

St. John's Bennington Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 after worship

Present: Brenda Clark, Jim Fettkether, Jeff Seamans, Drew Speer, Joe Stafford, Kayla Stafford, Willie Wolfe

Absent: Pastor Blank, Denise Pierce, Brandy Zuck

Meeting Called to Order by Drew

1. Financial Report

a. Financial Secretary Report by Brenda

- i. **General funds given (March):** \$4,895.10
- ii. **General funds given (April):** \$12,936.25
- iii. **General funds given (May):** \$2,985.00
- iv. **General funds given (June thus far):** \$4,135.00

2. President's Report by Drew

a. Pandemic: How to move forward

- i. Have not had service since Sunday, March 15th
- ii. Trinity is reassessing in July
- iii. Pastor does not want to open at this time and does not have a timeline
- iv. Other churches moving forward:
 1. Online options
 2. Outdoor service
 3. Zoom/house service
 4. Service as normal
 5. No service
- v. Council members have received calls from members about wanting to reopen
- vi. Jeff and Bobbi will work on surveying congregation members further
- vii. Open to allowing other gatherings to reserve/utilize the church from this point on
- viii. Ideas for moving forward: Open offering plates/no passing, safe communion standards, no shaking hands, hand sanitizer available, etc.
- ix. Council would like to open by July 12th
- x. Joe motioned to reopen on July 12th with the caveat that we will meet on Sunday, June 28th at 10:15am to reevaluate the current situation
 1. Approved by Jim, second by Jeff

3. Announcements

Next council meeting will be Sunday, June 28th

Motion made to adjourn by Joe, Willie

All stood and said The Lord's Prayer