St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes – Nov 14/21 @ 11:15

Present: Belinda Josephson, Ann Joudrey, Karen Field, Wilfred Feener, Andre Brideau, Marshall Robar, Helen Sarty, Sarah vanderWal, David Zwicker, Rev Paul, Cedric Wentzell and Judy Garber

1. Call to Order by Belinda

Opening Prayer by Judy

- **2. Approval of Nov Agenda** Motion to approve by Judy, seconded by Ann
- **3. Approval of October Minutes:** Motion to approve by Karen; seconded by Helen
- **4. Financial Report:** Andre moved adoption of his reports sent via email, seconded by David Motion Passed

Hall Estate GIC is up for renewal Dec 18/21. No funds are presently available to withdraw. \$1800.00 was available in 2021 but used for summer students. Discussion Motion made by Sarah to withdraw \$2000.00 from principle for expenses such as another summer student in 2022; seconded by Andre Motion Passed Andre will put in our budget for both a Provincial and Federal student for summer of 2022.

Andre moved the adoption of his report; seconded by David.

Motion Passed

5. Pastor's Report: Rev. Paul's report was accepted as sent via email. **Paul's Request re: Update of Teams and their Responsibilities:** Work in progress. Worship Review will be tabled until 2022. Vacation request is for Dec 26-31. Sarah volunteered to lead the Service for Dec 26th.

6. Old Business:

a. COVID 19 Update:

COVID restrictions will remain the same, following the NS government guidelines. Our Church will stay vigilant and follow present protocols.

Guidelines for hall rentals were reviewed. Vacc checks and masks are required, no food, and only 50% capacity allowed.

b. Update re: Church Plumbing & Electrical Repairs:

Plumbing - Work is completed and invoice paid. Electrical work is not fully completed to date.

c. Survey - Those responses received so far are $\frac{3}{4}$ **in favor of** keeping to one Service at 10 am. Paul will provide more details later.

7. Correspondence:

- 8. Ministry "Team" Reports:
- **a. Property:** Reported earlier in minutes.
- **b. Worship and Praise:** Name change to 'Worship Team'. Chair will be June Zwicker. Peter & Judy W. will decorate for Christmas. Next meeting is Dec 9 at 10 am
- **c.Stewardship:** Shoeboxes received today will be checked and sent. Request received from our Food Bank for cookies and/or crackers for Christmas Box Delivery (due on Dec 10/21). Suzanne's projects for Soul's Harbour are due on Nov 21st. A **Master List** of requests for donations to various projects will be drafted and circulated to the Congregation and they can decide to which they will give.

Sponsor-a-Child has been covered to the amount of \$450.00

d.Fellowship: No report

e. Learning: Team is requesting a part-time worker for Youth & Children. Budget not available. Sunday School is reporting an increase from 2 children the first Sunday to 6 children and 2 youth the second Sunday. Next meeting is January 11/22 @ 10 am.

f. Technology: No issues

Teams were reminded that their Annual Reports are due the first weeks of January, 2022.

- 9. New Business:
- **a. Video Music:** Purchase of 'Worship Lyric Videos' (acoustic version) Andre and Suzanne to meet & discuss.
- **b.** Sarah distributed Membership Lists to Council to follow-up with prayers

M=Member F=Friend R=Relative

c. Altar Guild: The present group is finished.

Andre to lead on changes and suggest a 'new name'.

d. Custodian Update: A number of applicants have been received and interviews will take place next week, Nov 15-19th.

10. Closing Prayer by Rev Paul

Next meeting: Sunday, Dec 12 at 11:15 am

Respectfully submitted Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: