

Messiah Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes May 21, 2020

Present: Anne Baunach, Dave Carlsen, Dave Foss, Mike McLaughlin, Janene Nelson, Charlie Radabaugh, Stephanie Smith, Jaymie Torres Ibarra,

Staff: Pastor Chuck Harris and Deacon Traci Vatne

Excused: Nick Brinkmeyer and Sandi Wollum

Gathering Time

- **Call to Order:** Charlie Radabaugh called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.
- **Opening Devotion & Prayer:** Jaymie Torres Ibarra led the group in devotions.
- **Adoption of Agenda** Motion to adopt the agenda as updated. Motion passed.
- **Acceptance of Minutes from March 4 and 21, 2019:** Motion to accept the minutes as written. [A.Baunach / D Carlsen] Motion passed.
- **Financial Report:** Janene Nelson presented the financials for the month of April. She shared that it had been a very strong month for the church. Motion to approve the financial report. [S. Smith / D. Carlsen] Motion passed.

Reflection on Mission, Vision & Core Values:

- **MLC Plans during COVID-19:** Pastor Chuck Harris shared an initial draft of a reopening plan as King County moves into future phases of re-opening. The group discussed the many elements. Pastor Chuck will be holding a meeting open to the congregation to discuss next week.
- **Faith Formation Task Force:** Anne Baunach shared that the group has met several times and is making progress. They met recently with the Assistant to the Bishop Rebecca Shjerven and Pastor Chuck. She suggested that people may want to check out the Recommended Practices for Faith Formation in the ELCA as this document is guiding much of the group's work. That document can be found here: <https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/ELCAfaithformation.pdf>.
- **Youth Recognition:** Deacon Traci Vatne shared plans for both AOB Sunday and Senior Sunday. Many modifications are needing to happen because of COVID-19.
- **Staff Recognition:** Charlie Radabaugh shared that he would like to find ways to recognize
- Messiah's staff for all their hard work. Many ideas were shared. Stephanie Smith offered to take a lead on putting together a plan.

Accountability

- **For the Good of Messiah:**
 - Lots of praise was shared for the staff with all that they are doing.
 - Anne shared that Mission Sunday was a huge success.

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- **Review of Assignment and Tasks:**
 - Pastor Chuck to meet with the congregation regarding reopening plans.
 - Stephanie Smith to work on a plan for staff recognition.

• **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn the meeting. [D. Foss / D. Carlsen]. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jaymie Torres Ibarra, Council Secretary