

Pastor Denise Westfall
"The Little Grey Church by the Sea . . ."



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Ocean Park United Methodist Church

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Church Council meeting via Zoom, August 21, 2020
Council members attending:
Pastor Denise Westfall
Sturges Dorrance
Kathy Olson
Ken Olson
Cat Shaver
Larry Shaver
Mike Neuschwander
Janet Askew

Pastor Denise called the meeting to order via Zoom at 9:10 with reading of prayers.

Parsonage Information:

Pastor Denise recently discussed the possible sale of the parsonage with Kathleen Weber, District Superintendent. She requested a meeting with the Council over Zoom to go over questions that she has about the future of OPUMC. The council has determined that the parsonage would need added maintenance if it were to be used as a residence again. The present church building will need extensive maintenance and remodeling sometime, also. Larry and Sturges will meet with a local realtor to discuss options on listing the parsonage property prior to a Zoom meeting with Kathleen on Sept. 2. They will report back to the council via Pastor Denise. A zoom meeting time will be determined later.

Opening buildings:

Kathleen Weber also let Denise know that the church council can apply for a reduction in our apportionment payment during this time. This may be needed as the church building is closed. Kathleen also let us know that the Bishop is not planning on allowing churches to open anytime soon.

Finances:

Cat presented a financial report from QuickBooks. The Church building is only operating with the very basic needs. The bills are paid at this time, but revenue per month is a lot less during the closure of the church building. In our small retirement community our financial support was not at a high level prior to the pandemic.

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The meeting was closed by Pastor Denise with prayer at about 10:10. A zoom meeting will be scheduled by Denise prior to Sept. 2.

Minutes submitted by Janet Askew, Council Secretary.