

## RLCC Full Council Quarterly Meeting July 16, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 17:15 pm via ZOOM, by moderator Jim Brown. Pastor Pam led us in prayer. Those present were Karen K, Donna R, Debbie A, Debbie T, Steve H, Linda H, Skip B, Laurie J, Audrey C, and Renee' G.

Debbie T. reported that we have received \$81, 856.40 in pledges toward our annual budget. This is 62% of our pledges for the year, of \$132,226.00.

Laurie J had no report other than that we are doing "well".

Jim B presented a profit and loss statement for the month of June. We received \$1,559.78 in income. If funds were required for items not budgeted, such as in the administrative assistant position, they can be obtained from cash on hand, The Cornerstone Account, or The Cornerstone CD. A full report with exact amounts, is available in the office.

Jim reported activities he has been involved in as moderator. He has attended 4 Executive Council meetings, 3 special council meetings, 2 Ecclesiastical Council meetings, 1 personnel issues meeting, 1 deacon meeting, and 1 informal re-opening discussion. Action items from those meetings are included in his full report, available in the office. Two of the ecclesiastical meetings he attended, were to participate in approval for new ministers in The UCC. Jim has the goal to attend every church ministry regular meeting once, during the year. The moderator's report was approved by those present.

Karen K, serving as vice moderator, had no report.

Renee' G reported for the Diaconate ministry. Outdoor services have been held three times. The diaconate has also been hosting many weekly prayer and spirit of the heart meetings. Greta C has resigned her position, and Don K is not able to participate due to having knee surgery. Renee' requests that we investigate the availability of members who may be willing to serve in this ministry. She did state that Mia has been quite helpful in preparing material for outdoor worship.

Skip B had a lengthy report of action items for the Facilities Management Ministry. They included grounds maintenance plans, rain gutter repair, work on the keyless front entry system, Repair and gluing of ramp carpeting, video inventory of the church, cleaning up gravel by the parking lot in back, and work on a Wi Fi doorbell. He also reported that Jay plans to take a "Safe Church" course sponsored by our insurance company, which will decrease our premium.

Pastor Pam reported for Christian Education. The confirmation class has continued to meet virtually. Their blanket ministry project concludes in August. So far, they have collected over \$800.00 in their blanket drive.

Linda H, reporting for the Stewardship ministry, stated that our outreach planned for the Northern Cheyenne in Lame Deer, has been cancelled due to the coronavirus outbreak. The hope is that other outreach programs can be offered to them in the future. The Northern Cheyenne are doing quite a bit of good work with their own outreach on the reservation. Pledges are at 62% of those that have been committed to. Planning for the Stewardship campaign in September are in progress. Diny G. has resigned her position, so they do need another member.

Steve H, reporting for Pastor-Parish relations has had no meetings in the last few months. He reports that Pam has been named to THE Red Lodge Community Foundation Board.

Jim led a heartfelt discussion regarding office personnel issues. After prayerful consideration by all present, a motion was made to eliminate the position of Office Manager. It was seconded and carried. This was a very difficult decision for the council to make.

Pam reported that an informal re-opening of the church discussion was held via ZOOM after services on July 12, 2020. At this time the church will not be opening for in person worship, due to concern for the safety of our members and their families, and due to the concern of increasing coronavirus cases in the state.

The meeting was adjourned at 18:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Audrey Clark, Recording Secretary