

# Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes

## Tuesday, May 19, 2020

**In attendance via Zoom:** Bob Kreie, Carl Horton, Kathy Silvernale, Connie Stromseth, Monica Wehler, John Olsen, Dan Moe, Niki Pokornowski, Penny Stuber, Andrew Weckwerth, Katie Brecht, Maria Weikle, Marlys Miller, Gail Telecky, and John Dorival. Staff present: Pastor Scott, Pastor Pilgrim, Pastor Dave, Pastor Paul, Marsha Schmit, Laura Weikle, Will Holt, Kristen Matthews, Wendy Magruder, Sara Wegner and Jeff Amundson,

Call to order by President Bob Kreie at 6:04 p.m.

Opening Devotion by Andrew

**Secretary's Report** done by Wendy: **Action-M/S/P** to approve the minutes from April.

**Treasurer's Report:** We are up in the General Fund about \$3,000 since April. We are down about \$14,000 from the beginning year's balance. Offering has increased about 5.74% prior to previous year. Pastor Scott commented, "This is outstanding good news!" **Action - M/S/P**

**Pastor/Staff Reports:** Bob expressed "Thank You to staff for all they have done" during this time.

### **Ministry Team Reports:**

Discipleship - (Andrew and Gail)

1. Community meal planned for June 7 will be a drive-through boxed up meals. Posters are being made to put at various places to advertise.
2. Bibleopoly ideas for next year discussed.
3. Facebook survey had 58 respondents.

Management - (Exec Comm)

1. Discussed when to resume in-person services. The city of Hutch said no to Library Square services on 5/24 or 5/31.
2. Mark Guggemos has a low watt transmitter to be used if we want to hold church in the parking lot or at Library Square.
3. Discussed elevator repairs and the costs etc.

Worship - (Maria and Katie)

1. Discussed service at Library Square and the many questions on how it would work for keeping social distance, serving Holy Communion, using the parking lot, etc.

Children, Youth, Family - (Dan and Monica)

1. Youth Works canceled all mission trips. Plans are in place for a local mission trip. VBS variations and how to proceed. How do we follow state rules and proceed with activities? An idea to have a family picnic in the park.

Church in The World - (Penny and John)

1. Nothing to report

Congregational Life - (Niki and Marlys)

1. Picnic in the park is on hold.
2. Offer families to submit pictures during live streaming or email photos to use for worship.
3. Sending out handwritten letters/cards to families to keep connected and let them know they are missed.

**Old Business:**

- A. Reopening during pandemic. Livestream will continue for a while no matter how/when in-person worship can start up again.
- B. Intern update - Kristen and Laura report there have been no applicants
- C. Discussed ongoing elevator repairs and costs.
- D. 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee has not met. Still hope for the big celebration in October to take place or a possibility to move it to next year or a different approach as a celebration.

**New Business:**

- A. The lawn mower program from L&P has been renewed. Sign up to volunteer to mow. May and June are already covered for mowing.
- B. Summer Youth and Ministry plans-no traveling youth mission trips. "Stay at home" mission trips doing local service projects.
- C. VBS in June - VBS to-go with take home packets. July day camp is still a go for now or a day camp to-go if it is not still on.

Closing Prayer by Pastor Scott

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, June 16 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Devotions next month: John Olsen