

Trinity United Church Leadership Team Minutes  
Wednesday, May 13, 2020  
Via Zoom

Present: Julie Baker, Beth Kerr, Donna Matthews (New Treasurer), Kim Guy, Cindy Curry, Anne Tidsbury (UCW), Stephanie Verhoeven, Alan Brown, Angela Mills, Diane Routledge, Denise Stairs  
Regrets: Lesia Case

Call to order: 7:02pm

Check-In facilitated by Cindy

Opening Prayer

Approval of Minutes

March – moved by Kim, Seconded by Denise. Carried.

April – moved by Kim, seconded by Alan. Carried.

For discussion:

- On-line worship technology requirements –

A. Quote received from Byte Me Computers for wi-fi booster for the sanctuary (includes installation & configuration) - \$300 plus taxes.

Motion: by Denise, seconded by Donna to approve spending on a wifi booster for the sanctuary with a cost of \$300, to be taken from the memorial fund. Carried.

B. Budget for improving live streaming/digital worship to include things like tripod, microphone enhancements, camera (?) for a time when gathering requirements allow enough persons in the sanctuary to allow for combined in-person and digital worship.

Motion: by Angela, seconded by Stephanie to approve up to \$2,000 from the Memorial Fund for technology spending improvements to stream functions. Carried.

- Pool Party date is July 16. Do we continue to plan for it? re: CO-VID and social distancing – It was agreed that the right decision was to cancel the pool party at this time.

- Summer worship plans

Kim shared that the M & P Committee had engaged in much discussion regarding summer plans. Their unanimous recommendation would be that we cancel worship from July 5<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>. Jacquie will take holidays from July 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup>, Don will have holidays at the same time, (back the 13<sup>th</sup>). Trinity will be closed while Jacquie is on holidays – she is back on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Kim will check to make sure someone will look after the building while Trinity is closed. Church will not be open or available for funerals while Julie is away.

Motion: by Alan, seconded by Stephanie, that Trinity cancel worship from July 5<sup>th</sup> to August 9<sup>th</sup> and to resume Aug 16<sup>th</sup> virtually for the remainder of August. Carried.

- Pastoral Care while Julie is on holidays: M & P will inquire with a few people to see if they would be willing to cover the emergencies.
- It was agreed that unless called differently by the chair, the next Leadership team meeting will be Wednesday, August 26 at 7pm.
- Baptism and confirmation plans – The leadership team heard and proposed an alternative plan for confirmation on Sunday June 7, assuming the allowable gathering size moves to 25 persons indoors. The service would take place in the sanctuary with social distancing in effect. Youth could bring their immediate families only and Julie, Robin (who co-led confirmation classes with Beth) and Beth would be present. All touch elements of the service would be done by members of the teen's own household and anything that is being touched will be sanitized in between households. Julie, Robin and Beth will lead the service from separate microphones. The rest of the church community would be encouraged to be present via Zoom to share in this event remotely.
- Beth's final Sunday is June 14 – How do we do farewell stuff given that we cannot have a big party? Some plans are already in the works. Julie, Jacquie and Kim will coordinate plans for us.  
Motion: by Donna, seconded by Angela, that the money for Beth's gift be taken from the UBF, at the discretion of M & P, in consultation with the Present and Past Chair persons. Carried.

#### Financial Report:

- Update from Prairie to Pine Weekly News (Emergency Funding for Congregations) NB: As of April 23, 2020, congregations are NOT eligible for CEBA.
- Signing Officers Motion for our Investing our Future Fund:  
Motion: by Denise, seconded by Kim, that the signing officers for Trinity United Church, Credential Asset Management, effective May 13, 2020 be: Donna Matthews, Treasurer, Greg Cochrane, Past Treasurer, Jacquie Bennet, Office Administrator Carried.
- Donna shared the details from the financial statements to the end of April. CO-VID 19 is impacting event, rental and funeral income severely, but we are pleased to note that donations have exceeded our expectations. United Church assessment will be deferred. Trinity qualifies for 10% government funding for wage subsidies.  
Motion by Donna, seconded by Denise, to adopt financial report as presented. Carried.

#### Membership Status Update:

##### Baptism & Confirmation

Approve for baptism and confirmation on June 7, 2020 (or as soon as reasonable thereafter)

Motion by Kim, seconded by Diane, to approve baptism of Isabella Rebecca Annalise Mills, and confirmation of Maxime David Chappellaz, Olivia Effie Elizabeth Krynski, Cadence Grace Matthews, Amelia Jane Rintoul. Carried.

Deaths

Adherents & Other:

Joyce Painter, April 27, 2020

Peggy Tidsbury, April 29, 2020

Closing Prayer was offered

Meeting Adjourned: 8:39pm

***Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 via Zoom***

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Cindy Curry, Chair

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