

## **Church Council Minutes Monday, April 23, 2018**

Members present: Pastor David Parker, Bob Wallin, Susan Schopf, Joyce Atkinson, Linda Jury, Stina Queeno, Erin Tombaugh, Julie Palmer, Marti Russell, Marali Woessner

Members absent: Lanida Brophy, Cameron Cecka, Jun Sapida, Jerry Grunwald, and Jim Slowik.

Non-Members present: Ann Oldham and Sandy Shields (representing Finance)

Bob Wallin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Pastor David opened with devotions from *Streams in the Desert* referencing Psalm 37:1, followed by prayer.

The minutes of the council meeting held March 26, 2018, were approved as presented.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- We have another drawing for construction/expansion of the front ramp area. Bob will take it to city hall for preliminary approval before bringing it to the Council.

### **PASTOR'S REPORT/CALENDAR**

- A copy of the Update from Pastor David Parker dated April 23, 2018, is attached, **Attachment 1**. He reviewed several of his current activities and actions, including the first meeting of the contemporary service and a Family Game Night. Pastor said there are eight people planning on attending the "Table Talk" event in Edmonds Saturday. He reminded us of the upcoming National Day of Prayer on May 3. He also spoke about his focus on working with/meeting service people on base. Other ongoing and future activities were noted.

### **MEMBER REPORTS AND BUSINESS**

#### **Finance—Ann Oldham**

- Ann said the new safe is installed in the Pastor's office closet. It is anchored to the floor. There is a slot in it to deposit money, i.e. from fundraisers and such. This safe allows counting to happen on other than Sunday mornings, when desired. "Fund-raised" monies can be placed there, also, until it is deposited. Lead/counters will not have access to the safe.
- The church received a large donation from the Alice Jensen memorial. In addition, income from offering and tithes were up in April, which may include annually or quarterly tithed funds.

#### **Lay Leader—Susan Schopf**

- Susan will be attending the "Table Talks" in Edmonds on Saturday.

#### **Worship Support Team – Joyce Atkinson**

- The team discussed how Easter arrangements could be made smoother for next year.
- The shades have been ordered, and should arrive in a few weeks.
- The team approved the purchase of a "sit-on drum," or Cajon. It will primarily be used in the Contemporary service. Part of the purchase was privately donated.

#### **Music Ministry – Stina Queeno**

- There was some discussion on the Easter cantata, and whether to realign the timing. Comments from some of the council members indicated it was a good Easter service; no changes needed. Contemporary service plans are on-going.

- Children's choirs are working on bells and chimes.
- A group from Epworth, Idaho, will be here June 14 to present a music program. Lodging and food for the group are being planned. Two more hosts for overnight guests are still needed.
- Friday's "Simply Jesus" (contemporary) service went well. It was a good "practice," as there were just two people from outside the church; the others participating were church members. The expectation is numbers will grow.

#### **Youth/Family Ministries—Erin Tombaugh**

- The **Nursery** ministry continues. Erin and Stina have discussed making some sort of childcare available for the Friday night service.
- **Children and Families**—the Family Game Night was well-attended, with some people bringing friends. A movie night is being discussed. Teacher Appreciation Sunday will be May 20.
- **VBS** is being planned. Nicole Rogers will be assisting Erin this year. A leader planning meeting will be held Monday April 30.
- A movie night will be held May 12. There will be one movie for "the guys," and one for "the girls."
- **Convo** is coming; some youth have already submitted registration forms.
- Erin will eventually be asking for "Partners in Mission" to form relationships with the youth/adults.
- The **young adults group** is currently engaged in the Andy Stanley study. Discussion is happening about ways to bring the young adults and the congregation closer together; hosting a summer picnic may be one of those ways.
- Some children and youth are interested in attending summer camp this year.

#### **Mission Outreach —Julie Palmer**

- The team met to prepare the jars for Jamaa Letu orphanage. They will be "introduced" this coming Sunday (April 29).
- Funds will be raised for The Haven.
- The team will be involved in helping feed and nurture the Epworth group when they come in June.
- Mission Outreach is planning on having speakers during the Lenten soup suppers next year. The speakers could be from local organizations or from outside the area. They would speak about their organization; funds raised that night would be donated to the presenting organization.

#### **Membership and Evangelism—no members present (still looking for new members)**

#### **Staff Pastor Parish Relations – Linda Jury**

- The new job description for a Church Bookkeeper was handed out. (Attachment 2)
- Linda Jury moved the job description be approved; the motion was seconded. Discussion followed, with further explanation by Ann Oldham. The motion was approved.
- Linda said SPR is working on the Safe Sanctuary policy; she asked questions of some council members.

#### **Trustees – Marti Russell**

- The Trustees will meet on May 23.
- The logo and design for the new van was discussed. Different ideas and designs are being looked at. A decision will be made shortly, and the van will be "decorated" appropriately.
- The trustees are looking at revising the policy for driving and using the van.
- The church bus has been inspected and repaired; spark plugs were the main expense.
- A new landscaping firm has been hired to do some maintenance and upkeep on the church grounds.
- The committee is discussing revising (part of) our lock and key system.
- Trustees are considering raising building use fees next year. They will check with other churches to find out what they do/charge.

- The trustees and Erin are discussing changes and options for the tenant/church Scott house agreement.
- Bob suggested the trustees have someone come and look at the stained glass in the narthex; it is showing wear and the leading is in need of repair.

**UMW – Marali Woessner**

- The UMW dispersed funds from last year that were in the treasury.
- The UMW Baked Potato Lunch celebrating Mother’s Day and Father’s Day will be June 3.
- A garage sale is planned for later this spring/early summer.

**Conference Representative—Susan Schopf**

- No report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- None

Bob closed the meeting with prayer at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Atkinson  
Recording Secretary pro tem (for Margaret Mordhorst)

Attachment 1: Pastor’s Activity Report dated February 26, 2018

Attachment 2: Position Description for Church Bookkeeper