

*We are a community of all ages gathered by God's grace
for worship, learning, loving and service to all.*

**MINUTES - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Meeting
Thursday, December 17, 2020**

Present: Anna-Marie Plyler, Donna Foster, Ed Beaman, Jamie Sanders, Karen Lucas, Marcia Woodward, Mitch Uehling, Noah Adams, Pastor Isenhower, Stacy Gross and Steve Steck. **Incoming Council Present:** Cathy Milejczak, Don Caughman and Peter Zornow.

Absent: Jennifer Ross, Katie Bostic. **Incoming Council Absent:** Emily Whitlow, Janet Lockhart, Leigh Ford

Call to Order and Devotion: President Ed Beaman called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M. Steve Steck gave the devotion and offered prayer.

Motion by Marcia Woodward

I move that Council give the Incoming Council Members present at this meeting a voice but no vote.
Second by Karen Lucas. **Motion Unanimously Approved.**

Adoption of Agenda:

President Beaman asked if there were any changes or corrections to the November 15, 2020 Council Agenda. Having none, pronounced the agenda was **Adopted by Acclamation.**

Adoption of Minutes:

1. November 15, 2020 Council Minutes: Motion to approve by Stacy Gross, second by Karen Lucas. **Minutes Unanimously Approved.**
2. December 6, 2020 Called Congregational Meeting: Motion to approve by Stacy Gross, second by Steve Steck. **Minutes Unanimously Approved**

Attendance and Membership for November 2020

<u>2020</u>	<u>8:30</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>10:45</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>2019</u>	<u>8:30</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>10:45</u>	<u>Total</u>
11/1/2020	DRIVE IN SERVICE			91	2020 COVID19	11/3/2019	64	59	102	166
11/8/2020	DRIVE IN SERVICE			86	2020 COVID19	11/10/2019	61	66	116	177
11/15/2020	DRIVE IN SERVICE			97	2020 COVID19	11/17/2019	53	53	101	154
11/22/2020	DRIVE IN SERVICE			90	2020 COVID19	11/24/2019	59	67	113	172
11/29/2020	DRIVE IN SERVICE			79						
Average				89		Average	59	61	108	167

Total Membership 12/31/2019: 708

Total Active Members 12/31/2019: 402

Current active membership at the time of the November 2020 Council Meeting: 394

Members Added since the November 2020 Council Meeting: 4

Jason and Terry Fowler: Reinstatement after being inadvertently removed from the roll

Larry and Erica Traylor: Affirmation of Faith

Members Removed since the November 2020 Council Meeting 2020: 1

Curtis Easter: death

Current active membership at the time of the December 2020 Meeting: 397

Reports

1. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report Submitted.
2. Pastor Andrew's Report: Pastor's Report Submitted.

Standing Committees:

1. Communication Committee – Karen Lucas, Council Liaison with Wade Wingard, Contact: No Written Report Submitted.
2. Evangelism Committee –Stacy Gross, Acting Chair. No Written Report Submitted.
3. Finance Committee –No Written Report Submitted.
4. Gifts Committee – Marcia Woodward: No Written Report Submitted.
5. Learning Committee – Katie Bostic, Chair: No Written Report Submitted.
6. Parish Life Committee – Karen Lucas, Chair: No Written Report Submitted.
7. Property Committee – Ed Beaman Council Liaison with Lauren Chandler Chair: No Written Report Submitted.
8. Social Ministry Committee – Steve Steck Council Liaison with Don Caughman Chair: No Written Report Submitted. Don Caughman noted that the Social Ministry Committee had the best support from the congregation this year in spite of the COVID Pandemic.
9. Worship Life Committee: Donna Foster, Chair: No Written Report Submitted.
10. Youth & Children Committee: Mitch Uehling, Chair: No Written Report Submitted.

Old Business:

1. Streaming Services:
President Beaman noted that the first Good Shepherd streaming service was November 29. Services will now be available at 10:30 AM each Sunday. The Christmas Eve service will be available at 4:30 PM on December 24. Services can also be viewed at any time after the initial air time.
2. Restart Task Force Meeting
The Restart Task Force Meetings are now taking place every other week. Two members from the Worship Life Committee have joined the task force. With Ed Beaman's tenure as President ending, Cathy Milejczak has agreed to take the role of Chair.
3. COVID Payroll Protection Plan
Rebecca Richardson has begun the process of obtaining government forgiveness of the PPP that was awarded to Good Shepherd. When this process is complete, Good Shepherd will not have to pay back the funds drawn and used.

