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Ascension Lutheran Church and Holy Cross aka Two Churches Joint Council/Vestry Meeting Minutes September 9, 2021

Attendance: Vestry Present: Gwen Hendrickson, Laura Daniels, Laura Kremer.
Council Present: Kevin Barry, John Standley, Polly Standley. Staff Present: Deacon Kim Hoop. Absent: Rev. Mike Wernick, Joel Flint, Angela Keane, Dan Weller.

VIA ZOOM

Called to order at 7:06 PM

Opening Prayer – Led by Polly.

Approval of Agenda – Polly moved to accept, Laura K seconded, Motion carried.

Clergy Report – Rev. Mike on vacation from September 1, 2021, to September 21, 2021. Polly moved to accept, Laura K seconded, Motion carried.

Approval of Prior Joint Minutes from August 12, 2021 - John moved to accept as corrected, Kevin seconded, Motion carried.

Liaison Reports:

Property Committee – Joel (not present and no written report). John gave verbal report that gate replaced on the Refugee Garden.

Community Ministry – Kim (written) – no additions.

Christian Education – Co (not present and no written report).

Hospitality – Polly (verbal) – Fellowship Hour treat schedule set until November.

Worship/Music – Jill Barry due to Rev. Mike absence (written) – No additions.

Correspondence – John (verbal) – Thank You letters from Synod for contributions.

Polly moved to accept, Laura K seconded, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – John (written) – Polly moved to accept all reports, Laura D seconded, Motion carried.
Action Items: 1. John moved for Ascension Council to approve the Finance Committee moving \$80,000 from Ascension's Savings Account (previously referred to as "Opening The Way" funds) to a new investment account that they set up, Kevin seconded, Motion carried. 2. John moved for Holy Cross Vestry to approve the Finance Committee moving \$20,000 from Holy Cross' Savings Account to the Holy Cross investment accounts, Laura K seconded, Motion carried. 3. Gwen moved for Audit Committee Report approval, Laura K seconded, Motion carried.

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Old Business:

Next Steps in Combining Leadership Bodies – In Progress. Polly and Co Walter to review term expirations and present related motion at next meeting.

Combining Bank Accounts – Nothing new to report.

Update: Holy Trinity Covenant/LOA – Rev. Mike, Holy Trinity Vestry, and Diocese have signed LOA effective September 1, 2021, with first Rev. Mike to begin presiding at Holy Trinity services beginning September 26, 2021. Kevin B to contact Kevin M regarding status of Two Churches-Holy Trinity clergy expenses sharing agreement. Two Churches Covenant needs to be updated to reflect all relevant changes since 2017 version for vote at January 2022 Annual Meeting.

New Business:

Fellowship/St. Michael's/Ascension Hall Carpet – Junior Warden Joel Flint charged with obtaining competitive bids to replace carpet with luxury vinyl tile in not only F/S/A Hall, but also hallway, sacristy, nursery, Rector/Pastor office, and office that break out costs for each area.

TC/HC/ALC Membership Criteria – Tabled until next meeting.

Relationship with Holy Trinity – Kevin B to contact Kevin M regarding regular scheduling of Two Churches Joint Council/Vestry Meetings after obtaining availability details from those members absent from this meeting with all present indicating available both 2nd and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Decision will be shared by Kevin B with all members and Church Secretary as soon as possible.

Issues & Concerns – None.

Next Meeting Date – Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 7:00 PM via ZOOM.

Closing Prayer – Lord's Prayer led by Polly.

Adjournment – 7:51 PM – Gwen moved, Polly seconded, Motion carried.