**Messiah Lutheran Church Council Meeting**

**1/12/2021**

Present: Dave, Cassandra, Pastor Doug, Ron, Rosemary, Debra, Steve and KD

Absent: Carlo Called to order at 6:48 PM

1. Prayer and meditation: Pastor Doug read Acts 22:11. Paul defends himself against the Temple.
2. Review and approval of 12/08/2020 Mintues: Motion to approve by Lee, seconded by Steve, and date Minutes were accepted.
3. Approval Of Agenda: Motion to approve by Ron, seconded by Steve, and date Minutes were accepted
4. Reports:
   1. Treasurer – Lee:
      1. December had a couple of unexpected expenses, but still ending up in the black. 1099’s have been filed. W2’s are filed.
      2. Lee still needs to reapply with Secretary of State to keep us keep us as a non-profit.
      3. Still looking to make Treasurer/Financial Secretary report coordination more seamless, but both accounts match at year end.
   2. Financial Secretary – Steve would like to better coordinate reporting with Shepard’s Staff application.
   3. Building and Grounds –
      1. Pastor reported that Anthony (and Antonio his son) are doing a great job.
      2. b) Louie has been weeding and cleaning around the outside of the church. Members have been contributing toward modest reward payment for his services. Pastor keeps a log.
      3. Ron replaced the light timer so that outside porch and east parking lot light lights are working again.
   4. MLCW - No report.
   5. Pastor Doug –
      1. Pastor thanked the congregation for donations for paper and sanitary supplies.
      2. Pastor is looking for volunteers to take down the Christmas greens at 11:00 on Wednesday.
      3. Pastor is planning to supply ashes for touchless Ash Wednesday services for home and in-person services.
      4. Average attendance has been 24 for in-house and Zoom worshippers. We had a very good response for delivering KMS Christmas boxes.
      5. Rising Sun still not doing in-house worship, but may start doing in-house Bible Study.
      6. Budget will not be significantly changed for 2021
      7. We have a new member from Washington State. Kd Moved, Lee Seconded to accept new member. Motion passed
      8. Pastor will complete the Parochial Report for 2019.
      9. Zoom License: Steve moved to sign up the church for its own license, KD seconded. Motion passed. Cassandra will take care of license change.
   6. Steve moved to approve all reports en masse, KD seconded. All reports were accepted.
   7. President – Cassandra had nothing to add that wasn’t already covered in old and new business
5. Old Business: (Look at Agenda )
   1. No Constitution Update
   2. AC fund will receive $1315 from 13th month donations plus $1200 from RSCC.
   3. Annual Meeting
      1. 2020 Annual Meeting Agenda will be very similar to 2019 Agenda.
      2. 2020 Building and Grounds report will be a collaborative effort that will be initiated by Cassandra and distributed to council members for more information.
      3. The Financial Treasure’s Report will be distributed for review by Steve in the next few days.
      4. Most committees were inactive due to COVID-19, so detailed reports will be not be given for MLCW and Worship and Music Committee.
      5. Nominations Cassandra reported that seven council members will necessary for 2021 council according to MLC bylaws.
         1. Those remaining: KD Pass, Debra Hoyt, Ron Kulju, Lee Danielson)
         2. Those whose terms are expiring: Cassandra Osterloh, Dave Hartenberger, Steve McHenry, Rosemary Butler, Carlo Bachechi
         3. Steve and Rosemary both indicated that they will run for 2021 Council. Steve and Lee both expressed an interest in keeping their 2020 roles for next year after getting a good system established . Those requests will be addressed by the 2021 Council
      6. A question arose regarding the required number of attendees. Cassandra will investigate and report back.
6. New Business
   1. Current Office Assistant will not be available for in-person support for upcoming summer. No immediate action required, but Cassandra urged the council to begin to think about whether we can continue with remote Office Assistant support.
7. Motion to Adjourn by KD at 8:04. Closed with the Lord’s Prayer.