

## **Parish Council Minutes – June 21, 2021**

Moderator Bruce Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. In attendance on Zoom: Bruce Weaver, Rev. Nancy Rottman, Chuck Cotting, Debbie Cotting, Katherine Decker, Jill DiGiorgio, Linda Ladd, Jeff Law, Jim Marshall, Annmarie Pendola and Larainne Wilson. Jim offered the meditation. Minutes from 5/24/2021 were approved with unanimous consent.

**Pastor Report:** Rev. Nancy Rottman provided updates on the state of the church. Worship will take place in the Chapel until the Sanctuary is all set. Guest Pastor, Rev Korte Yeo preached on June 20 and will fill in again on June 27 and July 11. Larainne will be leading worship on July 18. We will be looking at guidance surrounding singing to see how to proceed with hymn singing over the summer. Susan's Celebration on June 13 was a success. Her last day is July 2. Over the summer we will work on posting and filling the position of Church Administrator.

**Financial Reports:** Treasurer Jeff Law provided Council with an update regarding the church's financial situation.

**Education:** Larainne provided an update on Church School and Faith Formation activities. Summer Church School will start on July 11. We will use Illustrated Ministries Compassion Camp materials for July and August. Faith Formation is looking for volunteers for a couple of Sundays. Core components include gathering & music, bible story, create & play, movement, compassion in ACTION and Sending and music. The Young Families summer event will be a picnic at the park in August.

**Outreach:** Linda Ladd reported on the activities of the Mission and Outreach Team. There are some Equal Exchange Fair Trade products available. Matching funds in June include donations to La Colaborative, My Brother's Table and Citizens Inn. Following a donation to Heifer, we will be receiving another ark and will have to decide on a new ark design. The Green Team web page continues to be developed.

**Diaconate:** Annmarie Pendola reported that the Deacons continue to assist with contacting church members who are on the Congregation Care List with phone calls or cards. We had a celebration for Susan on Sunday, June 13 in honor of her 36 years of service at Centre Church. On Sunday, June 20 we had a guest preacher, Rev Korte Yeo. New Paraments have been ordered for the Sanctuary. The Deacons met on June 3 to discuss personal updates, Congregational care concerns, preparations for services and the Summer Service Schedule. The next meeting will be August 4.

**Stewardship:** Debbie Cotting reported that we have received 54 pledges as of June 21. Debbie and Nancy will review the outstanding pledges.

**Finance:** Chuck Cotting reported that Metro Swift came in to repair a sprinkler system leak in Room 10. We have had several building use requests, including for the Eagle Scout Court of Honor, the Lynnfield Historical Society, and a crafts day. Chuck also provided an update on repairs from flood.

### **Old/New Business:**

The Thomson Country Club Golf outing is Monday, June 28, starting at 1pm. There was a brief discussion about having a Flea Market fundraiser sometime this fall.

There being no further business, Council voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Decker, Recording Secretary

**Next Meeting: Monday, August 16 @ 7pm**

**Meditation – Annmarie Pendola**