

UPG Parish & St. John's Windish Lutheran Church
Joint Council Meeting
ZOOM conference

Bethlehem, PA
April 20, 2021

Members present: Matthew Bleier, Donna Musselman, Bonnie Harper, Nancy Kostas, Rich Hawk, Ron Dalla Piazza, Lou Dravec, Jon Terry, Gina Brockway, Mike Truchan, Lois Ritchie, Maria Skrilec, Tracy Heberling, Kathy Remaly, Ron Leposa, Michel Lloyd, Linda Maule, Teryan Gerhard, Pam Royal, Penny Weiss, Cindy Kemp, Sandy Butch, Tom Seifert			
Members excused: Migdalia DeJesus			
Members absent: Keith Young, Donna Makaravitz, , Buzz Heidecker, Sandy Vajda, Harmony Gubich, James Ritchie			
Staff members/guests present: Joe Bleier, Rosalie Adduci, Catherine Ziel, Josh Gulotta, Traci Haas, Tina Piscitello, Patrick Nolan, Lynn Terry			
Topic	Discussion	Action	Resolution
<i>Call to Order</i>		@ 1909 by Gina Brockway (presider), Nancy Kostas, & Rich Hawk	
<i>Opening Prayer</i>		Offered by Pastor Suzanne	
<i>Approval of Agenda</i>		Motion to approve made by: Donna Musselman 2 nd by: Michel Lloyd	Approved unanimously
<i>Approval of Minutes March 04, 2021</i>	March minutes not distributed prior to this meeting	Will be distributed & approved at the May meeting	
<i>Treasurer's Updates</i>	LOC as submitted by Catherine Ziel St. Peter's as submitted by Joe Bleier St. John's Windish as reported by Maria Skrilec	Motion to approve submitted reports for the UPG & St. John's Windish made by: Teryan Gerhard 2 nd by: Donna Musselman	Approved unanimously
<i>Synod Delegates from the 3 Congregations Mission District Assembly, May 01, 2021 from 0900-1200 Online Synod Assembly, June 4 & 5, 2021(Registration needed by May 17, 2021)</i>	St. Peter's volunteer: Lois Ritchie LOC volunteer: Sandy Butch St. John's: LOC volunteer: Sandy Butch	Pastor Suzanne will attempt to get more definitive information on times for this meeting Each campus will be responsible for their own registrations	
<i>Staff Concerns</i>	None at this time		

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<i>Update on Live-Stream Equipment</i>	Wiring complete to balcony at St. Peter's Cameras need to be connected yet	Planning a work party to complete	Informational
<i>Update on Transition Task Force Team</i>	No update	Tony Villani to plan a date to reconvene	Informational
<i>Old Business</i>			
<i>Return to In Person Worship</i>	UPG & St. John's staff recommend opening buildings for services & church groups to use the buildings beginning the 1 st Sunday in May Much discussion surrounding logistics of service & Sunday school times	Motion made to have live streaming service on Saturday, one (1) worship service @ 1100 on Sunday, & Sunday school @ 0930 by: Mike Truchan 2 nd by: Sandy Butch	Approved unanimously
<i>Use of Buildings by Congregational & Outside Groups</i>	UPG & St. John's staff recommended that congregational meetings, following the same guidelines as for worship services, be permitted & that outside groups not be permitted for at least a month pending COVID environment	Motion by: UPG staff 2 nd : Tracy Heberling Motion made to permit the confirmation class to gather indoors this coming Sunday, April 25, 2021 by: Sandy Butch 2 nd by: Bonnie Harper	Approved unanimously Approved unanimously
<i>Update on Bear Creek Sponsorships</i>	Councils approved via email vote		Informational
<i>New Business</i>	ALL NEW BUSINESS HELD UNTIL THE MAY MEETING		

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	DUE TO THE LENGTH OF THE ABOVE DISCUSSIONS & LATENESS OF HOUR		
<i>Growing Young Book Club Requests</i>	Suggestion made to use term "ministers" rather than volunteers		
<i>Ministry Fair</i>	Suggestion made to hold a fair to help educate about all of the ministries of the UPG & St. John's Windish		
<i>Altar Care Videos</i>	Suggestion made to produce videos on altar care to help others learn what is involved & garner more assistance in this ministry		
<i>Adjournment & Lord's Prayer</i>	@ 2119	Motion by: Kathy Remaly 2 nd by: Penny Weiss	Approved unanimously
Next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 @ 1900 – site TBA			

Respectfully submitted,
 Donna Musselman, St. Peter's Congregational & UPG Council Secretary