

Peace Lutheran Church Leadership Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Present: Doug Price, Chris Engel, ElizaBeth McCay, Elizabeth Stevens, Jon Williams, Jennie Carter, Shannon Hofer, Russ Strait, Sue Mueller

1. July minutes: approved as presented.
2. Staff Updates:
  - A. Pastor Chris is on vacation.
  - B. Jennie:
    - ❖ Attended ELCA Training on Growing Young (via Zoom). She found it affirming, and she is willing to lead a discussion group if there is interest.
    - ❖ Hungry Hearts No More is going strong. Community support, including a Boy Scout troop food drive, continues.
    - ❖ Youth Ministry – Jennie is contacting youth group members and parents to determine the comfort level for groups meeting in the fall. They are considering Zoom meetings. She is also looking into the upcoming confirmation class.
3. Committee Reports: none.
4. Finance (Chris):
  - ❖ Chris reported that July was a decent month; we were close to breaking even. We are starting to see the impact of building users not being able to make their usual monthly contributions. We are still in good shape for the year, partly due to the PPP loan and mostly to faithful members.
  - ❖ Designated funds are stable. Pastor's relocation fund account is being used and will be empty soon. Salvation Army fund is now closed. \$1,000 was sent to Binns Community Center from the SW VA fund.
  - ❖ Chris is still working with the bank on direct deposit of paychecks for staff.
5. Website: Crystal is still working on this, will report next month.
6. Phone system upgrade:
  - ❖ Teresa is scheduling an appointment with the technician to help access our voice mail. The system may be sufficient if we can work through a couple issues.
7. Building Usage:
  - ❖ Seventh Day Adventist church will start services on Wednesday evenings, 6-8pm, outdoors in the parking lot. They will follow our safety measures. We

should ensure that they keep music and amplified sound low to respect our neighbors.

- ❖ AA is still discussing their future plans.
- ❖ There is no word from The Chinese Gospel Church and 4-H and scout groups.

#### 8. Annual Meeting

- ❖ Plans are made for Sunday, August 30, at 9am (after 8:30am service), outside in the parking lot. Reports are being compiled. Shannon and Russ will make announcements the next two Sundays during service. Council members will usher and help with ballots if they are needed (in the case of nominations from the floor). Rain date is September 13, 9am.

#### 9. Continuation of Ministry During the Pandemic

- ❖ There was a comment from one member asking for a live, full service at 10am. We will continue to discuss with Pastor Chris, realizing that plans will have to change once weather does not allow for outdoor services.

Council went into executive session.

Meeting was concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 (special meeting)

Tuesday, September 8, 2020 (regular meeting)