

**UPG Parish & St. John's Windish Lutheran Church  
 Joint Council Meeting  
 St. John's Windish Campus**

**Bethlehem, PA  
 August 17, 2021**

<b>Members Present:</b> Matt Bleier, Gina Brockway, Sandra Butch, Ron Dalla Piazza, Susan DeAngelis, Migdalia DeJesus, Teryan Gerhard, Steve Granlund, Harmony Gubich, Bonnie Harper, Rich Hawk, David Kolman, Nancy Kostas, Ron Leposa, Sharon Lintner, Michel Lloyd, Donna Musselman, Tina Piscitello, Kenda Riley, Tom Sarver, Tom Seifert, Maria Skrilec, Jon Terry, Linda Toltesi, Mike Truchan			
Members Excused: Lou Dravec, Tracy Heberling, Donna Mackaravitz			
Members Absent: Buzz Heidecker, Cindy Kemp, Kathy Remaly, James Ritchie, Lois Ritchie, Sandy Vajda			
Guests: Jimmy Bleier, Tracy Haas			
<b>Clergy/Staff members/Guests present:</b> Pastor Suzanne Trump, Pastor Mike Button, Joe Bleier, Linda Maule, Susan Vitez, Catherine Ziel			
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Resolution</b>
<i>Call to Order</i>		@ 1900 by Tom Seifert (presider), Sharon Lintner, & Rich Hawk	
<i>Opening Prayer</i>		Offered by Pastor Mike	
<i>Approval of Agenda</i>		Motion to approve made by: Donna Musselman 2 <sup>nd</sup> by: Teryan Gerhard	Approved unanimously
<i>Approval of Minutes June 15, 2021</i>	Minutes not distributed	June minutes will be distributed with the August minutes	
<i>Treasurer's Updates</i>	LOC as submitted & reported by Catherine Ziel St. Peter's as submitted & reported by Joe Bleier St. John's Windish as submitted & reported by Maria Skrilec	Motion to approve submitted reports for the UPG & St. John's Windish made by: Sandy Butch 2 <sup>nd</sup> by: Gina Brockway	Approved unanimously
<i>Staff Concerns</i>			
<i>Update on Staff Positions</i>	3 resumes have been chosen to move forward to interviews to replace Kelly's position 2-3 UPG members have expressed interest in Kenda's position	Goal is to schedule & finish interviews for Kelly's position in the next 1-2 weeks	Informational
<i>Update on Live-Stream Equipment</i>	Target go live date is August 21, 2021 Equipment requires a minimum of 2 people to run; equipment is much		Informational

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<b><i>Update on Transition Task Force Team</i></b>	Committee continues to move forward Concern expressed over length of process	3 town hall meeting have been completed	Informational
<b><i>Committee Reports</i></b>			
<b><i>LOC</i></b>	AC repair occurred which prevented need to have it replaced		Informational
<b><i>St. Peter's</i></b>	None		
<b><i>St. John's</i></b>	Boiler needs to be replaced		Informational
<b><i>Joint GWOH &amp; Stewards &amp; Angels in Ministry</i></b>	Sept 12 will be GWOH day; multiple service opportunities will be available that day; worship celebration will be 1030 at the Synod Center; light luncheon will be served; mission district will be invited	Watch church publications for more detailed information	Informational
<b><i>Old Business</i></b>			
<b><i>Fall Worship Locations</i></b>	Recommendation made by the Worship & Music Committee includes: Fall worship schedule to run Sept. 18, 2021 through the end of the year Saturday evening worship & livestream @ St. Peter's campus Sunday 0800 worship @ St. John's Sunday 1030 worship @ LOC Sunday School will be held @ LOC campus 0915-1015 with worship to follow so families can worship together Extensive discussion occurred on the above recommendation	Motion to adopt this worship schedule made by: the Worship & Music Committee	No vote taken on this motion due to an alternate motion that was offered

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	At the conclusion of the discussion an alternate motion was made	Motion made to continue the live stream service from the St. Peter's campus where the permanent equipment has been installed; to maintain the 1645 Saturday worship service; to maintain the Sunday worship service times @ 0800 & 1030; to hold Sunday School @ 0915; & to rotate campuses for these services on a monthly basis beginning in October 2021 & re-evaluating after three (3) months by: Matthew Bleier 2 <sup>nd</sup> by: Gina Brockway Suggestion made to track attendance @ the above service times to help determine changes to location & times in the future	Motion approved with 24 aye votes & 2 nay votes
<i>COVID-19 Mask Update</i>	COVID-19 positive infection rate continues to rise dramatically; at this time it is recommended that face masks continue to be worn at all functions in UPG & SJW buildings		Informational
<i>New Business</i>			
<i>Installation of Council Members</i>	Council president's recommended that all campus council members be installed on Sept. 12, 2021 during worship @ the Lutheran Center	Motion to same made by: Council presidents 2 <sup>nd</sup> not required	Approved unanimously
<i>Adjournment &amp; Lord's Prayer</i>	@ 2012	Motion by: Sandy Butch 2 <sup>nd</sup> by: Teryan Gerhard	Approved unanimously
Next two (2) council meetings will be held on <b>Tuesday, September 21, 2021 @ 1900</b> – fellowship hall @ St. Peter's with Rich Hawk presiding			

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**October 19, 2021 @ 1900** – fellowship hall @ LOC with Sharon Lintner  
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Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Musselman, St. Peter's Congregational & UPG Council Secretary