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St. Paul's United Church of Canada  
Leadership Team Meeting  
Estevan, SK — July 14, 2021

**Attendance:** Astrid Friesen, Don Kindopp, Diane Wrubleski, Vic Wiebe (Pastoral Charge Representative), Sandi Klatt, Jim Pratt, Gail Schlamp, Sharilee Schnell (guest), Marilyn McCutcheon (guest), Sandy Dalziel (guest)

**Regrets:** Jasper Pecson, Mike Little

## **1. Call to Order**

- Chairperson Diane Wrubleski opened the meeting at 7:05 pm via Zoom software
- Note that this is an informal meeting without formal motions and/or reports
- (See Appendix A – Page for an informal agenda)

## **2. Reopening – September 1, 2021**

- The Portal churches would like to follow St. Paul's schedule for reopening, but the Americans might not be able to join us yet.
- We are planning to sanitize after each service
- We still plan to use the one way flow with the entrance not being the exit.
- Do we want a greeter / usher?
  - Yes, with a greeter outside the building (weather permitting) and ushers to escort people to the seats.
- Do we do singing? – Haven't really decided yet
- Kids return to school on September 1, 2021 and Labour Day weekend is September 5, 2021
- We will have the first Sunday worship service on September 12, 2021

## **3. Worship – Pulpit Supply**

- Sandy Dalziel can do the first service

## **4. House Groups**

- September is Melissa Feist's House Group. We will only need greeters, ushers, and scripture readers. We will not be doing coffee or potlucks yet. And the offering plate will be placed in the entrance and not passed around during the service.
- Don Kindopp can look after counting the offering

## **5. Organ Dedication**

- Sandra Young is willing to provide her musical skills for an organ dedication
- She is requesting reimbursement for her flight costs and she would like to avoid winter
- Sandi can talk to Shirley Andrist for communicating with Sandra
- We would prefer to have the dedication in April or May 2022

## **6. Discussion of St. Giles Anglican, Trinity Lutheran, St. Peter's Lutheran, and St. Paul's United meeting**

- It was a very preliminary meeting asking where is everyone at? Generally, there are fewer volunteers and costs are going up? Can we share buildings?
- This was a very open ended discussion / it is just the very start of a conversation; very preliminary. Absolutely no decisions were made. It was just getting ideas together.
- The churches are planning to meet again in September 2021

## **5. Rental of space**

- There is a wedding on August 21, 2021 in our church
- We will need a custodian before we reopen. This will be a part time position of 20 hours/week
- Mike Donovan used to do the advertising for positions in the past
- Sharilee does have a job description available
- Sharilee can post the advertisement on our Facebook page, on our website, and on the Discover Estevan and Saskjobs.ca websites.
- Don Kindopp will ask Mike Donovan if he will participate in the hiring process.
- Do we aim for reopening the church for rentals when we reopen for Sunday worship services?
  - Perhaps yes because organizations want to resume their activities too and we should have a custodian by that time
  - *We will need a motion at the next Leadership Team meeting to cancel the motion from the May 12, 2021 meeting that stated that we deny group rental requests until we have been open to in-person worship services for at least one month. We did not have quorum at this meeting, so this motion could not be made at this time, nor was this meeting scheduled to be a formal meeting.*

## **6. Elections Canada**

- In anticipation for an upcoming federal election, Elections Canada has requested to rent some of our chairs and tables that they can move to where they will be having their temporary offices, for the time required before, after, and during the election.
- We can go ahead and rent them out; they won't be taking all of our chairs and tables, so it shouldn't be an issue for any activities we might have planned.

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## **7. How & Who Informs Congregation of these Decisions?**

- Don can give Diane a write-up summarizing of the first Sunday worship service date and how we are easing into the process (such as no coffee or passing of the offering plates)

## **8. Next Meeting**

- Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 7 pm

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Diane Wrubleski, Chair

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Astrid Friesen, Recording Secretary

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**Appendix A – Informal Agenda**

Leadership Team Meeting  
Wednesday, July 14, 2021

Areas for discussion/decisions:

1. Reopening - September 1, 2021— what does it look like, what if any restrictions/ guidelines?

Read this letter from Living Skies <https://livingskiesrc.ca/7713-2/>

Read this information from the Saskatchewan Government <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/living-with-covid-19>

2. Worship - pulpit supply - Sandy Dalziel has expressed her desire to continue to provide us with worship leadership. Diane has confirmed our desire for Sandy to continue in this role. Who looks after pulpit supply when needed?

3. House Groups - who is the house responsible for September?

4. Organ dedication - everyone received the email I forwarded in regards to Sandra Young. Costs would be involved. Who looks after?

5. Discussion of St. Giles, Trinity, St. Peter's, St. Paul's meeting held on June 23.?

6. Rental of space, what if any restrictions/guidelines.

7. Elections Canada approached me if we would rent them tables (10 or so) and chairs (10 or so) for 40-45 days in the event a Federal election is called. They have a budget of \$2500 for this. I checked rental rates in two places in Regina. Tables (8' x 32") rent for \$10-15 each per day and chairs \$5 per day per chair. I think \$2500 is a huge amount for this.

8. How and who informs the congregations of these decisions?