

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from: Monday, April 20, 2020 (prepared by Jennifer Nelson)

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

Mal Bailey –	Paul Baribeau - P	Tami Bowman – P	Pam Crouse – P
Andy Dennison – P	Mike Diercks- P	Rachel Engel –	Bill Evans – P
Alexa Giddings – P	Michael Husak – P	Jennifer Nelson – P	Ed Skaw – P
Brad Wiedmann – P			

STAFF MEMBERS: Pastor Grant – P Pastor Luci – P Dawn Paul – P

PREPARATION:

Devotions – Andy Dennison led devotions on Giving thanks even when you are led through tough times.

Sharing Joys & Concerns – *Amanda Anderson passing, daughter of Pat & Pam Anderson and mother of Easton Gbeyetin, Gary, Dawn's brother, Barb, Jennifer's step-mom, Mike's great medical care, new puppies and birthdays. Pastor Luci lead us in prayer.*

Open Forum – none

Meeting Minutes 3/15/20: motion to approve minutes (ES/PB). Discussion – none. Motion carried.

Special Meeting Minutes from 1/20/2020: motion to approve (BW/PC). Discussion – none. Motion carried.

INFORMATION/ACTION:

Old Business:

Flag Placement – motion made to take the flag issue to the table (MD/PC). Original motion is “motion made to return the US Flag to the sanctuary”. Discussion – motion amended to leave the flags where they are and purchase new flags to be placed in the sanctuary (ES/no second). Vote – 8 yes/2 no, motion carried. Motion made to also return the Christian Flag to the sanctuary (BW/PB). Discussion – none. Motion carried

Mid-week/Summer Service – In March, Council was presented with a proposal for a modification of service schedule. The proposal was tabled until this month. We discussed the current schedule and activities due to COVID-19 restrictions. We will need to keep going “day to day” and see how things go. Motion made to have one service at 9am on Sundays and one evening service at 6pm on Wednesdays from Memorial Day through Rally Sunday. (MD/PC). Discussion – Has Worship and Music Committee had a chance to review this idea? W&M has discussed the Sunday shift. Motion is withdrawn. Motion made to approve a test of Wednesday night services and a single service on Sundays for the summer (PC/PB). Discussion – with COVID-19 things change daily, the summer schedule typically changes anyway. 9 yes/1 no. Motion carried. *Side note* – Wednesday evening services will start with this Wednesday's Earth Day service at 6:00pm.

New Business:

1. Council Retreat Take-Aways – great to have been together for the “last” time. Thanks to Cabin Coffee for the space!
2. Partners in Faith – Work together with Pastor Chris. A new schedule will be figured out to involve him too.
3. Paycheck Protection Loan/Budget – If we maintain staffing levels through June 30th, the loan will be forgiven. We did qualify and are waiting for finalization from the bank.
4. Ministry 1 App – the app that we may be using to make streaming available on tablets and phones easier. Dawn and Luci are looking into this.

Strategy Discussion:

1. Canoeing the Mountains discussion Part Three - We will discuss Part 3 at the next meeting.

Reports: attached

1. Council accepted the financials.
2. No questions on other attached reports

Committees: attached

1. No questions on Committee Reports

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

NEXT MEETINGS:

Executive Council Meeting: Monday 5/11/20 @ 10:30am

Council Meeting: Monday 5/18/20 @ 5:30p (via Zoom)

Assignments:

May devotions – Paul Baribeau

May Collection/Lockup: Brad Wiedmann/Mike Diercks

June Devotions:

June Collection/Lockup: Pam Crouse