

**Minutes**  
**Lakeview United Church Council Meeting**  
**September 15, 2021 @ 7:01 PM**  
**(Zoom)**

**Acknowledgement of First Peoples and Traditional Territory**

We acknowledge the traditional territories of the Niitsitapi (Blackfoot) and the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Tsuut'ina First Nations.

**Lakeview United Church Vision Statement**

Seeking spiritual Renewal and Growth in a Caring, Affirming community

**Attendees**

Nancy Gillean	Operations Liaison	Bob Gibennus	Council Chair
Cecilia Pavao	Ministry & Personnel	Wendy Knudson	Treasure
Lorna Flack	Fellowship & Caring	Joep Langejans	LUC Minister
Janet Layton	Community Connections		
Daryl Sedor	Faith Formation & Worship, Chinook Winds Region		

**Regrets**

Raj Retnanandan	Finance & Facilities	Jude Sampson	Secretary
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**Call to Order** - Bob Gibennus called the meeting to order @ 7:01 pm

**Opening Devotional** was led by Rev. Joep. He told us of a time he when he was 18 backpacking high in the mountains of Switzerland. One morning he woke to hear yodeling. Someone told him it was two young shepherds living in the mountains. Every morning they yodeled to let the others know they were alive and well. Perhaps we should let others know we are well more often. This was followed by a prayer for health and happiness and continuing God's work.

**Adoption of Minutes of June 17, 2021** there were no corrections or omissions noted. Minutes are accepted as submitted.

**Approval of Agenda for this meeting.** Agenda is approved as circulated.

**Old Business / Review of Action Items**

1. Information only – Summer Services - A task force consisting of Rev. Joep, the Faith Formation & Worship Ministry team and Nancy Gillean developed an action plan for the reopening of the church and submitted it to the council. Council approved by email. In addition, the summer services will be held *inside* the church in bad weather.
2. Information only – Baptisms  
It is moved by Rev. Joep Langejans and seconded by Daryl Sedor that the official council of Lakeview United Church give it's blessing on the baptism of Henry Daniel Hamilton Wilderman which took place on May 19, 2021 and for the baptisms of Brynlee Dawn Hetmanchuk and Asher Sullivan George Breckon which will take place on Sunday, August 8, 2021 and that all pre-baptism sessions have taken place.  
We have 7 yes votes. Motion carried. In addition, the baptism of Lewis Martin Sherlock was added to the August 8 service.

**Reports (attached)**

Treasurer	- Wendy Knudson
	Biggest highlight of report was the removal of unrealized gains from the income statement. As a non-profit it is not necessary to report this data. It skewed the bottom line. This data will be reported only on the Balance Sheet at the end of the year.
Ministry & Personnel	- Cecilia Pavao
Chinook Winds Region	- Daryl Sedor. Nothing to report
Operations Liaison	- Nancy Gillean
Minister's Report	- Rev. Joep Langejans

**Ministry Team Reports (attached)**

- Finance & Facilities - Raj Retnanandan
- Community Connections - Janet Layton

This team is proposing a Launch Day for LUC to take place on Oct 17. Covid guidelines will predict if this day can go ahead as planned. Nancy has sent information to each Ministry team to let them know what is expected. Janet to let the Council know how we can help.

*\*\*Motion to have relaunch day on Oct 17 subject to Covid guidelines. Motion by Janet. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendy. All in favor. Motion accepted*

**New Business**

1. Reopening of Sanctuary. Jope proposes we aim for opening the Sanctuary on Thanksgiving weekend, following Government guidelines on COVID. This opening could possibly take place as early as Oct 2 service with Clint Moody. We will discuss with Clint and see if he agrees.  
Council is in agreement with this decision.
2. Music Ministry. Will we hire an accompanist or a music director? We are waiting to see what happens at the Launch Day on OCT 17. At Launch Day, Beth Elliot will have a table representing the Music Ministry. She will gather information about who is interested in starting a Choir. We are waiting to see that response before making our decision.

**Next Meeting:**

November 17, 2021 @ 7pm

**Final Prayer** Jope left us with words by Paul Rumbolt\*\* Joy be in thy heart, Peace be in thy spirit, and may Compassion be thy journey .Love be in thee.

**Adjournment** of meeting at 8.05 PM (Bob)

  
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 Bob Gibernus, LUC Council Chair

Nov. 23/21  
 Date

  
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 Jude Sampson, Council Secretary

Nov 25, 21  
 Date