New Business:

1. Mutual Ministry Motion
Mutual Ministry Committee moves to appoint the following persons to the Mutual Ministry Committee with their terms ending as listed below.
Don Caughman: Continue serving with his term ending December 2021
Cheryl Beaman: Continue serving with her term ending December 2022
Amanda Snodgrass: Continue serving with her term ending December 2022
Phil Tollison: Continue Serving with his term ending December 2022
Kevin Gross: Term beginning January 2021 and ending December 2023
Mary Stallings: Term beginning January 2021 and ending December 2023.
Motion Unanimously Approved.

2. Interim Treasurer Motion
*Move that Sunday School Offerings from the children and youth be placed in a Money Market sub-account in order to track and carry over collections. These offerings are currently designated to purchase farm animals from Good Gifts. The sub-account shall be named **Children and Youth Good Gifts**.* Second by Mitch Uehling. **Motion Unanimously Approved.**
3. Refresh on Submitting Bills for Payment and Reimbursement
President reminded returning Council Members and explained to incoming Council Members the proper way to submit bills for their committee for payment and how to submit a reimbursement request to be paid for a purchase made on behalf of the committee/church.
4. Corrections and Additions to Council Contact Information
A Council Contact Information Sheet was passed around for returning and incoming Council Members to verify, correct or add contact information. The completed list will be distributed to all 2021 Council Members
5. 2021 Council Committee Assignments:
 - a. Communications: Leigh Ford
 - b. Evangelism: Peter Zornow
 - c. Finance: Janet Lockhart with
 - i. Technology Subcommittee of Finance: Jamie Sanders
 - d. Gifts: Gaye Tucker with Macia Woodward Liaison
 - e. Learning: Katie Bostic
 - f. Parish Life: Karen Lucas
 - g. Property: Lauren Chandler with Marcia Woodward Liaison
 - h. Social Ministry: Don Caughman
 - i. Worship Life: Cathy Milejczak
 - j. Youth and Children: Emily Whitlow
6. Council Person of the Month Assignments
Returning Council Members were given first choice in signing up for Council Person of the Month. Incoming Council Members, who were in attendance, followed in choosing their month. Council Officers also signed up to serve since there are fewer Council Members than months in the year.
7. Council Meeting Dates for 2021
Council Meeting and Executive Committee Dates for 2021 will be emailed to all Council Members.
8. Council Retreat
the 2021 Council Retreat will be held on Saturday, January 9 , 2021 from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon in the FAB.
9. 2021 Council Installation
Council members and Council Officers will be installed on December 27th 2020 at the Drive-In Service.

Petitions and Communications:

1. Council was reminded to stay in touch with their committees.
2. The COVID-19 Tracking Information for South Carolina was provided to Council.
3. Council Members were reminded to turn in their Annual Reports to the Parish Administrator as soon as possible.
4. The 2021 Council Members were given the Time and Talent results which contained a list of members who signed up to volunteer on the committees for which they were responsible.

5. President Beaman presented Pastor Isenhowe with a card signed by many members of the congregation. The card expressed their encouragement and appreciation of his pastoral care and leadership during his first year at Good Shepherd all while dealing with the COVID Pandemic and the effect it had on our parish life.

Looking Forward

N/A

The Pulse:

N/A

Executive Session:

N/A

Adjourn:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M. with Council Members joining in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted: Anna-Marie Plyler

Pastor's Report
Rev. Andrew Isenhower
December 17, 2020—January 14, 2021

Pastoral Acts

- No funerals
- Baptism for Leo Van Duys
- No weddings

Worship and Music

- I preached, presided, and led worship for 2 drive-in services and for 3 streamed services.
- I participated in worship planning.

Education

- I have continued leading the mid-week bible studies via Zoom twice a week.
- I have provided Faith 5 resources each week for members and families.
- I have continued teaching in-person Bible study in the FAB Tuesdays at 11:30 AM.
- I am working on a revamped Confirmation class

Pastoral Care

- I made no hospital/rehab visits as these facilities remain closed to visitors.
- I made 3 home/yard visits to parishioners in need of Pastoral Care.
- I made 19 Pastoral Care phone calls.

Social/Fellowship/Community Events

- None this month.

Church Business

- I submitted my annual report to the congregation for publication in our February annual report.
- I have continued supervising our seminary student Aaron Spangler.
- I attended the following committee meetings:
 - Youth and Children Committee
 - Executive Committee
 - Restart Task Force

Synodical Business

- I am working on my annual report to the Bishop.
- I am assisting the staff with our congregation's reports to the ELCA.

Continuing Education

- I met with my clergy group. We meet with a counsellor once a month to discuss life and ministry and support one another.

Self-Care

- I took time each day for devotional reading and prayer.
- Michelle, the kids, and I were in quarantine from December 31-January 10 due to exposure to Covid-19.

Respectfully submitted,



Pastor Andrew Isenhower