

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
Waconia, Minnesota
 Church Council Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, August 27, 2020 at 6:30 pm

Mission: To learn, serve and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Vision: To be a dynamic, energized worshipping community where all are growing in our relationship with Jesus Christ, one another and those beyond our walls.

Inclusive Grace. Contagious Love.

Council Members	Role	Present	Absent
Richard Scott	President	X	
Patrick Butler	Vice President	X	
Mary Fahrenkamp	Treasurer		X
Jessica Hartmann	Secretary		X
Rob Dansare	Building & Maintenance	X	
Kristin Johnson	Worship & Music	X	
Jim Karstens	Stewardship	X	
Quentin Knaak	Social Outreach		X
Aaron Kopel	IT & Communications		X
Sue Monson-White	Connections	X	
Sarah Wilson	Faith Formation	X	
Dale Peterson	Sr. Pastor	X	
Katie Escalante	Associate Pastor	X	

- Called to Order 6:30 – Richard Scott
- **Opening Devotions** – Patrick Butler
- **Reading of Faith’s Mission & Vision Statement** – Patrick Butler
- **Ministry Update** - Faith Formation – Sarah Wilson
 - Summer Highlights – Summer Stretch and VBX
 - Shannon - still trying to get her name and face out there – postcards, Children’s times, Facebook, participating in Sunday worship.
 - Fall Highlights – Couple different tracks for Spark – in person & virtual – Sundays & Tuesdays, Car*nival & Rally Day

- **Pastors' Reports**

- Pastor Katie Escalante-
 - Busy Month
 - Covid Care Kits – cleaning, hygiene – soup – so if you someone has Covid – can drop of a care kit
 - Common Hope 5k – everyone walk on your own – 5k – September 19th - caramel rolls, sponsor a kid, donate
 - Communications team – updated booklet (guidelines from pandemic preparedness team) = who/what/where meetings – with regards to protocols
 - Attended an online Seminar – “being church today” – lean into loving one another – becoming comfortable with discomfort
- Pastor Dale Peterson–
 - Prayers – gift of community for people by praying and caring for each other –
 - Thanks to those that have called
 - Twin Cities Sound -
 - Equipment shipped tomorrow – set up a date for install
 - 14 ppl – Racial Justice seminar – very good – history on African Americans in America -guidelines and process for discussion
 - Books Reading/Read
 - Rob Bell – What we talk about when we talk about God
 - Anne Lamont – Almost Everything: Notes on Hope
 - Will Willimon: Aging – Growing Old in Church
 - Nice to have the tent – meeting one on one – pre-marriage counseling
 - Rally day – September 13th – Jenn Bostic
 - Three services outside – 10:00 filling up
 - 8:30 & 11:00 still have seating
 - One baptism outside – another one scheduled

- **Secretary's Report -**

- Moved to accept July's minutes– Patrick –
- 2nd – Robert –
- Approved unanimously

- **Treasurer's Report –**

- Mike C sent
- Jim - moved to accept
- Patrick 2nd
- Approved unanimously

- **Key Discussion Topics**
 - No additional wish lists for this month
 - Discussion led by Robert Dansare- Sound booth expansion – set up new live streaming equipment - & physical distancing, follow up to get more details and see what specifics (space, people, equipment) are needed before install
 - **Covid 19 – Preparedness Committee** – not met since July - using framework to foster all communications, many preparations have been made to follow Covid-19 guidelines
 - Several classrooms unused
 - Spark on Tuesdays
 - Ignite & BYG – swapping weeks
 - Services - 8:30 in Sanctuary & 10:00 in Steiner Hall
 - Small Groups utilizing different spaces and some virtual
 - **Transition Team & Call committee** – Patrick Butler
 - Meeting tonight – next steps is to summarize due diligence activities - meeting with the Bishop – several meetings with several different folks – plot the path
 - How to Lead when you don't know where your going – leading in the liminal space
 - **Building & Maintenance** – Robert Dansare– handle changes for restroom doors – little storm damages – shingles, flashing
 - **Worship & Music** – Kristin Johnson – 8:30 sanctuary – 10:00 Steiner (Prime Time – maybe) committee meeting next week – excited about Jenn Bostic – need to sign up
 - **Stewardship** – Jim Karstens– 24 weeks of online worship – down about \$66k – 14% less – 12 families chat, 20 messages
 - **Connections** –Sue Monson-White- Pastor Katie shared Covid packages - need to meet regarding Rally Sunday
- Closing Prayer – Patrick Butler
- Adjourn: 7:14