

FAITH CRC COUNCIL NOTES

Below are the notes from the June 22 and August 17 Council Meetings:

- Council received a presentation from Corey Van Dyk about his experiences as a young adult representative to our denomination's annual leadership gathering of pastors and elders in June.
- Dr. Schuringa reported on a study week he took this summer, focused especially on upcoming sermons and sermon series. He also expressed his appreciation for the times of refreshment and renewal offered by Council and the members of Faith.
- Church Property reported that the church parking lot is scheduled to be repaved the week of August 24 and new automatic doors have been installed in the north entrance.
- Property Planning reported on its efforts to assess updating and renovation needs for the church, and shared the idea of a future capital campaign fund to meet those needs.
- Council approved new committee members for a number of church committees in order to support current existing ministries and inspire new initiatives.
- Council received various committee reports about their plans for the upcoming Fall Church year.
- Council approved by motion a change to the church's Bylaws stating clearly Faith CRC's position that marriage is a covenant relationship established between one man and one woman united by God.
- Technology Committee reported that Faith recently received a weekly timeslot on the Elmhurst Public Access cable station from 7:30-8:30 on Sundays evenings. The hour will be used to broadcast our worship services.
- Council tasked the Staff Relations Committee with finding interim leadership for our Middle and High School youth groups so that these ministries continue without interruption. Staff Relations will also begin looking ahead to more permanent leadership for these ministries. Any recommendations or ideas from members of the congregation are welcome.
- Council observed Mutual Censure as preparation for Communion today, discussing especially aspects of church life that fall under the "Experience God's Word" portion of our Mission Statement: preaching, worship, and teaching ministries at Faith.