

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 26, 2020

Church Council: (X = present): X Justin Arndt, X Larry Ballwahn, Steve Brandau, X Lori Brueggen X Joel Arndt, Tim Deichler; X Angie Gruen, X John Ornes, X Bud Osteboe, Also, X Nalani Bever and X Pastor Morris.

The meeting was called to order by President Justin Arndt 9:55 am.

Opening Prayer: offered By Pastor Morris.

Nalani Bever reported that the chicken fundraiser made a profit of \$4,082.42 thanks in large part to donations and Thrivent grants.

President Justin thanked Lori and Nalani specifically for their leadership also, everyone who helped make the fundraiser a success.

Pastor's Report:

Story Bibles have been distributed to the children. Pastor Cathy has provided suggested stories for them to read in September. She will do this again in October. Confirmation will be Sunday, October 25. An outdoor drive-in service will be held. Priority parking will be provided family. Pastor Libby will preach and preside at Communion. Ayawyn Conner, Marah Gruen, Brooklyn Gruen and Vanessa Anderson are the Confirmands. Pastor suggested continuing drive-in service as long as possible, even as the weather gets colder. Pastor and Nalani can adjust. [Because of the vulnerability of many congregation members and the growing number of Covid 19 cases, the Council concurred with continuing the drive-in services]. There is a need for Volunteers to lead the Creation Care Service on October 11. Pastor will be on vacation from October 7-13. There will be no communion. [Joel and John have volunteered] Suggest that first communion meeting start with Sunday School. [Sunday School parents will be contacted for input.]

Council Considerations

The 10:15 service to accommodate Sunday School was discussed. Since Sunday School is in limbo, Joel Arndt moved, and Angie Gruen seconded that the Worship service remain at 9:00 am. MC

Lori Brueggen asked about the status of the questionnaires. Bud Osteboe said they would be forthcoming as soon as the committee met one more time; something that Covid has interrupted.

Nalani reported that Bishop Arends will retire at the end of the year

After the Lord's Prayer, the meeting concluded at 10:35 by consensus

Respectfully Submitted; Larry Ballwahn, Council Secretary