

St John's Lutheran Church

Present: Pastor Dave Efflandt, Rayelle Haase, Amanda Sabelko, Darcie Moehnke, Jim Evenson, Heather Hilgart, Dave Bornfleth, Emily Carling, Lindsay, Sam Marsland

Council Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2021 7:00 p.m. - via Online Invite

- 1. Call to order – Sam
 - a. Approval of agenda (motion: Rayelle; 2nd: Jim; carried)
 - b. Review any thank you notes or correspondence sent to Council or St. John's - None
- 2. Devotions -

Mar	Lindsay
Apr	Ann
May	Jim
Jun	Emily
Jul	Rayelle
Aug	Sam
Sept	Dave B
Oct	Heather
Nov	Grace
Dec	Dave Z
Jan 2022	Darcie

- 3. Reports - Sam
 - a. Discuss/Approve previous meeting minutes, staff reports, and commission reports (all)
Approve reports - (motion: Emily; 2nd: Darcie - carried)
Approve February meeting minutes - (motion: Darcie; 2nd: Jim - carried)
- 4. Financials – Dave B
 - a. Discuss/Approve previous month's financial - \$23500 to payoff still for line of credit and synod. \$8101 still unaccounted for from dedicated account; McKern to follow up with Dave.
Approve February financials - (motion: Darcie; 2nd: Jim - carried)
- 5. Get Down to Business
 - a. COVID-19 Task force updates (Sam) – Summarized Covid19 task force recommendations. Significant change is the metrics task force will use; went from 2 metrics to a 10 metric more comprehensive risk assessment with an easy translatable dashboard of current recommendation. Much discussion surrounding task force recommendations from 3/7/21. Task force recommended Palm Sunday 3/28/21 for a return to in-person worship using the fellowship hall. Many volunteers will be needed, or in-person worship cannot happen.
Motion: Pending attendance and volunteers, having 2 in-person worship services on Sunday starting 3/28/21 (motion: Heather; 2nd: Dave - carried)
Motion: Move congregation into step 3 of re-engagement plan starting 3/10/21 (motion: Jim; 2nd: Heather - carried)
 - b. CKP Update (Deacon Amanda) – Moving forward on hiring incremental staff
 - i. Silent Auction Fundraiser (Tessa Carolan, Tanya Young & Anne Holtan) –Sunday April 11th at County Seat in Mantorville. Propose donations for auction be dropped off at CKP entrance during business hours and stored in nursery or conference room. A labeled table can be available for items with documentation. Anyone who does not pickup at County Seat can pick up at CKP entrance in days following.
Motion: Approve plan as presented (motion: Rayelle; 2nd: Darcie – carried)
 - b. Worship and Music Update (Pastor Dave) – Discussions surrounding in-person worship logistics and pre-recorded music for services.
Holy Week: Palm Sunday 2 in-person; Maundy Thursday virtual; Good Friday virtual; Easter Sunday 2 in-person (maybe 11:30 outdoor) and 1 virtual
 - c. Personnel Update (Rayelle) – continued work on developing AV position. Updating personnel handbook. Discussed Deacon Amanda’s upcoming sabbatical.
 - d. Properties Usage and Review (Sam)

- e. Council Book Study – Book recommendation 'Growing Young' (Lindsay & Amanda) – Start next month. Information will be sent out to group.
 - f. Fire relief effort (Pastor Dave) - >\$1500 received through SEMCAC. More donation information to come.
 - g. Update on the phone system (Jim) – Needs were recently assessed with staff. Q&A with KM TeleComm. Information collection on-going with vendors.
 - h. Reminder to update council photos (Sam) – Heather and Jim
 - i. Strategic Planning Specialist (Lindsay) – Lindsay has a resource willing to help SJK strategic plan for one year free of charge. This could include financial sustainability, networking, etc.. Previously approved by council (March 2020).
 - j. Roundtable discussion
 - a. website giving page utilizing text to give option through Tithely. \$19/mo to use this option/first month free. Council decided not to utilize at this time.
 - b. Lindsay and Amanda's pictures will be added to the wall of pictures
 - c. 2nd annual cruising for cancer event proposed by Tanya Young. Utilizing SJK parking lot and bathrooms in building. Approval for food trucks will be postponed till closer to the event.
Motion: Approve event (motion: Emily; 2nd: Rayelle – carried)
 - k. Closed session - elected council – not held
6. "God Sightings" – not held
7. Motion to Adjourn – 9:29pm (motion: Jim; 2nd: Dave – carried)
8. Lord's Prayer
9. Upcoming events/ meetings:
 - a. Next council meeting 4/13/21
10. Parking lot (Items for future discussion):
 - a. Constitution Update
 - b. Expand office hours with re-engagement plan step 3

