

Congregational Council
St. John's Lutheran Church | Northfield, MN

February 23, 2021 | 7:00 p.m.
Meeting via Zoom due to COVID-19

Present: Pr. Pam Fickenscher, Pr. Jonathan Davis, Rod Christensen, Suzy Taggart, Paul Beck, Mark Gleason, Suzanne Pfau, Jane Rizzo, Carolyn Nitz, Marilyn Calcutt, Gene Bakko, Rob Nutt, Kristy Harms, Rachel Brownlee, Ruth Dahl

Not Present:

The meeting was called to order at 7: 04 p.m.

1. Opening Prayer - led by Rod Christensen
2. Financial Report
3. Pastors' Report
4. Council Action Items & Updates
 - a. Presentation on CAC's Hillcrest Village housing project by Rod Christensen.
 - b. Board highlights presented by chairs.
 - c. Safe Operating Task Force Update by Pastor Pam.
While individuals may be getting vaccinated and therefore could safely attend church with COVID precautions put into place (masks, distancing, etc.), the question remains whether this is the best decision. Communication of policies and procedures will be key in returning to church in a safe manner. In general, the council felt that looking into how we may be able to get people back into church is worth looking into at this point, and moving forward with caution.
 - d. Installation of Officers - Sunday, March 7 at 9:00 a.m.
5. Consent Agenda Items
 - a. Mark Gleason moved to approve January, 2021 Council minutes. Kristy Harms seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Paul Beck moved to approve the January financial report. Rob Nutt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - c. Jane Rizzo moved to appoint Kristy Harms as the chair of the Stewardship board. Rod Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - d. Rod Christensen moved to authorize Executive Council members for brokerage account signatures. Gene Bakko seconded the motion. The motion carried.
6. A closing prayer was offered by Ruth Dahl.

7. Meeting was concluded. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.