

Joint Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 18, 2021 7:00 p.m. at Living Hope LC

Present: Joe Georgeson, Paul Hoffmann, Pastor Jerry Groth, Chris Lear, Sue Schiller, Julie Irish, Ellen Smith, Fred Walls, Mark Dybdahl, Becki Hill

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Paul

Pastor Jerry opened the meeting with prayer.

Old Business

- Pastor's Report:
 - A calendar from each church is needed.
 - Give thought to face to face at both church locations
 - Need people to assist at every worship service and those assistants should be well-prepared ahead of time.
 - Pastoral care - reminder that this includes traveling time
 - People at each congregation need to be calling members regularly to "check in" on them.
 - Pastor Jerry is "here to be with us, not fix us", but please call anytime if needed.
 - Question about office hours and time to meet with congregation members if needed. CTK is in the process of hiring a new office administrator. Pastor Jerry and Shannon will make a schedule for at LH.
- Call Committee Update: Joint Call Committee members will be meeting with Pastor Kristen on 8/19 to go over what is expected of them and where to go from here.
- Children's Worship: Jenny Florio is excited to get children's worship up and running again. Discussion on pros and cons of having children actually in worship.
- Mutual Ministry Team: The team will be planning a meeting with Pastor Jerry in the near future.
- COVID-19 Updates: Following CDC rules/guidelines that masks are strongly encouraged indoors.
- Sharing Volunteers: Both churches are having a difficult time getting people to volunteer. Once each church has a list together, we will look into combining them.
- Paving Parking Lots: CTK is going forward with getting a contract for 2022 and will ask if there is a special discount in doing 2 lots at once.

New Business

- Worship plan - Joint worship team and pastor - What does a win look like? Know what you want before making a plan.
- Baptisms/Weddings - contact Pastor Jerry
- Websites need updating (new photos, etc.) and Pastor's name and phone number need to be added.
- Confirmation classes - next class 8/26 5pm at the Lighthouse Family Activity Center.

Closing Prayer by Pastor Jerry

Next Meeting: 9/15/21 7:00 pm (at CTK?)