

**Emmaus Lutheran Church Congregation Council**  
**January 19, 2021**  
**Minutes**

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<b>President:</b> Sue Cole		<b>Recorder:</b> Sue Cole		
<b>Standing Members:</b> ( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if member present)		<b>Called to Order:</b> 7:06		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nelson Cederberg		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sharon Kurth		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Celia Cole		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elaine Leahy		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sue Cole, President		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sheri Manning, Treasurer		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joan Fisher, Finance Director		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patrick Rhoads, Vice President		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annette Fuller		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pastor Mark Winkler		
		Guest:		
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Council Actions/ Recommendations</b> Meeting was called to order on Zoom at	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Due Date/ Completion Date</b>
<b>Devotion</b>	Pastor Mark			
<b>Meeting Minutes</b>	Approval of minutes December 15, 2020	Motion to approve Minutes of December 15, 2020 meeting made by Celia Cole, second by Sheri Manning. Motion passed.		
<b>Treasurer/Finance Report</b>	Review reports, approve filing for audit  Preschool rent for February  Budget for 2021	Nelson Cederberg moved to file financial reports for audit. Motion second by Patrick Rhoads. Motion passed.  A motion to raise Preschool rent to \$1500 for February with stipulation that the Council receive a valid financial report within 2 weeks was made by Nelson Cederberg, second by Celia Cole. Motion passed.  Nelson Cederberg moved that Emmaus' tithe to Synod be reduced to 2% due to ELCA participation in National Council of Churches letter to Vice President Pence. Second by Sharon Kurth. Motion did not pass.	Sue to contact Preschool	
<b>Pastor's Report</b>	Information			
<b>Preschool Report</b>	Information			



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<b>New Business</b>	<p>Resignation of Denise Johnson, Secretary          Painting of sanctuary          Suggestions by member              Add days and times of service to voice mail message.</p> <p>Announce during announcements in services that there is a weekly email from Pastor. Send that message snail mail to those members who do not have computers or are not tech savvy.          Look for a way to have wine with communion.          Designate “safe space” to sit outside for Parking Lot service.</p>	<p>Motion was made by Elaine Leahy and second by Sheri Manning to regretfully accept the resignation from Council by Denise Johnson.          Celia Cole moved and Sheri Manning seconded that Nelson Cederberg should get estimates for painting the ceiling in the sanctuary. Members will paint the walls. Cost of paint should be included in the estimate. Motion passed.</p> <p>A number of suggestions brought to Council’s attention by a member were discussed. The following will be implemented:          Pastor to include in announcements at services that there is a weekly email to members from him. Weather permitting, there will be an area for worshippers to sit outside in the parking lot.          Other items:          Prepackaged wafers and wine are too costly to initiate at this time.          Mailing weekly messages is not feasible due to expense.</p> <p>It was brought to the Council’s attention that the ad in the Beacon has incorrect information regarding service times. Karen will be asked to contact the Beacon to correct the ad.</p>	<p>Nelson</p> <p>Pastor</p> <p>Sue/Joan</p>	
<b>Members Removed from Rolls</b>	<p>Mildred Lidke died 10-26-2019          Catherine MacCubbin died 12-19-2020</p>	<p>Elaine Leahy made a motion to remove Mildred Lidke and Catherine MacCubbin from the church rolls. Second by Sheri Manning. Motion passed.</p>		
<b>Adjournment/Lord’s Prayer</b>		<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:27 with the Lord’s Prayer.</p>		

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Cole, Recorder