig made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of November 10, 2015. Corrections to be made: 1) add Steve Edgar to the Present list. 2) Correct the spelling of Teri Traaen's name. The minutes were unanimously approved including corrections.

Personnel Report: Gail spoke about all the new Positions that have been filled recently. Gail asked for a motion to accept Nicole Hildon as the new Preschool Director. Greg made the motion and Brad seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Pastor Rick's Report: Pastor has been busy dealing with the Preschool issue and consolidation to one service. We are using all styles of music. Discussion ensued including great ideas to enhance our worship time. One suggestion was to have a coffee/music pre-service time (20 minutes) to shine a light on all of our different talents.

Treasurer's Report: Greg: No red flags. November attendance and giving were low. December will pick up. It is traditionally a large giving month. Greg is working on the budget now. Expenses will be higher due to new personnel this coming year.

Stewardship Report: Please see report: Les went over the pledges so far.

The next meeting will be held January 12, 2016.  
The budget has to be out that following Sunday. We will have the Congregational Meeting on Sunday January 31, 2016.

New Business: The Pack-A-Thon event will be held on February 27, 2016. Steve Crofton is in charge. There will be a Rally Brunch in January for anyone interested to donate funds for the supplies.

Old Business: Carpet Project: Still waiting for another bid for the Sanctuary runners and Office carpeting. The Foundation has agreed to pay half.

Pastor Rick said the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joy Johnson, Secretary

Prince of Peace Council Meeting Minutes (unapproved)  
January 12, 2016 7:00 p.m.

Present: Pastor Rick Sherrill, Craig Myrmel, Teri Traaen, Audrey Cox, Steve Edgar, Brad Beebe, Greg Welch-Roland, Carrie Goodman, Les Holland, Joy Johnson.  
Absent: Gail Andrews, Anita Thorne.

Craig called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Pastor Rick went over prayer requests and said the opening prayer.

Craig asked for a motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes from the December 8, 2015 meeting. Greg made a motion to approve the minutes. Steve seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Personnel Committee: No report.

Treasurer's report: Greg went over the 2016 Fiscal Budget. Please see attached. The Dash board had all green lights for the month of December 2015.

Craig made a motion to approve the 2016 Fiscal Budget (subject to final negotiations with the Preschool). Carrie seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Pastor Rick's Report: Please see attached:

\*The 1 service schedule is working well.

\*Carpet: we will have the offices re-carpeted, also put runners down the aisles in the Sanctuary.

Discussion ensued: Joy and Craig will work on choosing the carpet color for the Sanctuary.

\*Nominating Committee: we need volunteers: The positions needed are to replace: Anita Thorne, Les Holland and President Elect Teri Traaen. Teri said she will chair the Nominating Committee.

\*Focus on: Stewardship. Campaign to pay off the mortgage next year over \$350,000.00. We will launch the campaign at the Congregational Meeting. Greg and Brad will head this campaign. 2017 will be Prince of Peace's 60 Year anniversary. This Church is our Legacy.

Stewardship Report: please see attached: Les went over the final tally.

The subject of a youth activity fund for Confirmation activities was discussed.

Packathon Donation: We could use the loose change from Souper Sunday to be donated to this event. We will be using Benevolence monies also. The Foundation is donating \$1,500.00, the Preschool will donate \$1,500.00 and the Church will donate \$1,200.00.

Carrie made a motion to donate \$1,200.00 to purchase food supplies for the Packathon event. Brad seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Steve talked about the PF Chang water station. It will be located at the 13.6 mile marker on both sides of Indian School Road. We need lots of volunteers to make this successful.

Pastor Rick said the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joy Johnson

## **Youth and Family Ministry**

*Council Report – February 2016*

### **Ministry Moment**

In confirmation this month we started exploring the Gospels. During our conversation about the Gospel of Matthew, we had great conversation about the Beatitudes. Students chose which beatitude they wanted to work on. One of the popular ones was Matthews 5:8 “Blessed are the pure of heart, for they will see God” Students shared the people in their lives who really exemplified being pure of heart. A couple of the students shared that it is their parents who show this to them. Others shared about their grandparents and the faith and love they have shown them. What a testament to ministry happening in and through our closest relationships!

### **Confirmation**

Confirmation is focusing on the Gospels. Students are learning about the uniqueness of the Gospels and how each Gospel relates to their lives. We are reflecting on specific verses in each Gospel to dig a little deeper and each student leaves each class with a promise for the week. Last week students made a promise to give up their favorite things for a day (cell phone apps, Netflix, etc.) to spend time with God instead (prayer, be still, reading the bible, being in nature and just talking or even ranting to God).

### **High School**

Our first high school youth group was on January 31 and we had four students attend. My goal is to really work to build up this core group of high school students so they are ambassadors and leaders for the youth group.

Peer Ministry Retreat – we have received good response from 2 other churches interested in being a part of the Peer Ministry Retreat in April – All Saints and Peace. I look forward to PoP connecting with these churches to provide a meaningful retreat for these students!

Navajo Lutheran Mission Trip will be Memorial Day weekend and so far we have about 9 youth and parents who have committed to attending and at least 5 or 6 more who have expressed interest.

### **Youth and Family Team**

One of my goals to start the year is to put together a Youth and Family ministry team. This team would be a team I would work closely with to help support to vision and mission of Youth and Family Ministry at Prince of Peace. Please consider anyone you are connected to who might be a good candidate for this team.

### **Faith at Home**

Taking Faith Home - This new resource was just sent out to the preschool families with a link to our website to download the inserts.

Meeting with Families – As I meet with families, I will be providing them with FaithTalk Cards which are a great resource to help families start conversations about faith and life.

### **Other**

Street Fair – April 16 4-6pm! Please add this date to your calendars and share with your friends! We are going to need help with volunteers, items for the silent auction, and other various projects.

Social Media – We are working to be sure to have a more active Facebook and Instagram page. We are encouraging our staff, council and community to please like, comment, and share our posts with all of your friends and followers.