

Concept Minutes of Council Meeting October 12, 2022

Devotions: Jan Bennen read from Ephesians 5:19-20 Which talks about giving thanks to God for everything he has done for us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. The devotion talks about how we should make a list of the things you are thankful. We take for granted the little things we have in life that people in 3rd world countries do not have. We need to be thankful for all things big and small.

Highlights from the Council Meeting

- **Pastor's Reports:** Jeff Kooiker spoke on behalf of Pastor Brian. I hope to begin a new series titled: "Living Our Faith Together" next week. For this series I will look at each of those words and how we apply it in our community. This coming week I will do something on LD 1 with Psalm 23. I am currently working on my paper to meet the deadline of December 1. I hope to be able to have it turned in by that time.
- **Staff Relations Committee:** James Bekkering spoke that the committee has met to present the Rental Agreement. Dick was going to get the extra help to clean the addition. James E to fill in when needed for Ellicia.
- **Director of YEC and Outreach:** James absent Jeff Kooiker reported that there is a need for more freezer space looking to purchase a freezer. Looking to activate the give section on the Bridge app. Looking for access to our church Gym for Polling Station in May 2023. Is looking into a Serve trip for anyone who is interested.
- **Classis Discussion 4 Question to be discussed at Classis**
 1. Celebrate: What has God been doing in your local congregation?
 2. Update: How has your council/church responded to decisions of Synod 2022? What questions, concerns, hopes do you have (about that or other things)?
 3. Wonder: What might be the best gift of being a part of a classis?
 4. Open-Ended: What do we (classis) need to understand about your local church that has not come up in the previous questions?

On behalf of Council: Brent Hamilton, Clerk