***A Christ-centered community***

***welcoming all people and serving God through the Holy Spirit.***

**As our congregation's leaders, we hear the call to be authentic, affirming, and available.**

Council Meeting Agenda for April 21, 2020, at 7:00PM

Council members present: Pastor Gary Kinkel, Pastor Jerod Freeberg, Jesse Rients, Mike Laurel, Erik Vangsness, Kirsti Youngs, Aimee Johnson, Paula Brennan

**I. Gathering**

1. Call to order 7:04pm: Jesse Rients
2. *Motion to approve agenda: Pastor Gary Kinkel/Paula Brennan; carried.*
3. Scripture and prayer: Pastor Gary Kinkel - The Council in the Word: Acts 13:13-26

**II. Discerning Our Mission**

1. PPP Loan – Erik Vangsness has applied for the PPP Loan and received approval.

St. John’s should receive confirmation on amount in the next few days.

1. Old National Bank line of credit – Council voted via email to approve of re-establishing a $25,000 line of credit from Old National Bank. This line of credit expires every year.
2. Insurance change to Church Mutual – Council voted via email to establish Church Mutual of Merrill, WI, for general liability and workers’ compensation insurance.
3. Wedding fees – Council voted via email on setting fees for members and non-members.

All weddings held at St. John’s shall include a current St. John’s pastor.

Use of the sanctuary and fellowship hall is no cost for members and $800 for non-members.

Use of the sanctuary only (and rooms for changing) is no cost for members and $400 for non-members.

Pastor’s fee is $300 (members and non-members) which includes premarital conversations and the wedding itself. An additional $100 fee will be charged when the premarital counseling tool is used.

Custodial fee is $150 for members and $200 for non-members.

Pastor Gary will consult with Sean Vander Veen regarding musician fees.

St. John’s does not have a wedding coordinator; therefore, the wedding coordinator fee has been eliminated.

1. Building maintenance expenses - Mike Laurel is working to gather information and potential vendors on replacing the boilers. The estimate to replace emergency lighting is $2800. Repairs on the stove/oven are also needed to prepare for Loaves and Fishes.

*Motion to ask a service person to assess the stove for repairs and if it is less than $450, repairs can be made: Pastor Gary Kinkel/Mike Laurel; carried.*

1. Painting the fellowship hall area - Pastor Jerod Freeberg has a connection for outreach to have the fellowship hall area professionally painted for free.
2. Loaves and Fishes – the link for volunteers to sign up will be included in the weekly newsletter, on the website, and possibly Between 2 Candles.

**III. Giving Thanks**

1. Treasurer’s Report – C*ouncil approved via email.*
2. Motion to approve council minutes – C*ouncil approved minutes via email.*

**IV. Sending**

1. Review action items established—next council meeting date **May 19, 2020**
2. Assign report for newsletter and reports for Annual Report – N/A
3. Closing Prayer - Pastor Jerod Freeberg
4. Adjournment – *Motion to adjourn: Pastor Gary Kinkel/Kirsti Youngs; 8:25pm carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Brennan, Council Secretary

*Meeting Ground Rules: \*Keep it real, \* Everyone participates, \*Different opinions encouraged,*

*\*Disagree in private, \*Unite in public, \* Silence is agreement, \* Limit side conversations, \* Start on time, \*Follow through on action plans.*