

Mountain View Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 23, 2021 • 1:00 p.m.

Congregational Meeting

MINUTES

Attendance

110 voting members of Mountain View Lutheran Church, via Zoom.

Call to order

President Carol Powers called the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Kim Latterell.

Announcements

- The cell tower project is moving forward once again, with legal review from both MVLC and Verizon.
- The MVLC Constitution Review Committee is currently meeting weekly to review and revise our congregation's Constitution.
- MVLC is entering into a temporary contract with Phil Edlund for the sole purpose of payroll, insurance and benefits administration, and financial bookkeeping during the transition to a bookkeeping vendor.
- We need help in the areas of facility rentals, technology liaison, purchasing, and documentation of annual inspections.
- The Safe Return Team continues to review and recommend compliance with COVID-19 protocols.

Financial update

Treasurer Jason Cornell spoke about the finances of the congregation, including the following highlights:

- The 2021 Spending Guideline, approved in January 2021 (\$938,665), is 12% lower than the 2020 Spending Guideline (\$1,067,920).
- Year-to-date giving, as of the end of April 2021, is \$16,631 less than expected.

- A loan of \$98,318 was granted through the Payroll Protection Program (PPP) in July 2020 and fully forgiven in March 2021.
- A subsequent PPP loan of \$116,203 was granted in March 2021 and MVLC will apply for full forgiveness in October 2021.
- Additional “Living Hope Capital Campaign” principal payments to further reduce our mortgage obligation leave our current mortgage at \$1,382,717, which is a reduction of \$122,567 since our January 2021 Congregational Meeting.

Overview of positions/groups

President Carol provided an overview of the mission and ministry of the various groups to which individuals are being elected—Mission Endowment Fund Committee, Nominating Committee, Church Council, and Call Committee.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken to ensure that those present for the meeting would be eligible to vote.

Election of Mission Endowment Fund Committee

Elected to the Mission Endowment Fund for three-year terms were Ed Egan, Beth Ann Johnson, and Karen Quandt.

Election of Nominating Committee

Elected to the 2021-2022 Nominating Committee for one-year terms were Sonja Dahl, Mary Beth Peterson, and Wendy Wadnizak.

Election of Church Council

Elected to the 2021-2022 Church Council for one-year terms were Karen Hansen, Skip Harrison, Gretchen Johnsrud, Bob Linden, Gerry Philipsen, Carol Powers, Ken Swanson, Emily Thompson, and Bob Yost.

Election of Call Committee

Elected to the Call Committee to call the next Lead Pastor of Mountain View Lutheran were Kevin Dahl, Jesie Holden, Megan Hutton, Dan Lysne, Connie McCrossin, Serena McHenry, and Becky Schaefer.

Call Committee work

Southwestern Washington Synod Bishop's Associate Rebecca Shjerven spoke about what the next weeks of work for the Call Committee will entail, including initial working parameters, review of Rostered Minister Profiles, interviewing candidates, and the like.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Bishop's Associate Rebecca Shjerven.

Respectfully submitted,
Troy Kehm-Goins, Recording Secretary