

Council Minutes
Messiah Lutheran Church
Date: 7/23/20
Location: Zoom

Present: Anne Baunach, Jaymie Torres, Charlie Radabaugh, Dave Carlsen, Chuck Harris, Savannah Phelan, Deacon Traci Vatne, Mike McLaughlin, Dave Foss, and Sandi Wollum
Absent: Stephanie Smith and Nick Brinkmeyer

Gathering Time

· **Call to Order** Charlie

Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

· **Opening Devotion / Prayer** Chuck

Chuck led the group in devotions around the parable of the mustard seed and the parable of the yeast.

· **Adoption of Agenda** Charlie Motion

Motion: adopt the agenda as written. [Baunach/ Carlsen] Motion carries.

· **Approval of Minutes: June 18, 2020** Charlie Motion

Motion: approve minutes as written. [Baunach/ Carlsen] Motion carries.

· **Financial Report** Chuck Motion

Pastor Chuck shared that we had another great month financially. Without the PPP money, we still had more income than expenses. Our general fund balance is at a positive \$73,000. Finance team still encourages members to give generously, as the full financial impact of COVID is still unknown. Motion to approve the financial report as written. [Carlsen/McLaughlin]. Motion carries.

Reflection on Mission, Vision & Core Values

· **Questionnaire** Charlie

Charlie shared highlights from the worship questionnaire. Overall, while the congregation misses being back in church but are also in no rush to return to service. Pastor Chuck shared that staff is continuing to work through worship logistics, specifically communion, in the online worship stream. We will have to continue to be cautious.

Accountability

· **For the Good of Messiah**

Charlie thanked Traci for everything she has done for the church.

Anne wanted to thank Savannah and Traci for a fabulous service week with the youth.

Pastor Chuck wanted to share that Everett Rom died late in June.

· **Pastor's Report**

Implement Our Mission & Ministry

. **Memorials/Lease Committees** Charlie/Chuck Motion

The updated guidelines were shared with council. Motion: adopt the memorial committee guidelines as presented. [Baunach/Wollum] Motion carries.

. **Confirm Confirmands** Chuck Motion

Motion: Bless each confirmand as confirmed members of Messiah Lutheran Church. [Harris / Baunach]. Motion carries.

. **Endowment Update** Anne

Anne shared that Jan shared a great proposal to the endowment committee for her work on the website. The endowment committee fully funded the proposal.

. **COVID Safety and Health Plan** Chuck Motion

Pastor Chuck shared the safety and health plan that Pam and Chuck have worked on. The plan was modeled based on a plan of the construction committee. Motion: adopt the COVID 19 response plan as the basic platform to move forward as an organization. This is a living document that may be changed as we continue. [Wollum/Baunach]. Motion carries.

Sending

. **Review of Assignment & Tasks**

Anne and Sandi will meet with the Faith Formation Task Force in hopes of presenting in August.

Pastor Chuck will share information about what Mark Sims has done with Anne so that she can draft a thank you letter to Mark Sims and Fikes.

. **Adjournment** Motion

Move: to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 [Baunach/Carlsen] Motion carries.

. **Lord's Prayer**

**Respectfully submitted,
Jaymie Torres
Council Secretary**