

Congregational Council
St. John's Lutheran Church | Northfield, MN
December 15, 2020 | 7:00 p.m.
Meeting via Zoom due to COVID-19

Present: Pr. Pam Fickenscher, Pr. Jonathan Davis, David Nitz, Mary Hoff, Craig Schultz, Suzanne Pfau, Allene Moesler, Jenny Nystrom, Martha Erickson, Marilyn Calcutt, Mark Gleason, Suzy Taggart, Kathy Shea, Jonathan Davis, Kris Vatter, Ruth Dahl

Racial Equity Committee Members present: Debby Nitz, Jo Franklin, Dawn Tommerdahl, Jerry Ugland

Not Present:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

1. Opening Prayer - led by Marilyn Calcutt
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Pastor's Report
4. Council Action Items & Updates
 - a. Racial Justice committee members joined the council to participate in a survey discussion.
5. Consent Agenda Items
 - a. Mary Hoff made the motion to approve November's Congregational Council minutes. Jenny Nystrom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Ruth Dahl made the motion to approve November's Treasurer's Report. Kathy Shea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - c. Jenny Nystrom made the motion to approve the following amounts from the St. John's Fund, Youth Fund, Music Fund, Seminary Fund, Social Fund. Kathy Shea seconded the motion. **(Need chart from David)**
 - d. Mary Hoff made the motion to Church Council: To amend our bylaws to adopt the following continuing resolution, C10.08.A20 in our bylaws (which formalizes our authority to call for our next annual meeting to be remote): 'This congregation may hold meetings by remote communication, including electronically and by telephone conference, as long as there is an opportunity for simultaneous aural communication. To the extent permitted by state law, notice of all meetings may be provided electronically.' Suzanne Pfau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- e. Ruth Dahl made the motion: to affirm our November decision to hold a remote annual meeting on January 31, 2020. Kathy Shea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - f. Jenny Nystrom made the motion to amend the constitution at our next annual meeting to adopt the following provision C10.08: 'This congregation may hold meetings by remote communication, including electronically and by telephone conference, as long as there is an opportunity for simultaneous aural communication. To the extent permitted by state law, notice of all meetings may be provided electronically.' Kris Vatter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. A closing prayer was offered by David Nitz.
7. Meeting was concluded. Meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.