

Concept Minutes of Council Meeting Apr 14, 2021

Devotions: Phil Vriend read from Psalm 136, Ephesians 3:14-21. He reiterated about God's steadfast love in all circumstance. "Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever." "And I pray that you being rooted and established in love may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know that this love surpasses knowledge-that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

Highlights from the Council Meeting

- **Pastor's Reports:** Pastor Brian reported he has been blessed with many pastoral visits, even through a very difficult time as our congregation mourned with the Winds, Smiths, and Bekkerings. He also reported that he met with Jesse Tams about profession of faith and reflected about doing communion with Betty Oudman along with elder Richard Visser. He spoke about Classis, and about the last lesson of Catechism. He also plans to do a sermon series on the book of Philippians.
- **Human sexuality report:** This report was discussed within the classis. Taber CRC has been asked along with Granum CRC, to review the Overtures that have been submitted to Classis around this report. There are many discussions around this report and ask the congregation to review the HSR and offer feedback.
- **Calling direction committee:** Job descriptions have been presented and the half position is currently online for an approval vote by the congregation. A Staff Relations Committee has been selected and individuals will be approached to see if they will let their name stand.
- **Worship Committee Report:** The committee reported that they were looking for additional volunteers to help with PowerPoint and sound.
- **Council nominations:** With Elections coming up, 3 outgoing council members have volunteered to be on the nomination committee. We will require 2 more (one former elder and one former deacon). Ruth has completed her term as Compassionate Elder, and we will be seeking nominations for that position as well.
- **On a final note;** Casey Bydevaate has approached council to offer his retirement as Treasurer, A motion was made to appoint Keith Ypma to replace Casey as treasurer. The congregation has been blessed with his many years of service.

On behalf of Council: John Muller, Clerk