

BETHLEHEM CHURCH COUNCIL

November 10th, 2020 - 5:30pm

Jeff Hatlewick, Lynn Johnson, Joyce Peterson, Ryan Anderson, Val Johnson, Julie Nelson, Jenna Noland, Alisha Helgeson, Scott Kummrow, Adrienne Miller, Rud Wasson
Additional attendees: Pastor Sue, Pastor Doug, Amy, Ken

Call to Order: Welcome from Jeff

Open Forum Time: n/a

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve by Julie - 2nd by Lynn, passed

Treasurer's Report: Month of October had a negative revenue vs expenses of \$6,786.91 (March, August, September and November have all been negative months), General Fund Balance is \$89,400.49, PPE loan was completely forgiven for a total of \$45,442.72 and will show in the general fund in November, Envelopes pledged is up and we are down in envelopes non-pledged, All benevolence are up to date

Devotions: Pastor Sue

Comments from Ken and Pastor Sue and Pastor Doug: Ken - Confirmation is going well, reimagining SS programs within the constraints of Covid. Pastor Doug - Confirmation, Men's group, Congregational contacts, Advent planning. Pastor Sue - written report, enjoying mentoring Beth Monke in her first semester of Seminary

New Business:

- Activate the Nominating Committee (Tindy Rund, Sally Nelson, Laura Pearson)
- Worship:
 - Review rise in COVID cases and in-person worship - we will continue to offer in-person worship with reminders to maintain 6 feet of social distancing
 - Consider adding a second service in Contemporary style, will begin Thanksgiving weekend - Motion from Ryan to add a Contemporary service for the season of Advent, 2nd by Scott, motion carried 9-3
 - Christmas Worship Schedule (noon, 3:30 and 6:30 with call-in reservations to monitor numbers in the sanctuary)
 - Action Item: Recommended Resolution from the Synod in regards to Resuming In-Person Worship - will be reworked and brought to Council attention for approval via email or the December council meeting
- Action Item: Continuing Resolution about electronic congregation meetings
 - Proposed Resolution: "This congregation may hold meetings by remote communication, including electronically and by telephone conference, as long as there is an opportunity for simultaneous aural communication. To the extent permitted by state law, notice of all meetings may be provided electronically." Motion by Julie, 2nd by Ryan, passed unanimously

Old Business/Updates:

- Zion Partnership Update
- Fall Stewardship/Consecration Sunday Update
- Constitution Team Update
- Call Committee Update

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, December 8th at 5:30pm; location & via Zoom

Adjournment: Motion by Julie - 2nd by Scott, passed

Prayers for our congregation as our ministry unfolds in 2020

Lord's Prayer