

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH  
TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**MAY 15, 2014, 7 PM**

The meeting opened with devotions from Jennifer DelaMotte, from Isaiah 28.

The meeting was led by Jim Knapp, Council President.

- Minutes from the Congregational meetings of May 16, 2013 were approved as presented by Julia Bava.

Bart Muller, GSLC Treasurer, addressed the group, outlining:

- Financial summary of 2012: budget shows current balances as follows:  
General Fund: \$42,343.97  
Capital Fund: \$531,162.18  
Barnabas Fund: \$149,205.72  
Memorial Fund: \$19,809.97
- The Barnabus Endowment Fund earnings are used to fund scholarships and mission expenses.
- The Capital Fund is designated for large facility expenses; council has large discretionary power over its use

Pastor Youngdale presented the Strategic Focus of GSLC. This has been developed together with the Church Council and includes:

- Mission Statement
- Missions Summary
- Vision Statement
- Core Values
- Strategic Anchors
- Outcomes
- Goal

John Bailey presented the budget:

- We are moving toward a better, balanced budget.
- Faith Weavers will see spending decrease while Vacation Bible School will receive an increase.
- Total budget increase of \$3,000 includes adding a 2% raise for all staff plus increased office staff slightly.

- Troy's request for funds for fellowship was answered that the fellowship committee's responsibility is to make a specific request.
- Charlie Jahn asked that the "private giving" funds be explained; Louise Rickey answered that they are largely given over to the Togo Missions Fund.

Brian Hyde proposed an Endowment Fund: serves as a distribution vehicle to ministry.

- Allows one to leave a legacy.
- Supports ministry beyond our own death.
- Manages gifts so that they are used correctly.
- This requires a local management team to encourage funding, and to facilitate congregants moving through the process.

Wayne Rickey presented a discussion of the Quincy property.

- The City of Turlock would like to purchase 5 acres of the property for water storage.
- Several questions to be considered: road easement, value of this facility, and location of the storage unit.
- Turlock will make proposal to the Property Committee, then we will consider plan.

Congregation voting to take place on May 18<sup>th</sup>, which will include:

- 2015 GSLC Budget
- Council Changes
- Endowment Fund.

Jen closed the meeting in prayer.

The Doxology was sung to close the meeting.