

Church Council Monthly Update

In order to continue to grow in our communication to the congregation each month in the Newsletter we will share an update from the previous Council meeting, full minutes for the Council Can be found by clicking here...

Woodbury Lutheran Church Council Meeting Tuesday, July 14th 2020 6:30am – 8:30am		
Item	Presenter	Action
Call to Order & Quorum Determination	Renee	Approval
Devotions/Prayer	Pastor Tom/Renee	
Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June Meeting Minutes • June Financial Report 	Brian Mark	Approval
Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sr. Pastor Report • WLC continued response to Covid-19 	Pastor Tom Pastor Tom Pastor Tom	Information
Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-Opening Update • Liberty Ridge Update 	Pastor Tom	Discussion
Closing Prayer	Pastor Tom	
Adjourn		Approval

Meeting Highlights:

Worship:

We had around 325 in our in person worship, which was less than we had at our outdoor gatherings. We continue to track how the re-opening has gone for others and pretty much across the board about 25% of what people had in worship before Covid are returning to in-person and with fewer people returning each subsequent.

We are going to continue with both in-person and online worship through July (unless something changes) but then in August we will likely have some outdoor options (along with online) and some smaller in-person communion gatherings.

Financially:

We continue to run in the black with income being greater than expenses. We are about 200k where we were last year at this time for income, but our expenses are much lower.

Liberty Ridge:

At this time it doesn't make financial or resource sense to re-open Liberty Ridge for in person worship and the reality is that this will not likely change anytime soon. We will be having a town hall style meeting with Liberty Ridge stakeholders on Thursday, July 27 to talk through options for what this means going forward.

Engagement:

We are working hard as a staff to work through how we keep people engaged in the ministry going forward. A recent Barna study found that 1/3 of people have not engaged with their churches in worship since the onset of Covid. We have to figure out how to engage our members across a broad spectrum (young to old, families, singles etc.) moving forward.