

Emanuel United Church of Christ  
Consistory Minutes  
June 11, 2020

Present: Brad Kurtz, Helen Tritt, Val Cordray, Ernie Lyons, Nick Kindel, Janel Baughman, Glenn Lynn, Betsy Rawlins, Pastor Gaye Santoro.

Absent: Harriet Neiser, Andrea Sammons, Alexandra Sammons

The consistory meeting was called to order at 7:03 by President Brad Kurtz through Zoom.

Pastor Gaye Santoro opened the meeting with prayer.

Correspondence: none.

**Secretary's report:** Minutes were approved via e-mail by consistory after May's meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Glenn made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Ernie seconded it. Motion carried.

**Pastor's Report:**

- Mary Jo Kun is home from the hospital
- Church will continue the month of June on Zoom.

**Old Business:**

- Church opening/ Use of fellowship hall.
  - Pastor Gaye and Nick Kindel attended an UCC interfaith meeting via zoom about churches opening and UCC guidelines. The guidelines are -sit every other pew, masks and no singing. Our church will continue zoom for June and revisit the date of reopening at the July Consistory meeting.
  - Two Families have requested to use the fellowship hall in July. After discussion, the consistory came up with guidelines for the fellowship hall use: social distance, masks when possible and use the lower fellowship hall entrance to the church. Helen made a motion to allow Janel to use the fellowship hall July 25 for Jessica Barnes' bridal shower with their agreement to follow the guidelines and Val seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ernie made a motion to allow the Swain family to use the fellowship hall on July 18 for a memorial dinner for Nancy's daughter Jill with their agreement to follow the guidelines and Janel seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Church Yard Sale - We are waiting to see if Doylestown has their yard sale this year.
- Archiving church records- The church is trying to store old consistory minutes electronically. When office has time, they will scan consistory minutes into the computer.
- Church Picnic 2020- The church picnic has been canceled because the park is not opening the pavilion this summer.
- We are tabling a decision on the bench for the church garden until the garden is created.

**New Business:**

- Number of Consistory Members- We are currently not going to fill Meg Richmond's consistory

position.

- VBS- Vacation Bible School will be an at home railroad themed bag with crafts, lessons, Music CD and cookies. It will be delivered in July.
- New Church Web site- There was discussion on our current web site due to its dated and limited capabilities. This topic will need further research.
- New Video Streaming- Brad and Pastor Gaye met with a Videographer P.J. to see what equipment our church would need stream our church service live when we return to in person worship. This streaming will allow people to attend worship in the sanctuary or watch it live from home. P.J. looked at our sound equipment and the 3 cameras needed to stream our service. The cost came to \$8,732.27. An anonymous donor will be covering the cost. Janel made a motion to purchase and install the equipment for video streaming of our service and Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **Standing Committees:**

Pastoral relations, Mission, Music, Technology: did not meet

### Christian Education:

- Graduation service and parade will be Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> for Becca Painting, Melody King and Jaime Sammons.
- The VBS at home kits will be delivered in July,

### Property

- The 4 furnaces at the church were serviced.
- The columns at church will be painted.
- The gutters have been cleaned out.

Elders: May Minutes reviewed

Safety and Security: attended UCC zoom meeting on guidelines for church reopening.

A motion to adjourn was made by Glenn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Helen Tritt, Secretary