Zion UCC Consistory Meeting Minutes 2.08.2022

Consistory Call to Order at 7:03 pm by Tim Schlegel

Members present: Pastor Elizabeth, Trustee: Ted Camp, Elena Camp, Troy Hengst, Debby Williams, Edie Bauer, Tim Schlegel, Sarah Hanley-Cousins and Barbara Miller.

Excused: Peter Korte, Jeff Quinton

Devotion and Lord's Prayer: Pastor Elizabeth led us in the devotion and the Lord's Prayer.

Reviewal of Covid Policy was reviewed with final decision to stay the course with what we are doing and review again next month

Approval Of Consistory Meeting Minutes - motioned for approval by Barb M and seconded by Troy H.

Treasurer's Report (Ron Janiszewski)

- 1. As of 2/3/2022 there is a balance of \$47,792.53 in the operating account and \$27,516.78 in the restricted funds account.
- 2. The revenue for December was \$14,204.02 and the net income was \$1,774.89. The YTD revenue is \$14,204.02 and the YTD net income is \$1,774.89.
- Congregational support as well as the efforts of our fundraising committee has started 2022 off on solid footing. We have continued to maintain the same outlook that was adopted in March 2019 and have continued to remain in good standing and navigate our way through the pandemic. If we continue to steer this course 2022 should be another successful year.

Report was motioned for approval by Debby W. and seconded by Troy H.

Trustee's Report: (Ted C.)

- 1. Cleaned up projects from 2021, bills are current.
- 2. 2022 plans are for exterior lighting and a security system
- 3. Will be working on plans for total reconstruction of the parking lot scheduled for 2023

Pastor's report- (Pastor Elizabeth)

- 1. She has resumed visitations to the nursing homes that will allow it (not all are open to visits).
- 2. Kalee has officially begun her student ministry. They worked on her goals for her class. She will be assisting Pastor in leading worship (at different capacities each week) and officiating: communion, funerals, and baptisms. She will work with the Pastoral Care team and will begin some level of counseling with those who are interested (particularly grief counseling). Kalee will also preach twice this semester. They will both be while Pastor is away (she will view virtually): April 24th (vacation), May 29th (Pastor's brother's wedding).
- 3. Youth Group resumes next week. We're taking the kids bowling (Nativity & Zion youth).
- 4. Ash Wednesday is March 2nd. Worship will be at 7pm. Will have drive through ashes as well.
- 5. Pastor will be creating a Lenten Bible Study for the evenings during Lent. Info TBD.
 - a. Let's Talk Race session 1 was last night. We watched the film White Savior: Racism in the American Church. It is an extremely well-done film, and we will show it in the spring here at church. It's also available on Amazon video (free for prime members, \$3.99 for

others to rent) if anyone would like to view it on their own. We will be a "hub" for Session 2 starting next month. Registration is still open to anyone interested in these discussions.

6. In person attendance is averaging at about 60 for 9am and low 30s for 11am. Below are some of the video stats from Facebook:

- a. 2/6 views on Facebook for longer than a minute: 64 + 38
- b. 1/30 views of Facebook for longer than a minute 24 + 22
- c. 1/23 views of Facebook for longer than a minute 29 + 34

7. Jane Turner's birthday is coming up (she will be 96 years young). There will be a card for the congregation to sign.

Committee Reports:

Administration-no report

PPRC- (Jeff) -no report

Christian Education & Missions- (Edie)- Sunday school attendance is down. Hopefully will pick up soon. Classes are making Valentine cards for the VA patients and Sue House will get them to the hospital.

Church Life & Community Dinners- (Troy)- last community dinner served 150-160 people: working on menu for the end of this month

Memorials-(Laurie M.) - has \$4,863.40 presently in their budget

Community Assistance Ministry- (Peter)- no report

Health Ministry- (Debby)- classes scheduled are as follows:

All are FREE unless specified. Signup sheets will be placed on this board for sign up so the speakers will have a count.

1. March 5 Saturday 9am-11am

Erie County Health Department presents a class on drug use in Erie County and how we can help. This is a topic that can affect any family. There will also be NARCAN training in an emergency ---FREE

- April 23 Saturday 10 am-11:00 am Karl Shallowhorn of Shallowhorn Consulting will be presenting: How to deal with anxiety, stress, depression and feeling isolated during this COVID Pandemic-FREE
- 3. May 7 Saturday 9 am- noon Town Paramedics: Stop the Bleed/CPR Training- FREE unless you want to be certified in CPR (that is \$25.00 for 2-year certification which you pay that morning)
- 4. June 4 Saturday 10-11am Ida Shapiro will be presenting a class about Behavior Modification when it comes to diet, weight loss, keeping fit, and eating healthy food. She has over 50 years of experience in speaking about this important health issue. And she has lots of coupons to give away for FREE food! --FREE

5. Saturdays 11 am- noon in Kuck Hall - February 26, March 26 and April 30.

A monthly class taught be a certified instructor. Dawn will be teaching a class that is yoga based but very beginner type class with modifications for anyone that cannot get up and down from the floor-Please bring a yoga mat or a beach towel if you can exercise on the floor (can use the chairs if not She asks that everybody bring a hand towel for stretches. She will modify the exercises for people as needed.

Environmental Ministry- (Barb, Jeff)- no report

Pastoral Care Ministry Team- (Troy)- no report

Food Pantry-(Jeff)- no report

Altar Guild- (Debby W.)- got some new members and Sue House had a training class with them. They have also been starting to organize the cabinets in the Sacristy Room

New Member- (Ted)- no report

Old Business: Nominees for Consistory: (William) George Darrall, Mark Burr, Robin Fowler.

New Business: Doug King's term on our Association's Committee on Ministry ended. Ron Janiszewski is now serving on the Committee on Ministry. Debbie Grine is now serving on the NY Conference Personnel Committee.

Closing: At 7:45 pm. A motion was made to adjourn by Barb M. and seconded by Debby W. Motion was approved by all

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday March 08 at 7 pm

A big thank you to Tim Schlegel for his service to this church as outgoing Consistory President.