

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Council Minutes  
July 20, 2020 via Zoom

**Call to Order:** 6:33pm Klingfus

**Establish Quorum/Present:** Hanson-Busch, Pastor Alicia, Pastor Ben, Klingfus, Hemann, Berger, Schoenecker, Schoenebeck, Mackenthun, Smithson. Guest: Kim Gassner-Risk Management Team

**Approve agenda:** motion Mackenthun by to approve as presented, second Berger - motion passed.

**Approve June 2020 Minutes:** motion to approve as presented Schoenebeck, second Smithson - motion passed

**COVID-19 Preparedness Response Plan:** Kim Gassner and Pastor Alicia presented the overall written plan developed by Risk Management Team with specific details for staff, congregation, and public use of the facility. It includes proposed phases also for the church to follow using federal, state and county for informational resources.

**Devotions:** Jesse - "How Great Thou Art"

**Pastor Alicia Report:**

- Grateful for partnership with the council
- VBS successful week of online program, great group of volunteers, also met their goal of \$5000 noisy offering for Prairie Pointe.
- Working with Casey as a transition time with Children's Ministry information and history.
- Connection team work continues also with groups from the church reaching out to members.
- Audit team and finance team meeting soon.

**Pastor Ben Report:**

- Working with Casey remotely with onboarding.
- New merchandise line launched to help introduce and share the new Mission, Vision, Values process outcome information.
- Funeral this Wednesday online is the first opportunity to see how this type of programming works.
- Upcoming Baptism parades planned next two Sundays.

**Treasurers Report:**

- June Revenues were \$11,000 lower than budget - mostly lower member contributions and income
- Revenues through June down about 10% YTD due to softer season March through June.
- Expenses lower in June by \$6700 also primarily due to lower personnel costs and team spending.
- Operating expenses overall down YTD roughly \$28,000 reflecting lower team, property maintenance and hospitality costs with small increase in technology spending for upgrade preparing for live streaming.
- Net impact is an operating deficit for YTD of roughly \$33250 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$35900.

**New Business:**

- Endowment Fund Requests: The Endowment committee recommends funding of Cristo Obrero Ministry application for \$2000 for school supplies and cleaning products for distribution and funding of \$2000 application for school supply drive request by HTLC mission outreach. **Motion:** approve funding requests as presented by Berger, second by Schoenecker, motion passed.
- Discussion about Hy-Vee request to use some of the church parking lot for employee parking. Jackie Mackenthun offered to be a point person for follow up with details/considerations and arrangements/concerns working with Pastor Ben.
- "Dear Church" book discussion

**Old Business**

- Interior Church projects bids reviewed for bathrooms and fellowship hall remodel consideration
- Construction of addition update - framing is up and work continues.

**Closing Prayer:** The Lord's Prayer

**Motion to adjourn:** Schoenebeck, second by Hemann - motion passed meeting adjourned 902

Next Meeting August 17, 2020 @ 6:30pm. Location TBD. Devotions: Sande Schoenecker