



**ONLINE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 29, 2020
MINUTES**

Members Present: Pastor Greg Sabetta, President, Judy Sachs, Ann James, Nicole Toft, Claire McCormack, Andy James, Recording Secretary, Brenda Zaczek

Absent: Curt Simonson, Vince Mosca **Others Present:** Jeanann Power, Pat McCormack, Barb Brogan, Alan Hommerding

1. Meeting called to order
2. Opening Prayer–Pastor Greg
3. Plan for re-opening
 - a. Most local churches are not planning to reopen until after Labor Day
 - b. Survey congregation to see who is comfortable with attendance and the safety guidelines
 - c. Need to consider sanitizing requirements and cost
 - d. UCC recommendation is not to return to worship at this time
4. Feedback from Council
 - a. Concern was expressed that if we delay meeting in person we will lose members for good
 - b. There is concern that we are losing touch with each other by not meeting in person
 - c. We will poll our congregation to make sure we have enough people to meet as a group before making a decision
 - d. We should continue to record the service and put it online
 - e. How can we stay connected?
 - i. Using outdoor space for fellowship
 - ii. Possibility for outdoor worship
 - f. Technology consideration
 - i. Need to explore how to stream the live service or record it and post it later
 - g. Cleaning crew
 - i. Under contract and have been deep cleaning the church
 - ii. Sanitizing would be an additional charge
 - iii. Is there a need for sanitizing because the virus degrades fairly quickly?
 - iv. Can we take turns cleaning after we meet?
 - h. Council is on board with the safety guidelines

- i. Book Club
 - i. Since it is just two days away, we can continue with Zoom this month
 - ii. We can meet outside the church in person in August
 - j. Council plans to have a short meeting after the results from the poll are in
5. Closing prayer