

**Salem Lutheran Church**  
**Council Meeting Minutes from June 24, 2021**

Council Mission Statement: *We exist, with God's help, to provide leadership for the Salem Lutheran Church Congregation*

MSC = The motion was seconded and carried.

**Present:** Pastor Mike Briggs, Jeff Mitchell, Jena Reed, Terry Tichenor, Al Schiffler, Paul Tesdahl, Tracy Perpich, Mark Carlson

**Absent:** Renee Voller

**Call to Order**

**Opening Prayer by Pastor Mike**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** Approve minutes of the May, 2021 Council meeting. MSC.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Treasurer Terry Tichenor reviewed financial reports with the Council.

**Motion:** Approve the May, 2021 Financial Reports. MSC.

**Pastor's Report**

- Pastor Mike reviewed the past month's ministry highlights. The PPPP (Post Pandemic Pancake Party) was well attended!
- Pastor led study on *The Post-Quarantine Church*, chapter five.

**Action:** All: Read chapter six of *The Post-Quarantine Church*.

**Committee Reports**

- Worship and Music: Because of lack of volunteers to fill communion cups, the committee recommended we continue with communion as is. However, there have been other volunteers recently, and Tracey will bring this up again at the next committee meeting.
- Facilities: Glen will be on vacation July 5-11. Need people to help with the cleaning while he is away.
- OGB: A statement was handed out regarding what has been given out at Salem West. This should be put in the Newsletter with a statement from Don.  
**Action:** Pastor will talk with Don regarding this.

**Unfinished Business**

- Capital Appeal: Paul provided an update on the Capital Appeal process. Of the surveys handed out, 51 out of 198 were returned. An announcement will be made on Sunday asking for help for specific tasks.
- Call Committee: Jeff provided an update from the Call Committee.

- Bell Tower: Permit has been approved. Chime Master is in the process of building the tower. We are waiting for the template for where to put the sono tubes and bolts. Gary Guida has volunteered to spearhead the concrete work.
- Summerfest: Council is responsible for serving the ice cream.
- Daycare: Fire Marshall approved the facility. Cassie continues working the issues.

### **New Business**

- Strategic Planning: Looking at strategies and tactics.
- Church Secretary: Debbie Carlson as agreed to a permanent position. Hours will be 9-3 Monday – Friday with an hour for lunch (25 hours/week).  
**Motion:** Accept Debbie Carlson as the church secretary. MSC
- Constitution Review: Mark provided an update on their progress. The Audit Committee has not been active. We need to re-activate this.

### **Discussions**

- Peggy's position needs to be filled. Add to agenda for next meeting.  
**Action:** All: Come with names that might be interested.
- We need to consider Glen's working hours. If the daycare works out, they will be responsible for cleaning their area.
- Ruth will be gone for a couple months and will need someone to cover some items while she is out. She can continue to do a lot of the work remotely. This will be added to the agenda for next month.  
**Action:** Terry will talk to Ruth about what will be required.
- **As a Council, we commend ALL of the people for making VBS happen!!**

### **S.O.S.**

- Footstep stones were covered up during the spring clean-up. They were uncovered.

### **Announcements**

- There is a short in the lighting in the parking lot. Ernie is working the issue.
- The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on July 22, 2021, at 6:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

- Prayed the Lord's Prayer.

Prepared by: Jena Reed