

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 25, 2021

(church basement)

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

Called to order at 10:00 am by Council President, Justin Arndt.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Morris

Council meeting minutes of March 21, 2021: Motion to approve by Lori Brueggen; second, Steve Brandau. MC

Financial: Explanation of current Church finances by Nalani Bever. Motion to approve the March Financial Report and pay the April Bills; John Ornes, second, Bud Osteboe. MC

Pastor's Report: There are several new congregational resources posted on the synod website.

Open Doors Grant

to support your ministries as we resume in-person worship and gatherings.

Grace & Gigabytes

Preparing the Way for the Church's New Normal
FREE, no registration, click link April 29, 6:30 pm for ZOOM webinar.

Vitality Training for Congregations

Register w/ link by May 24 for first in 4-part training
beginning May 27, 12:30 - 2pm

Building a Culture of Generosity

Learn about this new stewardship program beginning in our synod this summer.

Synod Assembly Worship will be live streamed on Sunday, June 13@ 9:00 am. **How do we want to offer this to St. Paul's assembly? (Home, Bishop's Manuscript mailed to those without internet, other?)** - Since VBS is a cooperative venture, Greg Bever is still dealing with organizational matters. - I have returned to in-person visits to those fully vaccinated plus two weeks.

Committee Assignments

- Education Committee (Angie)
- Financial Committee (Tim)
- Property Committee (Steve)
- Social Ministry Committee (Bud)
- Worship Committee (Joel)

The only report was from Steve Brandau. He responded to a plugged downspout and got the lawnmower ready.
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Old Business

- Organ Repair: Because of the damage found when repairs were being made, new wiring and some pipe replacements are/were required. It is a slow process. Approximately \$19,000 has been donated \$24,000 has been billed and paid. There are still some additional pipes needed, reinstallation and tuning.
- Annual Meeting: John Ornes moved that the Annual Meeting be held on May 23, following the Church Service. Bud Osteboe seconded it. MC
- Chicken Dinner: With the help donations and Thrivent Grants the Dinner cleared nearly \$4,500.
- Permanent Tree: Pending; Bud Osteboe has offered a possibility from his property.
- Stairs: Pending
- Returning to inside services: St. Paul's will commence inside services on the first Sunday in May (May 2) Motion by Larry Ballwahn, second, Bud Osteboe. MC At a minimum the Prayer Chain and the Newsletter will be used to announce the date. Covid Protocol as adopted by the Council and published in the Newsletter will be used. Motion to adopt the proffered protocol, Bud Osteboe, second, John Ornes. MC Attached.
- Church Custodian: President Justin recommended that Thayden Conner be hired at \$15 an hour; second, John Ornes. MC
- Every Member Surveys: Motion by Bud Osteboe to accept the Committee's Recommendations regarding the surveys; second by John Ornes. MC with Steve Brandau voting no. Attached.

New Business: Nalani requested dates for Senior Recognition and Church Campus Clean-up. On a motion by President Justin, second by John Ornes Senior Recognition will be May 16. Clean-up will be May 22nd beginning at 9:00 am. MC

Next Meeting – June 20

Adjourned following the Lord's Prayer at 11:00 am

Respectfully Submitted; Larry Ballwahn, Secretary