

Holy Trinity Annual Church Conference for 2023

January 7, 2024

Permission was given by River Valley District Superintendent Rev. Michelle Hargrave for this church conference. Attendance, forms, and reports are attached.

The Conference was opened in prayer.

Carol Ottoson offered the Certified Lay Minister and Speaker reports. Chad asked if we affirmed Carol continuing as Certified Lay Speaker. All present affirmed.

Inactive/Nonresponsive Member report:

1 Year: report was received, Kris Antonsen and Tim and Rhonda Arends were named as having attended church in the past year and were removed from the 1-year inactive list. The remaining people were affirmed as one year inactive/unresponsive unanimously.

2 Year (recommended for removal to constituent list): was received, affirmed as ready to be moved from member to constituent. A question was asked, clarifying this report is only for inactive/nonresponsive members, not former members who proactively transferred their membership. A prayer for all current members and former members was offered.

Parsonage Evaluation was presented by Vic Noer, corrected to River Valley District (from Twin Cities).

Trustees Report was presented by Vic Noer.

Checklist for Protection of Church Finances by Patrick Rasmussen was presented.

Missions 2023 report by Sharon Dougherty was reviewed.

Pastor's Report for 2023 was offered by Rev. Chad Gilbertson.

Elected Leadership List for 2024 was presented. Corrected to add Liz Weninger to the SPRT. All present affirmed the list as corrected.

Pastoral Compensation Package was explained by Don Oram. SPRT moved to approve, unanimously approved.

2023 Finance Review was presented by Patrick Rasmussen. Corrected to add "and building funds" in the line *transferred interest from memorial funds and building funds...* Corrected to add \$4000 for "Plate" under Income on page 24. A question was asked about how the shortfall in 2023 was covered. The answer was that it was taken from undesignated reserves which in 2023 were approximately \$65K. The reserves available for general spending are being monitored, as we are determined not to dip below the 2-month expenses list. The people present were asked to approve the proposed budget. It was approved unanimously.

Q&A for proposed land sale. Future conversations will be held to disseminate information and allow people to share thoughts and concerns.

The Conference was closed in prayer with thanks for those who attended and provided reports.