

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Council Minutes May 21, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by president, Craig Fentress

Present: Craig Fentress, Pastor David Eisenhuth, Ginny Doarnberger, Lauren Rowe, Mark Koogler, Craig Robinson, Barbara Winebrenner, Maggie Stone, Craig Robinson, Junior Michael, June Habeck-Holler, Colleen Gildee, Pr. Greg Shook

Absent: Mark Deiterich (excused), Mary Madurski (excused)

Prayer and Devotions

Prayer and devotions led by Pastor David.

Minutes: The minutes of the March and April council meeting will be reviewed and approved via email.

Treasurer's Report/Endowment Fund: April 2019 financials were reviewed and approved.

Team Reports and Motions

From **Property and Finance:** Motion to approve spending up to \$40,000 for the repair of the pipe organ to be funded from overage from AC/Boiler funds. Seconded in council and approved. A meeting will be held with the congregation on Sunday, June 9th after each service. See the Finance team minutes for details.

The **Finance** team seeks approval from Council to change copy machine vendors. To avoid a conflict of interest, members of the Finance team and Lauren Rowe were excused from this portion of the meeting. Pastor David explained the details of the change in vendor, offering that it is important to support a congregation member's business pursuits. With the quotes being so close and the machines being comparable, it is sensible to award the business to the company associated with the congregant. **In review of the information provided by the Finance team, updated information provided by the vendor, and discussion held regarding the nuances of the involvement of a congregant, council motions to award to business to the congregant's company. Seconded and approved.** Craig Fentress will contact the vendors.

Social Ministry will sponsor Narcan training (30 minutes) on June 18th in Fellowship Hall. Initially, outreach volunteers expressed interest, but this training will be open to the congregation and other area churches. Lauren mentioned it may be a good idea to host an evening session for those who work full time.

Social Ministry would like to revive the Charity of the Month program through coordination with the other teams to avoid overlap (one charity project each month from one source).

Fellowship and Parish Life and the 150th Anniversary Celebration team had a successful Ladies Night Out.

Music and Worship – Jazz Vespers will take off during the months of July and August. The Saturday night service (suggested name 'Godspeed' - use various names to promote) will begin

June 15th (5pm) and will be limited to 30 minutes, no communion. Plans to begin Taize service in the fall. Red geraniums will be available for \$5 on Pentecost. A lot of positive feedback has been received from the community and congregation on the Pray Ground area.

ChrisEd found mid-range boxes for the Operation Christmas Child project. They are plastic and reusable. Two children in the confirmation class.

Property – discussed who controls heating and air settings and the addition of a second hand rail at the Randolph doors.

Mutual Ministry – holding regular meetings with staff members, including the deacons.

New Business

With the success of the last two community meals, we would like to sponsor another meal on June 28th (5-7pm) – a cookout (hotdogs, chips, cookies, drinks). Flyer with information to be given to the radio station. Information to be shared with police department (Lauren will contact).

Maggie will ask Chris Ed if they will be willing to set up and staff games for the children.

Old Business

As part of our goals to be part of the community, Ginny Doarnberger recommends a community work day (even just picking up trash along this block of Randolph) and requests research into how we can get a City of Hagerstown trash can. Colleen to research work t-shirts with Trinity logo.

June Habeck compiled a list of our goals and action items which was reviewed by council; our progress on each item was discussed.

As part of being good stewards, ask Property Team how recyclables are handled at the church.

President's Report

See information regarding goals and community event.

Craig requests that the Property Team review all of the fire exits and the locks on those doors to ensure we are compliant or to make improvements.

Pastor's Report

Pr. David and Colleen will be attending a leadership seminar 16-19 June at Luther Seminary.

See pastor's report for details of visits, services, etc.

Pastor David would like to be at Trinity beyond his three-year term call. Colleen and Craig will request information on how to proceed.

Calendar Changes/Reminders:

July 13th – volunteers needed for Pride Festival. Lauren will order Trinity items to hand out at festival. Pastor David will make announcement requesting volunteers and coordinate training.

M&W meeting on 6/2 at 1pm at Schmankerl Stube.

Saturday night service added to calendar. Community dinner added to calendar. Change meeting date of June Council.

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25th at 6:30pm.