

Programme Committee Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2021
7 pm. by Zoom

Present Mission Statement

The Congregation of Kincardine United Church seeks to foster a journey of spiritual growth through hospitality, service, fellowship and study, and, in community, to build up the ministry of every person and together experience God's abundant love and grace.

Welcome and Check In with Charles Clarke, Randy Norris, Emily Perry, Jim Zarubick, Shirley Bieman, Judy Zarubick, David Hamilton and Gord Dunbar

Not present - Sheila Bauer and Joan Gillespie

Worship Randy Norris spoke about how the principles of Buddhism; the 4th Noble Truths and the Noble Eightfold Path are compatible to the teachings of the Christian Church. Gord Dunbar compared the Buddhist principles to the Christian Good Friday and Easter experience where you die to one way of life and rise to a new way of life. In comparing the Christian experience to Buddhism is that the way to that new life in Buddhism is through the Eightfold Path.

Judy Zarubick suggested that the more we to understand other religions the more we see the commonalities among them as opposed to the differences. How things may be said in a different manner but the meaning behind them is the same

Gord Dunbar compared it to a stain glass window with the different colours and how there is often an image crafted through all the different colours and panes of glass. Each person may see through a particular colour or pane of glass but it is the same light that illuminates the each pane.

Amen.

The minutes of April 6, 2021 were approved by consensus.

Business Arising

The missing last names of the males for the weddings approved by the April 6, 2021 meeting and taken to Council on April 13, 2021 are:

Brady Richard who will marry Elsie Shewfelt, August 21, 2021

Jack Ford who will marry Valerie Koepke on October 31, 2021

That the weddings would not, at this time, happen in the church building was reaffirmed

Business

1. **Film license – now need to** apply by June 25th for a license that starts on July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Or take a break from having a license. The next round of applications will occur in November and begin in January of 2022. The decision was to take a break for now and look again at our October meeting. There is no requirement for having the license every year. It is from the United Church.
2. **License for Concordia \$45/year** David Hamilton has applied with them for a license that will cover Prelude, Postludes etc. from Concordia that he regularly plays and he will be reimbursed by the church

3. **License for SOCAN** has now joined another service and are now found under Entandem and Judy Zarubick has to have further conversations with this service and will bring a recommendation to the next meeting.
4. **Opening protocols** will be updated by Council for us to follow. We do not have a date for reopening as of yet. David Hamilton does not believe that we will have an in person Choir until they can sing without masks.
5. **Pulpit Supply is needed for August 1 and 8** and the committee affirms that we ask our local Licensed Lay Worship Leaders (LLWL) for their availability
6. **New Wedding Request from** Myles Leverenz and Dulce Castillo for Saturday, August 7th, 2021 was approved by consensus and will be forwarded to the next Council meeting on June 8, 2021.
7. **New Treasurer** John Brash has been found to replace Liz Dillman who retired as of May 30, 2021. Appreciation was expressed for Liz Dillman's expertise and long-time service (14 years) Concern arose as to who John Brash is, how to contact, will staff meet him by Zoom, what are the expectations of this person and of the church. Hopefully we will know more after the Council meeting on June 8, 2021. So information pending.
8. **David Hamilton** reported that he is meeting every other week with the Choir by Zoom. There is another anthem that is in process of being completed during this time of lockdown and should be completed soon
9. **Gord Dunbar** discussed the possibility of having congregation members sending in pieces of cotton in order to have a quilt made for World Wide Communion Sunday to be used as a table cloth for a symbol for the first communion back. The committee was in favour of the idea. Gord Dunbar mentioned the required Kincardine United Church Community Faith Profile, which has not yet been uploaded onto the Church Hub and in order to move forward to have a 60 minute retreat for Programme before the end of August to ask the question "what is our purpose and why do we exist". Judy Zarubick will meet with Gord to look at possible dates for the retreat and send out a poll to the Programme members.

As there was no other business the meeting ended with a prayer by Judy Zarubick.

The next scheduled meeting will be on August 3, at 7 pm on Zoom.
