

**PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021
9:45a**

- Meeting was called to order by Council President Lynn Alcock

There were 44 members in attendance

-Pastor Paul led us in Prayer

-Motion to approve Agenda made by Laurie DeYoung 2nd by Jenny Langholz

-Motion to approve the Election/Approval of 2022-2024 New council

Members Lynn Alcock introduced the following

- Dave Paul
- Dean Pollock
- Jen Sadler
- Dawn Stevens

Motion to approve the new council members was made by Stevi Hallisy;,it was 2nd by Tonia Ely

RETIRING COUNCIL MEMBERS:

- Lynn Alcock
- Cindy Strauss
- Will Sunnock
- Laura Thompson

RETURNING COUNCIL MEMBERS:

2020-2022	Stevi Hallisy	Grant Kesselring	Jenny Langholz	Tom Neher
2021-2023	Stacy Beyer-Groth	Tom DeYoung	John Kuth	Brian Winters

-Tom Deyoung presented the 2022 Preliminary budget Proposal to the congregation

Will keep the budget the same as last year, no raises for the staff for the 2nd year in a row. Tom went over the budget, basically we are still doing fairly well, the pledges are down from 2020, but with everyone meeting their pledges we made up a lot of ground. Expenses are good for 2021. We saved almost \$50,000 for the year of 2021.

Checking \$52,317, beginning of the year we were at \$110,000, made use for general spending expenses.

Savings account is at \$82,072, minus \$19,000 for the employee retention fund from the government, so about \$68,000 in savings.
Endowment funds are at \$274, 969 up from last year.
Building loan is at \$278,254.76. Campaign ends next May. Retention money will go into this account. Any upcoming endowments will go towards this loan.

Members from the meeting voiced their concerns about no raises for the staff. Inflation and salaries are going up all over, the staff chose to take no raises this new year.

Some members have moved on, we are getting new members. New visitors all the time.

Will maintain the live streaming of the services.

Pastor Paul talked about attendance.

Overall attendance is down about 35% since Covid, we are doing better than most, national average is about 50%, need to continue to reach out to our members.

Council President involved us with a small activity for what we would like to see our church do in the next few years, what our ideas were to get new members, lots of good ideas.

Draw in new young members, bring back the fellowship lunches, more small meetings to get everyone involved. Do a calling tree.

Pastor Paul led us in a closing prayer.

Council President Lynn Alcock adjourned the meeting at 10:45am.

Meeting minutes were taken by Council secretary
Cindy Strauss