

**First Lutheran Church of Aitkin, Minnesota  
Congregation Council Meeting Agenda (R.2)**

**DATE/TIME:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 (6:30 p.m.)

**LOCATION:** GoTo Meeting

**MEETING:**  Regular  Special

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pastor Reggie Denton; Pastor Jordan Gades; David Meyer; Jessi Goble; Todd Werner; Sue Landsverk; Kim Jones; Lynne Kellerman; Philip Martin; Dori McMillan; ~~Lucas Moen~~; Chancy Nordick;

**OTHERS PRESENT: Staff:**

**Guests/Visitors:**

**NOTICE:**  Posted Electronically;  Mailed;  Emailed; Objection:  Yes  No

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| <b>Call to Order</b>   | By: David Meyer; At: PM 6:38  | Quorum: YES X NO;                                      |
| Opening Prayer   | D Meyer   |  |
| Stories of God at work in the mission & ministry of FLC  | P Jordan; Nice seeing 5th and 6th graders back on Wednesday nights<br>Sue; New grandchild report,<br>Jessi; Thank you to all the people that stepped up to get last Sunday's service done, and overcame all the technical glitches that occurred. |  |
| <b>Business Meeting</b>  |   |  |
| <b>Agenda Item</b>   | <b>Presentation/Discussion</b>  | <b>Recommendation/Action</b>                           |
| 1. Agenda  | <b>Motion:</b> To approve the agenda  | Motion by: Jessi<br>Second by Sue<br>Motion :Carried   |
| 2. Consent Agenda<br>a. Council Meeting Minutes 1/14/2021<br>b. Report from Office Manager 2/2021<br>c. Altar Guild Meeting Minutes 1/2021<br>d. Stewardship Ministry Report 2/11/2021 | <b>Motion:</b> To approve the consent agenda  | Motion by: Phil<br>Second by: Lynne<br>Motion: Carried |

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| <p>3. Sr. Pastor Reggie's:<br/> a. Annual Report<br/> b. Expense Reimb. Request, and</p> | <p>P. Reggie: 1st communion this year will include 3rd graders due to covid last year which will require 4 classes this year. 6th graders will be first and then subsequent grades/Sundays to follow. Due to size, the classes will be split.</p> <p>The future of affirmation; Will take place both individually and in pairs. Kids will choose their date and time for making promises of affirmation. They will do it when they are ready. "Make promises that they mean." When its all done, FLC can hold a group event for entire class to celebrate.</p> <p>P Reggie; Announced that he will be taking vacation 1st week of March.</p> <p>Lent; 6:00 service each Wednesday during lent. Good Friday will have 2 services. Easter; 3 services, 2 live, 8:00 and 11:00 with air exchange in between. Ash Wednesday; 2 services with "drive thru" putting on the ashes, in parking lot.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> To approve P Reggie's annual and expense report</p> | <p>Motion: By Todd<br/> Second: By Chancy<br/> Motion Carried</p>  |
| <p>4. Assoc. Pastor Jordan's Report</p>  | <p>P Jordan: Working on Lent services with area churches. FLC will participate in an Easter Vigil with other churches. It will be online.</p> <p>Extravaganza went well.</p> <p>Not getting huge numbers as far as Sunday school. 10-15 kids.</p> <p>Working on summer activities.</p> <p>D Meyer: We need to be aware of communities events so that we don't run into a conflict with some of our activities. VBS would be an example</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> To approve P Jordans report</p>  | <p>Motion: By Jessi<br/> Second By: Lynne<br/> Motion: Carried</p> |

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| <p>5. Annual Meeting Planning</p>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ In person and via Zoom/Youtube</li> <li>◆ <b>Trial run this Sunday at 11:30 AM.</b></li> <li>◆ <b>Copies of the annual Report will be sent via email with a Zoom link for this weekend.</b></li> <li>◆ <b>Who is available to coach people trying to connect?</b></li> <li>◆ All hands on deck for the actual meeting please<br/>Discussion on sound booth person needed, also a person with a microphone for congregation.<br/>Encourage questions be submitted beforehand.<br/>D Meyer; Still working on how to count votes if members are sharing one computer.<br/>Jessi: People should log in 10 minutes beforehand. Not at the last minute.<br/>D Meyer; Would anyone be available to answer questions regarding technical issues with zoom meeting.<br/>K Jones. Can we use Fellowship hall for people to use during the meeting? That would require more people to monitor the meeting. Kim feels that we need to try to accommodate families with children.</li> </ul> |  |
| <p>6. Nominating Committee Update</p>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Congregation Council – 1 needed</li> <li>◆ Strategic Planning – 1 needed</li> <li>◆ Safety Committee – 2 needed</li> <li>◆ Personnel Committee – 1 needed</li> </ul>  |  |
| <p>7. 1/31/2021 Financial Report</p>                     | <p>Sue: Offering down \$5K +/- from this time last year. Building Fund balance is \$9730.00, which leaves FLC with enough for 2 months of mortgage payments.<br/>Sue: Explained that “expense report” is what the congregation sees, not the “comparison of giving” report.<br/>Barb has mentioned adding additional lines to accounting ledger to add clarity to college scholarship funds.<br/><b>Motion:</b> To approve Financial Report</p>  | <p>Motion by: Dori<br/>Second by: Jessi<br/>Motion Carried</p> |
| <p>8. Faith Formation Proposal to Create a CYF Board</p> | <p>This will be moved to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Council Workshop as part of the overall discussion regarding Faith Formation.<br/>P Jordan; We need to think about everyone.<br/>D Meyer; 1 Ist</p>  |  |
| <p>9. Additional Items</p>                               | <p>Kim: Asked if Safety committee was looking at the “next phase” reopening. Item included; singing at worship, lifting limits on people that can attend worship. D. Meyer responded that lack of ushers is a concern.<br/><br/>FLC will be used as a vaccination site on March 10th and 17th. April 7th and 14th.<br/><br/>D Meyer thanked members of council that will be retiring from the council.</p>   |  |

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| 10. NOTICES:        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning is underway for Quarterly Council Workshops</li> </ul> |                 |
| • Closing Prayer    | D Meyer  |                 |
| • Meeting Adjourned | Motion to adjourn at 7:59  | Motion: By Todd |
| Executive Session   |  |                 |

Secretary: Todd Werner    Date: 2/11/2021