

5.15.16 Minutes Congregational Meeting

A special Congregational Meeting was called to order on May 15, 2016 at 9:05 AM by President Zenon Wojcik. The purpose of the meeting was to vote on the candidate, recommended by the Call Committee and Church Council, to become the new pastor of University Lutheran Church. There were 34 voting members present.

An opening prayer was given by Elecia Oleson. Elecia read a letter of introduction written by Pastor Lori Rugi-Jones (the candidate). Zenon opened the meeting to questions from the congregation. A motion was made by Andrea Gapko to cast a unanimous ballot to call Pastor Lori Rugi-Jones as our pastor. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The next step will be to obtain the Letter of Call packet from the Synod and complete it. Elecia will call Pastor Lori today to inform her that we unanimously voted to extend the Call to her.

A positive discussion about Pastor Lori concluded the meeting. Information about her is still confidential until her congregation is informed on May 22, 2016. A question was raised if we could offer more money, if needed. The answer was "yes".

A word of appreciation was given to the Call Committee for their many hours of work – especially to the Chair Elecia and the student representative Rebecca Eden.

Closing prayer was given by Elecia.

Respectively Submitted,
Sally Gavin, Secretary