

Lord of Life Council Meeting
October 20, 2016

In Attendance: Pastor Skip, John Paul Crawford, Mark Waggoner, Erica Smith, Randi Ladolcetta

- Call to Order – John Paul
- Opening Prayer – Pastor Skip
- Devotional – John Paul
 - Respecting those with different beliefs and thoughts, remembering that what unites us (God) is stronger than that which divides us.
- Dwelling in the Word - Matthew 10:32-39
 - Read by Mark and Randi
 - We discussed how Jesus was a radical, how our core belief should be what God wants and putting God before the physical Family.
 - We discussed the seriousness of the relationship we have with God, have we become too relaxed with our relationship with God? What is first in our choices?
 - We should make intentional time for God, just as we do our families.
- Executive Session
- Debrief Coffee with Council
 - Top Issues:
 - Communication
 - Worship Style and Length
 - Inward focus vs. Outward focus
 - Tithing
 - “Lutheran”
 - Personal Grievances
 - Discussed how we believe the church should focus on Jesus and the mission to spread the good news, as well as be relational, honest, and uplifting. We talked about how we may not be there yet, but that is the direction we believe God wants us to go.
 - Spoke about how we can lead by example, invite, and be the light. We could do so by having Sunday classes, smalls groups, and/or large groups to study and teach the mission of the church (to spread the good word).
 - Discussed having check in cohorts, where each zip code would have someone assigned to check in on those who may have missed a few weeks of church. This would help people feel connected to the church.
- New Business
 - Legal Documents regarding sidewalk
 - John Paul will speak with the city
- Adjourn with closing prayer – Pastor Skip