

## **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

Church Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, April 14, 2020 – 7 PM via On-Line Zoom

### **Call Meeting to Order**

The regular meeting of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (GSLC) Council was called to order via Zoom at 7:12 PM on April 14, 2020, by Kristi Buchholz.

**Present:** Pastor Jeremy Serrano, Candace Bradley, Mike Henry, Sue Hertless, Nancy Judge, John Mott, Laura Mott, Renee Reis

**Absent:** Jay Neyenhouse, Tony Roglestad

### **DEVOTIONS AND OPENING PRAYER - Pastor Jeremy**

#### **RECOGNITIONS**

- Sue Hertless recognized and gave special thanks to Pastor Jeremy Serrano, Pastor Joshua Serrano, Pastor John Keener, and Pastor Erika Skemer for the delivery of a very meaningful sermon of “What does Easter mean to me?”
- Pastor Jeremy recognized and thanks Kathy Reis for continuing to water our church campus plants.
- Pastor Jeremy recognized and thanks Renee Reis, Sue Hertless, Tracy Rentner, and Rosie Glen for graciously allowing him to interview them for our church’s group page.
- Mike Henry recognized and thanks all the FFF volunteers who continue to provide their time and effort during the shelter-in-place order.
- Laura Mott recognized and thanks our congregation who continues to support our church ministries, both financially and emotionally, during the Covid-19 journey.
- Laura Mott recognized and thanks Sue Hertless for taking Laura’s telephone call the Saturday night before Easter to speak for her as a check signer to the Bank of America Fraud Department, when the first fraud incident was discovered. Also, going to the Bank of America to fact-find in person, when Laura could not get answers from *many* departments on the phone regarding a new account number.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Rosemary Fassl sent a thank-you card to Pastor Jeremy, Laura, and Council to thank them for having the courage to close the church even before it was mandated to do so.
- Mt. Cross Ministries sent a thank-you letter for our \$300 donation.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION** made by Sue Hertless to accept the March 10, 2020 Council Minutes, as written; Mike Henry seconded – motion passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Facility use requests** - None

### **Pastor's Report**

- Discussed the Coronavirus (Covid-19) outbreak, and Pastor Jeremy asked if Council thought he is doing enough to keep the congregation connected, with preparation of his videos of worship services; making individual telephone calls to parishioners; personal interviews of parishioners; combined services with the two other churches, etc.
- Discussion of "The Cares Act," which is essentially a government loan for small businesses during the Covid-19 pandemic.

**MOTION** by Pastor Jeremy: Therefore, be it resolved the Church Council authorizes President Kristi Buchholz and/or Vice President John Mott and/or Treasurer Laura Mott and/or Pastor Jeremy Serrano to sign loan documents on behalf of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, for the purpose of procuring a federally-backed loan in the **CARES Acts/Payroll Protection Program**. The sum requested shall be in an amount equal to 2.5 times the allowable monthly payroll costs, and utilities, of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church; seconded by Laura Mott; discussion - motion passed. Laura to prepare PPP loan application and sign, and Kristi to sign final funding documents.

- Synod Assembly is on hold for now.

### **Committee Reports**

*Please see the individual committee reports. Some additional discussion occurred on the following topics:*

#### **Finance – Laura Mott**

Laura explained that bank fraud was found on our checking account, so the account was frozen and now the bank has to open a new checking account.

**MOTION** made by Laura Mott for Candace Bradley, Greg Buchholz, Sue Hertless, and Gordon Monroe to be approved as the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church check signers; seconded by Renee Reis - motion passed.

**MOTION** made by Laura Mott that two signatures be required for each check; seconded by Sue Hertless - motion passed.

### **Evangelism – Sue Hertless**

- The Evangelism team decided to send \$1,000 a month for the next three months to Bishop Medardo. This money is to help with the pain and suffering of the people, and to help with Resurrection's ministries.
- Bishop Medardo's visit is tentatively planned for August.

### **Social Ministry – Mike Henry**

There had been a tent set up in the church parking area, but it is gone now – Pastor is keeping a close eye on our campus.

### **Youth – Renee Reis**

Renee had a meeting with Sierra Pacific Synod to gather information and get an idea of a budget for a youth gathering next year.

### **Adjournment**

**MOTION** made by John Mott to adjourn; Nancy Judge seconded – motion passed, and meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Date of next regular Council meeting – May 12, 2020, 7 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Candace Bradley, Council Secretary  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church