

**ST. JUDE'S MCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**June 8, 2020**

Board Members Present: Tim Corbett, John Lankford, Susan Lynch, Donna Hinson  
and Leeann Carpenter via phone.

Rev. John McLaughlin opened the meeting in prayer at 5:35 PM.

**AGENDA:** The agenda was reviewed. Tim Corbett made a motion to approve the agenda and John Lankford seconded with the motion being passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the May meeting were approved via email.

**PASTOR'S REPORT BY REV. JOHN MCLAUGHLIN:**

- **Recorded Services**
  - Still gaining wide acceptance, positive feedback
  - Questions are more frequent about when church will begin Sunday services (addressed in welcome remarks of June 7<sup>th</sup> recorded worship service).
  - Thanks to John Bianchini and Ken Merritt for a good job of recording, editing and posting (eight plus hours to do this).
  - Currently inviting 4-5 people each Saturday during recording.
  
- **Congregational News**
  - No reported cases of COVID-19 in our congregation.
  - Some family members have had COVID-19 but all have recovered.
  - Several members have had serious illness but have recovered or are recovering.
  - Congregational Care Team & Deacons continue checking in with people.
  - We have been receiving many thanks for our continued work.
  - Donna Merritt had surgery today. Jimmy Taylor will play the piano during her recovery.
  
- **Coronavirus & Spotlight on Racism**
  - Coronavirus precautions – how to implement & enforce when larger groups of people begin congregating in building (i.e., Sunday morning services, AA). AA is limited to 10 people. They will sanitize after the meetings.
  - MCC & St. Jude's commitment to social justice

**ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION 5:50-5:59**

- **College Outreach update**
  - First service on June 7, 2020 was intended to be livestream however the video did not work.
- **Sustainability Committee**
  - Work with others to look at issues & attitudes of product use (Styrofoam) and recycling. (Tabled for now)
- **Social Media intern- February 2020 with Job Description**
  - Canceled

Tim Corbett made a motion to approve the Pastor's Report seconded by Susan Lynch and unanimously approved.

**FINANCE REPORT:** Tithes exceeded expectation for the month of May at \$16,400 with the monthly budget being \$14,500. We have closed the gap on tithes versus budget and are now only \$3,750 below budget tithes YTD. The Pantry has received \$3,750 in gifts YTD and the Lunch Bag program has received \$2,600 in gifts. This includes a gift of \$1,000 from St. Jude's Foundation for these programs (\$500 each) in May.

Leeann Carpenter made a motion to approve the Finance Report, Tim Corbett seconded and it was unanimously approved.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS:** Filters in the HVAC were replaced (they are lasting about 6 months). Roof was cleaned off and routine maintenance done.

**ON GOING BUSINESS:** The deposit has been paid on the new media system. Installation will be as soon as all parts for the equipment arrive.

We received the PPP loan for \$20,000. It must be used within 6 months.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It has been suggested that while interest rates are low that we look into an addition to our current building. We will look into finding an architect but no decision has been made to proceed because of concerns of the future with Covid-19.

John Lankford will check on replacing the signs above the doors on the front of the building.

Azaleas block the sign on Market Street. It was decided to table this at this time.

### **Closing Prayer**

Meeting adjourned: 6:37 PM