

St. Philip's Council Minutes

January 18, 2021

Lance Twedt, Sadie Reiners, Katy Lindberg, Deborah Dreher, Becky Raimann, Abby Schultz, Mary Rock, Bruce Arndtson, Cindy Toppin, Pastor Greg Geier

Guest: Future President David Weisser

Treasurer Deborah Dreher

December Financial Reports indicate General Giving was 98.9% of General Giving Budget. 2020 total monthly giving continued to exceed the amount of 2019 total monthly giving. Actual Net Income YTD was \$43,526.28 vs. Budget \$-29,082.19.

QuickBooks Online update: conversion process completed.

Payroll Protection Program Update: relating to PPP Loan Forgiveness, during December, the amount of the loan, \$63,400, was taken into Income.

Budget Update: See attached: 2021 Revenue & Spending Plan was updated with December financials. Report is ready for distribution in the 2020 Annual Report.

Annual Meeting: Congregational Budget Review Meetings will be held via Zoom to discuss the 2021 Revenue & Spending Plan. Meetings will be hosted by Deborah and are scheduled for Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, January 24 at 10:30 am. FMT members will also attend.

Vice President Sadie Reiners

No report

Serving Ministries Mary Rock

Stewardship team reviewed a draft of its Annual Report, making it ready for publication. It also reviewed a cover letter for the year-end Financial Statements.

Thank you notes are being written by Gerri Lundby to all people who wrote a personal essay about themselves the newsletter feature "Staying Connected While We're Apart".

HR Cindy Toppin

Encouraged Pastor to take another vacation soon. Followed up with Ellen about Greg McKenzie who is doing some of our video work.

Learning Ministries Abby Schultz

Preschool:

Current numbers in the preschool look good. Next year registration will be February 16 for current families and church members. Open to the public as of Feb 22nd. They discussed how to do a safe open house. Budget was reviewed. They will be using some of our savings money this year but at this point it does not look to be the \$8,000 or \$9,000 we that we planned for in August. Assuming they stay on track for the rest of the year under \$5,000 is expected.

Worship & Music Report Becky Raimann

- Services: Both on-line and in-person services have been well-received. The music and service format of the Christmas Eve services, children's Christmas program, and synodical broadcast on December 27 were much appreciated. There was positive feedback from those attending the parking lot service, and appreciation expressed for Pr. Geier's effort in holding that service. The altar guild, in particular Lois and Judy, have done an outstanding job keeping up with the necessary changes in paraments and banners.

- **Lenten Planning:** The choir will be recorded singing the Holden Evening Prayer, to be played at each Lenten service. The workload will be doubled for producing the recordings of the Lenten services along with the Sunday services. Based on a survey Pastor Geier did of those attending in-person services, the plan is to have in-person Lenten services in addition to on-line Lenten services. Ellen has plans for recording the choir singing several pieces to be used in the coming weeks, including Palm Sunday and Easter. Greg McKenzie continues to assist with the visual on the recordings, with Ellen doing the sound mixing.

Communication, Marketing and Technology Bruce Arndtson

The team is getting ready for the Annual Meeting using Zoom.

Pastors Report:

Christmas Eve Services went as well as could be given our situation.

There is a Synod caucus and South Conference meeting on Saturday, February 13.

He is working on the logistics of our Annual Meeting with CMT and Mary Ellen Fox.

Lent begins on February 17 and starting on February 21, we will journey with Peter for our sermon series. He is trying to figure out how to best create and nurture mentor/confirmation student relationships during Lent.

New Business: Continued discussion on the Annual Meeting.

Constitution Review will be Thursday February 4 from 7 pm-8 pm via Zoom.

Tech check scheduled for Saturday February 6 from 9 am-12 pm

Meeting adjourned 6:47 pm

Submitted by Katy Lindberg