

Augsburg Immanuel Lutheran Church
Quarterly Voters Meeting
July 19, 2020

Due to the Coronavirus infection and pandemic, beginning March 22, 2020 live church services were suspended in accordance with the State of Illinois mandates for social distancing and gatherings. With God's grace we are now able to meet again. The following minutes reflect what has happened since January 1, 2020.

Chairman Mo Schukar called the meeting to order and Pastor Landskroener led all present in prayer and devotion. Minutes from the January 13, 2020 voters meeting were printed in the church newsletter. There was no further discussion on these minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted, seconded, and approved.

Members:

Voting members: Pastor Timothy Landskroener and Kathy Landskroener

Communicant members: None

Baptisms: None

Transfers:

Transfer out: None

Transfer in: Pastor Timothy Landskroener and Kathy Landskroener

Releases: Kala McMMain, Emma McMMain, Rylee Witt, Alexis Jones

A motion was made to accept the releases, transfers and new voting members, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was presented. A motion was made to accept the report as presented, seconded, and approved.

Elders' Report:

Have been meeting with the pastor throughout the Coronavirus crisis, to set guidelines for re-opening of the church to live services. They will continue to work through this process.

Pastor's Report:

The pastor was installed on February 23, 2020. Since then Coronavirus has created many unique challenges and issues for the pastor, as well as the congregation. From shutting down the live church services and this year's Easter celebrations to interfering with pastor's ability to visit shut-ins and hospital patients, it has been a challenging past few months. A copy of the pastor's full report is included with these minutes.

LYF: No Report

Trustees' Report:

There are no major problems to report. Issues will be addressed as they come up.

Sunday school:

Now that we have returned to live church services, Sunday school will resume on August 2, 2020.

Bible Class:

As with the Sunday school, adult bible class will also begin again on August 2, 2020.

Finance Man: No report.

Sexton:

- Recent high winds caused the flagpole in the cemetery to break. A new one has been ordered and should be installed soon. This will be coordinated with the installation of the new veterans' monument.
- An individual has donated \$1000 for gravel for the cemetery lanes. It will be delivered soon. Additional gravel will be purchased through the cemetery fund if necessary to complete the job.

Old Business:

Pastor Timothy Landskroener was installed as pastor for the Augsburg Immanuel Lutheran Church on February 23, 2020

New Business:

Coronavirus, communion, and church procedures:

The Coronavirus has caused many challenges to be overcome before we could return to safe attendance of live church services. New procedures have been implemented for seating, collections, and communion by the pastor and elders.

Previously, the first, third, and fifth Sundays were designated as communion Sundays. Due to the changes brought on by the virus, the pastor and elders decided that communion would now be offered every Sunday to accommodate everyone that may not be able to attend service due to illness or quarantine. A motion was made that going forward the frequency of communion will be decided upon by the pastor and the elders. The motion was seconded and approved.

Thank you:

A special thank you was extended to Karen Torbeck for her work in streaming the live service on Facebook during the church shutdown for those who could not attend.

Special Collections:

There are no special collections designated for the third quarter.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded, and approved. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Steven R. Hickerson