

# Hillsboro United Methodist Church

## Church Council Meeting

**June 17, 2020**

Members Present: Robert Henley, Rev. Kent Bailey, Susan McKelvey, Alex Dunavant, Bill Myers, Jim Bramblett, Bill Guffey, Hope Guffey, Mandy Smith, Emily Turner, Linda Willis, John Dimitri, Deanna Lawson, Jamie Weaver, Ray Weaver, Elaine Weaver, Ashley Weaver, Bobbie Jones, Linda Grose.

Meeting called to order 6:00pm. Deanna Lawson opened with prayer. Pastor Kent offered a prayer and devotion from Psalms.

There was a time of reporting prayer requests and updates.

Minutes were emailed in advance to all members and were approved. Motion to approve by John Dimitri, second by Linda Willis. Motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The current status was reviewed. Beginning balance on January 1, 2020 was \$60,734.29. Including offerings, = \$76,052.83. as of May 31, 2020. Apportionments are paid for the year. Missions checks not written yet, and giving is up despite not meeting for service since March. Funds received ACH transactions and credit card transactions = \$1913.82, less service charge and fees, = \$146.38. (There is a flat rate of \$10.00 a month without any transactions.) Note from Treasurer to all; re: purchases, please designate for reimbursement, where funds should go. Ben Lomand to use the church for election on July 25th. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Deanna Lawson, second Jim Bramblett. Motion passed.

**Kent Bailey:** Asked for prayer for Pastors moving. Annual Conference to be September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at Brentwood Methodist Church. Appreciates those who help clean, record, count, and all helpers.

**Deanna Lawson:** Was glad to announce the Pastor will be with us another year. Kelly Smith ordered new outdoor security lights. The downstairs has flooded during a heavy rain. Reports many are liking the early service. Would like to have just one service. Our Covid 19 distancing method has been going well. Suggests a sign-in sheet for services for tracking purposes in case there is anyone who contracts the virus. Suggests 80-90 in one service and still social distance. Meal delivery and CD ministry is on hold.

**Jim Bramblett:** His sister passed away, and he may want to have her memorial service here in September. He thanked all for support.

**Elaine Weaver:** Standing in for Donette Porter for UMW. Donette is in pain, and in the hospital out of town. There will be a meeting on July 8<sup>th</sup> for the Farm Bureau. They will be served a box lunch. Mobile Pantry donates to the Little Pantry here and they hope to begin backpacks again.

**Linda Willis:** Reports good financial support from the church thus far. Through the end of May our weekly offering has averaged \$3,291.08 per week with a budget needed of \$3,026.83. Has been making regular deposits. Suggested the one service be at 10:00 am as opposed to 9:45am.

**Bill Myers:** No Sunday school until at least July. Says not much demand for it. May look at it again in a month. Asked for input in the newsletter.

**Mandy Smith:** We should begin to seek a replacement for Mandy as she needs to step down from youth leadership at this time. For Missions, motion to pay donations from designated funds in June. Motion to approve by Robert Henley, second by Bill Myers. Motion passed.

**Robert Henley:** For Jan Henley, Backpack account has \$5212.82. Beginning June 28<sup>th</sup>, there will be one service at 10:00am, masks are highly recommended and optional when seated. Social distance to be continued at six feet. Pre-school age children and younger will not be wearing masks. Through August 30<sup>th</sup> there will be Children's Church during service time with Ashley and Susan. Motion to approve by Jim Bramblett, second by Deanna Lawson. Motion passed.

Homecoming is August 2. Ed Smotherman preaching. There will be no meal this year. If the sanctuary overfills, people can hear the service in the choir loft or the Fellowship Hall. There will be no Wednesday Night meals until at least the next meeting. Suggested Youtube to show internet services.

**John Dimitri:** UMM had 12 at the Sunday prayer breakfast this month. July 12<sup>th</sup> is the next scheduled one. He offered a praise that his brother survived Covid 19.

**Ashley Weaver:** Says that children with masks is a challenge. Suggests she and Susan McKelvey do Children's Church during service in Fellowship Hall. Discussed VBS and it was decided to cancel it for this year. Motion by Ashley Weaver, second by Ray Weaver.

**Jamie Weaver:** Regarding masks, suggests going with "highly recommending" them coming and going, and can remove once seated.

**Susan McKelvey:** Suggested "Back to School Bash" could possibly have a VBS included somehow. To revisit this idea in the future.

Ashley Weaver to dismiss in prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.  
Next meeting to be August 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted.

Linda Grose  
Recording Secretary