

# Council Meeting Monday, April 18, 2022

Call to Order: 6:32 pm Mackenthun

**Establish a quorum/present**: Steinhoff Smith, Pastor Alicia, Pastor Ben, Hauck, Smithson, Schoenecker, Nybo, Walser, Mackenthun, Newman, and Gieseke *Racial Justice Task Force:* Melissa Horejsi and Linnea Hautman

Devotion by Hauck: Romans 8:28

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda by Steinhoff Smith, second Gieseke, motion passed

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Financial Health as of March 31, 2022	March 2022 Budget	March 2022 Actual
Revenue	\$48,904	\$103,433
Expenses	\$50,603	\$114,312
Revenue - Expenses	-\$1,699	-\$10,879

• March financials skewed due to land sale investment moving into general account

Discussion Topic: How did you/your family spend Easter?

## Pastor Ben's Report

- Thank you to the Strategic 2.0 Teams and the for energetic huddle
- Congratulations to all the 4<sup>th</sup> graders receiving their First Communion

## Pastor Alicia's Report

- Motion to approve the following Endowment Team applications by Smithson, second Schoenecker, motion passed (via email 4/5/22):
  - o **New Prague Rotary Club:** \$2,000 to the Peace Garden project to cover items that are not covered in the general initial grant funding (such as the pergolas, or concrete for sidewalks). Donors over \$2,000 will get a permanent recognition plaque.
  - New Prague Community Action Network (NPCAN): \$1,000 to NPCAN. NPCAN is a 503(c) and their goal is to bring the community together quarterly, guided by compassion, inclusion and equity. NPCAN also hosts the "One Book, One New Prague" community event. They are hosting a community event this spring called "Humanize my Hoodie" which is a local event that aims to destigmatize clothing to navigate and challenge the perceptions of threat related

to clothing, to be better allies, and better understand black and indigenous people of color (BIPOC).

• Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly will be on Saturday, April 30th

### Racial Justice Task Force

- Presentation of Vision/Mission/Values
- Book study coming up: "Embracing Diversity"
- Purchasing new books for racial justice library

#### Same Gender Marriage Discussion

• Motion to allow HTLC to officiate weddings for couples regardless of gender or sexual orientation by Newman, second Steinhoff Smith, motion passed

Closing Prayer: Hauck

Motion to Adjourn: 8:02 pm by Gieseke, second Walser, motion passed

Next meeting: May 16, 2022 at 6:30 pm