

# CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2020

7:00 PM

## CCLC Mission Statement:

*Cross of Christ Lutheran Church invites all to join in celebrating Christ's love as we  
Worship, Learn, and Serve.*

## Prayer

### Payroll Protection Program

Nikki shared information on the Payroll Protection Plan under the federal legislation just passed and which churches and small businesses are eligible. The legislation takes information from salaries, retirement contributions and health insurance from the last year and averages to monthly then multiplied by 2.5. We need to incorporate the preschool into the application as we are all one ID to the government.

Currently the church's March 2020 was down about \$2000 from 2019. We're still ahead of budget but this is usual as some members give their entire pledge in the first quarter. Currently about 50% of our contributions come through on-line giving but this leaves a large part still missing without in person services at the church. Missing Easter will also be a big hit to the income of the church as these are large attended services. It is likely to be a slow climb back out of the current crisis so it makes sense to apply for this money.

Frank moved and Lance seconded a motion to apply for the loan from the Payroll Protection Program with ratification of this at the next congregational meeting to be held as soon as we are able to convene one, and with the stipulation that the preschool will be responsible for their portion of the loan if we receive it.

Further discussion centered on

1. the preschool and if the church would be responsible if the preschool couldn't repay the loan from this program.
2. The Constitution limits the Council to \$2500 debt/expense/contract that are not in the budget. ELCA is unclear whether this would fall under this portion of the constitution. Since we are required by the government not to meet, this may allow the Council to make emergency decisions. This "debt" may be forgiven under the law.

Ryan will draft a letter to the congregation to inform them of this action.

**Council Meeting - April 14 (6:30 p.m.)**

**Closing Prayer**