

Cedar Springs United Methodist Church Council
(ZOOM) Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2020

Opening Devotion

Council Member Present: Jennifer August, Carolyn Davis, Dan Davis, Bonnie Hitchingham, Pastor Bill Johnson, Mari Anne Jones, Rose Kempf, Sid Kempf, Nancy Nielsen, Nancy Noreen, Tom Noreen, Ann Scott, Dorothy Scott, Chris Segard, Shari Wesche, Karen Young.

Council Members Absent: Keith Caldwell, Art Gerhardt, Fred Gunnell, Shirley Neff, Chuck Smith.

Guests: None.

Council Chair, Rose Kempf, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.99m.

1. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. New Pastor – Pastor Larry & wife, Sharon will be living in the parsonage at Kent City Chapel Hill UMC. Move in date is June 29, 2020. Art Gerhardt (treasurer) will be in contact with Kent City to work out the billing/payroll details.

2. FINANCE REPORTS:

- a. PPP Grant/Loan has been deposited into the bank. Finance is working on budget adjustment information based on COVID19 & current status. Electronic Giving has been setup & being used. Reports on file.

3. CHURCH CONFERENCE:

- a. Call in times set for Wednesday, May 20, 2020 from 3:00-7:00 pm for the vote on approval of Pastor Larry French's salary. Jennifer will send a second email reminder to church members.

4. WORSHIP TIME:

- a. Discussed that with two churches worship times would change. Majority of the council members leaned towards earlier worship time. Rose Kempf will discuss with Pastor Larry & Kent City Chapel Hill UMC Council Rep.

5. HELLO/GOODBYE CELEBRATIONS:

- a. Discussed options during COVID19 time. Will go back to SPRC to make decision about how to handle.

6. TASK FORCE GROUPS:

- a. Pastor Bill discussed the establishment of a Task Force Team – Rethinking Church. Four small groups will look at Worship, Building Use, Food Pantry and Small Groups for reentry into the church building and how we will keep people safe with a new normal that will take place in phases. Next meeting for them is May 27, 2020.

7. COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- a. Trustees – parsonage use will be discussed, Jerry VanderWal is taking care of yard at parsonage.
- b. Welcome & Care Committee – lots of contacting & communication during this time.
- c. Christian Education – Vacation Bible School on hold, Christian Ed. Has some online with older kids and mailed packets to younger kids.
- d. Memorials – purchased the video/recording equipment for online worship.
- e. Missions – asking for food pantry monetary offering for June
- f. UMW – Fall sale is still anticipated
- g. Men’s Group – Road Cleanup for July
- h. Task Force – shared the chart for CSUMC showing Risk Status of COVID19

8. Closing: Pastor Bill Johnson

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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