

March Windsor Heights Lutheran Church Council summary

On March 22, your WHLC church council met for their monthly meeting. President Ryherd called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm with all members in attendance online. John Ambrosion provided the opening devotion and prayer. The meeting agenda and the Secretary's minutes of the February meeting were approved.

Duane Danielson provided the Treasurer's report. Income in February was extremely strong, more than making up for the January shortfall. Danielson explained that two annual gifts were received and a refund from Guide One that contributed the exceptionally strong month. It was noted that WHLC does not qualify for the second round of the PPP government loan program. WHLC did not apply in the first round.

Pastor Robin offered that close to 300 personal care kits had been received to date, almost double the goal with more expected to come in. Robin also provided information regarding memorials and examples of past uses for these funds.

Pastor Chris shared an article about returning to worship as more people are vaccinated. Staff has started to brainstorm plans for return to worship. They are documenting post-pandemic thoughts and ideas. They will share the document with council. Council was challenged to think about we, the church, have done that is good, what can we restart and what we have not done that may not need to be restarted. In addition, where have we benefitted and how we could use those benefits to help others. What do we have new energy for?

In Old Business, Pastor Chris summarized the Health committee meeting. Current plans remain in place. It is ok to meet in small groups socially distanced with masks. Members are encouraged to get vaccines, but it is not required.

Plans were approved to get the west parking lot re-striped with an estimated cost of \$300 or less. Bids will be received. Ryherd will follow up with Chuck Young.

In new Business, Committee liaison assignments were shared with council. Council members will be reaching out to their committee leaders.

Ryherd had connected with each council member over the previous 30 days to discuss post-pandemic life at WHLC. How do we continue to provide multiple ways to access worship, group meetings, usage of the facilities, outreach to marginalized groups, and other issues? Group discussion followed. One common theme was that members missed in person conversations and gatherings. Also, how can we capture our shared experiences over the course of the pandemic? What have we learned and how have we changed?

Council members agreed to reach out to members of the church to touch base and will be making connections in the future.

The next council meeting will be on Monday, April 26, at 6:30 pm.

It was announced that after Palm Sunday services, there would be a Palm Drive-Through for members to get palm branches and offer personal care kits if they chose to participate.

Pastor Robin closed the meeting with a reflection and prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.