

Special council meeting

Nov. 17, 2020

Present: Carol Powers, Bob Linden, Dan Neptun , Karin Weberg, Gerry Philipsen, Pastor Briana Merkle, Emily Thompson, Mary Beth Peterson, Wendy Wadnizak, Jason Cornell, Sonja Dahl, Pastor Mike Greenwalt

Call to Order: Carol Powers @ 6:30

Opening Prayer: Pastor Mike

Return to Worship:

- * Pastor Mike gave report about minor changes to office hours to 9-1
- * Benefits of in person worship outweigh the risk in October.
- * new guidelines from WA State Governor
- * Recommend pause in person worship until Dec. 14. We will not gathering in person and making adjustments for Thanksgiving
- * Live stream and record worship services 10:45, Advent Services and Thanksgiving Eve
- * ask a volunteer to make an outdoor container to place monthly communion in zip lock bags
- * Honey Doers/Property will pause work until Dec. 14 to follow the Governor stay at home order
- * Covid community spread is increasing, especially in the Puyallup area

Spending Guideline 2021 Discussion

- *One year COVID/recovery budget
- * Consecration cards 50% return this year (normally 80%)
- * Recommend 13% Benevolences of received income
- * some items removed from budget (retreats, youth activities, Flathead) and will return to church to ask to pay for these items
- * Staffing is a large part of budget- must watch closely
- * If higher level of benevolences is important to a member then the council encourages the church members to take action by increasing their giving
- * After recovery of covid- we will need more fellowship and adjustments in budget
- * Pastor Bri recommends finding members to give testimonial at church on stewardship

Temple of Praise has paid \$720 for rental. Pastor Mike will send email Pastor Dan may worship through Nov. 30. No access to building in Dec. 1-14.

Moved/ 2nd/passed to recommend 2021SG: \$938,665 with 13% Benevolences

Living Hope Campaign

Sending \$200,000 to re-amortize

Surge to Support: 90 families donated money

Call Committee-

Kevin Dahl is willing to begin to ask for names for possible members but needs nominations from the church council

5 people per constitution

Plan to discuss at next council meeting

All call committees members must be nominated and voted on at special congregational meeting.

Ending Prayer by Pastor Bri