

## Holy Trinity Pastoral Council Minutes

February 2, 2019

**Attendees:** Veronica Kelley, Dan Anderson, Aida Lawver, Lanny Ross, Diana Graff, Pat Allfrey, Nancy Koch, Carol Alcamo, Ingrid Spencer

**Absent:** Carl Green

**Gathering and Refreshments:** Carol Alcamo

**Opening Prayer:** Ingrid Spencer for Carl Green

**Minutes:** All Members – January Meeting Minutes were approved

### Holy Trinity Councils, Commissions, and Committee reports:

Website/Communications: Aida Lawver/Ingrid Spencer

No current report. Next meeting is February 6th.

Faith Formation Commission: Pat Allfrey

The women's retreat is next Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Thirteen people attended the first session for the Catechist certification program. Their next meeting is next week.

Finance Council: Veronica Kelley

The Finance Council continues to review the monthly finances and a new estimate of renovation expenses. Because of the increase in the cost of materials and labor, purchasing new pews, and refurbishing the church floors may have to be deferred until funds are available. One donor has offered to pay for the steeple. The Council is looking at all possible funding sources, including pledges, grants, loans, and savings. Several members of the Pastoral Council suggested fund raising ideas that will be explored. The Seattle Archdiocese is reviewing the financing plan.

Liturgy Commission: Veronica Kelley

Last month the Commission completed a review of the Advent and Christmas liturgies, Simbang Gabi, and Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrations. Their February agenda focuses on Lent and Easter liturgies.

Social Justice Commission: Lanny Ross, Diana Graff

No current report. The baby bottle drive has started and donations must be received no later than February 24.

Knights of Columbus: Veronica Kelley for Carl Green

The Valentine Dinner/Dance is Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. with dancing at 7:30 p.m. Advance sale tickets are \$15.00 per person, \$25.00 per couple and family. If purchased at the door, the prices are \$20.00 per person and \$30.00 per couple and family.

Building Committee/Campaign Leadership Team: Dan Anderson

The Campaign Leadership Team is looking at distributing updated information regarding the renovation and funding. Once the renovation begins, parking may be limited, but there is parking available at the Elks Lodge next door.

The parish is also working on upgrades to the Social Hall and fire protection system that is required by the County building codes. Removal and resurfacing of the Social Hall flooring has been completed. The installation of the fire protection system in the kitchen and Social Hall has been completed. Installation of the fire protection system in the Faith Formation wing will be completed soon.

### **Old Business:**

1. Implementing Engaged Church and Stewardship/Discipleship Commission: Dan, Nancy, Veronica  
There is no new information about this project.

2. What are the priorities the parish council members see as the needs the council needs to focus on this year?

The Council discussed possible needs that could be addressed in the near future. Areas where our church should focus their attention on include:

- a) Encouraging families to increase their time for Jesus by participating in Devotions/Prayers with family activities.
- b) Implementing visits to new parishioners and bereaved widows/widowers.
- c) Contacting fallen away parishioners about returning to the church, in particular reaching out to those who have been divorced or remarried outside the church.
- d) Having church activities to engage families, parents, and their children.

There was some interest in addressing contacting new parishioners a few months after they have registered in the parish to make them feel more welcome, answering questions they may have, and encouraging them to participate in parish events.

### **New Business:**

1. Leadership Discernment for all councils and commissions will be held in May. Veronica encouraged everyone to recruit volunteers to become members of the various groups.

### **Study Time**

1. 30 minutes – “Stewardship – A Disciples Response”, pp. 31-35, “IV, Stewards of the Church” and the reflection questions were discussed.

### **Closing Business:**

Next Pastoral Council meeting is March 23, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Next Executive Committee meeting is March 5, 2019 at 9:15

**Closing Prayer:** Ingrid Spencer

**Adjournment and Clean Up**