

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Board of Trustees Meeting

March 8, 2021

In attendance: Barbara Ashton, Terrilee Fitz, Chris Hopkins, Larry Miller, Mike Platz, Pr. James Wakefield, Jennifer Wollesen

Absent: Mark Miller Guests: Pr. Jeff Tally and Pr. Susan Westland

The meeting was opened by Barbara at 6:08 PM. Pr. Jeff offered the opening prayer.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as revised.

Old Business – Constitution and By-Laws update. After discussion the BOT decided on wording for online meeting attendance and corrections.

New Business - None

Pastor Report – We are still struggling with Tech. There have been mixed reactions to the color lights and mixed reactions to the gray cloth. Barb Nelson is looking into 'Stage White'. People are coming back to church in person so attendance is up a little.

The Call Committee has recommended to the BOT that we bring Pr. Jeff Tally to the congregation to vote for Senior Pastor. A motion was made by Jennifer and seconded by Chris to accept the Call Committee's recommendation. Motion carried. Pr. Jeff then answered questions from the BOT about his vision. Pr. Jeff hopes to connect the church back together through relationships, fellowships and fun things to do including worship, prayer and bible study. The church theme after Easter is Hope and this fits nicely into his vision. Pr. Jeff wants to put more emphasis on the Holy Spirit and how it flows through us and we become fully submitted to where the Holy Spirit leads us. Pr. James will go part time and the resulting savings will provide the potential for hiring a part time Volunteer Coordinator. Pr. Jeff has talked someone who has proven their ability to serve in this capacity and is willing to serve should the congregation agree. Two town hall meetings are being planned for the congregation to ask Pr. Jeff questions. March 28 and April 11 at 11:30 AM are the dates. One online meeting is being planned for April 7 at 7 PM.

Financial – - The gas bill was \$991 for the month and two-month total of \$2440 vs a budget of \$458 per month. Is there an issue there that needs to be looked into or is this just higher in winter and much lower in other seasons? It only shows \$1100 rental income from Milestone Houses vs budget of \$2400 for February. Overall total income was \$9200 short for the month, two-month total deficit of \$22,350. Member Offerings were short \$5800, Cash offerings short \$1000, and \$1300 short for the milestone house and \$136 short on daycare. Total Expenses were overall \$6000 below budget, and that even included some quarterly insurance payments. So total shortfall was -\$3200 for the month.

Human Relations – Nothing to report.

Legal – Chris and Kathy had a conversation about the church insurance and decided to stay with Church Mutual.

Marketing – Plans are being made to hold a June bike blessing and possibly a bike trade with Sandy Police. The crosses will not be built until around Christmas.

Facilities – No report

Mission – Nothing to report

At Large – No report

Next meeting is April 12 at 6 PM

The meeting closed at 7:20 PM with a prayer from Barb.

Respectively Submitted,
Jennifer Wollesen
Secretary