

Emanuel United Church of Christ
Consistory Minutes
May 12, 2020

Present: Brad Kurtz, Helen Tritt, Val Cordray, Alexandra Sammons, Ernie Lyons, Andrea Sammons, Nick Kindel, Harriet Neiser, Janel Baughman, Glenn Lynn, Pastor Gaye Santoro

Absent: Betsy Rawlins

The consistory meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by President Brad Kurtz through Zoom.

Pastor Gaye Santoro opened the meeting with prayer.

Correspondence: Holly Poetter sent a thank you note to the church for the gift card the church sent on her completion of her Consistory terms.

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

Treasurer's Report: Janel made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Ernie seconded it.

Motion carried. Edward Jones investments are now in the black.

Pastor's Report:

- No Adult or Children's Sunday school materials will be ordered for the summer. Helen will continue to send activities to children in the mail.
- On June 14th, the church will form a car parade at 1:00pm to honor the graduates from our church. Rebecca Painting and Melody King from Wadsworth High School and Jaime Sammons from Kent State University. The church will give a gift bag containing their church gift and cards from congregation members to each graduate.
- Newsletter will be part of weekly email update during church closure. Additional items like meeting minutes and stewardship corner will be added to last email of the month. Email and attachments will be printed and mailed for members that are on our phone update list.
- This past week was National Nursing home Week. Emanuel provided a dessert bar for the employees at the Doylestown Health Care Center. Thank you to Judy Cottrell for organizing this project and to all the congregation members who volunteered to donate baked good items.
- Pastor is looking at ways to continue confirmation throughout the summer and fall including a retreat. Confirmation will conclude in the fall.
- The church picnic for June 28 is on hold waiting for direction from Doylestown city. The parks are currently closed through May 31.
- The VBS on July 17-18 is on hold waiting for further direction from the state.
- The Elders and consistory are meeting on May 19th in a Zoom Town Hall meeting to discuss stewardship ideas. All consistory and elder members were asked to watch a UCC webinar on this subject.
- Lucy Rich is in Barberton Hospital but should be coming home soon.
- Nancy Dean has passed away and there will be no services.
- Harriet made a motion to accept the Pastor's report and Glenn Ernie seconded it. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Stewardship meeting of Consistory and elders will be May 19th at 7:00 via zoom.

- There is no update on Emanuel's filing for the SBA Care Act. The church probably will not qualify for this. We continue paying our employees.

New Business: Church Opening - The church will consider in person worship when the Governor allows mass gatherings over 50. Summer Activities at the church are on a wait and see schedule.

Standing Committees:

Christian Education:

- Graduation recognition parade was discussed during the pastor's report.
- New movie activity planned for October.

Property - The parking lot was groomed and rocks smoothed from the winter.

Elders: See attached April minutes

Pastoral relations, Mission, Music, Technology, Safety and Security: did not meet

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

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Tritt, Secretary