

Grace Lutheran Church & Grace Christian School

Elder Meeting Minutes: February 18, 2020

Elders and Pastoral Staff Attending: Matt, AJ, Dean, Darryl, Pastor Aaron, Ron, Mark

Visitors/Guests Attending:

Devotion: Personal Accountability (Mark). Luke 12:47-48, Proverbs 27:17, Luke 12: 11-12

Topic #1: Pastor Aaron high level review of the key documents in our bylaws: (ie. Augsburg Confession, Smallcald Articles, Formula of Concord, etc...). Pastor Aaron prepared a summary of the Book of Concord and we went over The Nature of Confessions-Why do Christians need statements of belief? In reviewing these important documents we are encouraged to see if we can gain insight from them to help direct our activities and ministries. Next meeting we will go over The Ecumenical Creeds.

Topic #2: Elder responsibilities/teaching: Pastor Aaron prepared some practical ways Elders can fulfill their responsibilities. We are encouraged to commit to accomplishing some of these responsibilities each week. At our meetings we should be able to report on some of these actions. The document is attached.

Topic #3: Review "Prayers of the People" and bring up others who may need prayer: We discussed the current publication of the "prayers of the People" and how the Elders can become involved. By personally praying for these individuals and providing encouragement are key ways we can be involved. We will add this as a standing topic for each meeting. Also, the Elders will be added to the e-mail distribution of this information (Pastor Aaron to ask Yoke).

Topic #4: Thanking Others:

- Katie Brumfield for leading the School musical
- John Osslund for substitute teaching Sunday's Confirmation class
- Pastor Sam for joining and supporting the 8 AM services with Communion
- Paul Isabel for his dedication with the Sunday powerpoint

Topic moved to next meeting based on time: Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 3

Devotion leader for next meeting: TBD