

**St. Peter's First Community Church**  
**October 12, 2021**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**

Council Members in attendance: Adam Myers, Katie Schilling, Jenna Strick, Adrian Halverstadt, Doyle Krieg, Ann Ambler

Staff in attendance: Pastor Adam Jones

- Adrian Halverstadt opened the meeting in prayer.
- September meeting minutes were not approved. This item will be added to the November Council Meeting agenda.
- Team Reports:
  - Property, Adam Myers – update on bat removal; Fellowship Hall carpet update; boilers have been started to confirm they are in working order, ordering boiler valves; discussion around snow removal preparation.
  - Fellowship, Ann Ambler – team is waiting on “all clear” regarding COVID to reinstate fellowship time after church; discussing tweaking the purpose of the Fellowship Team; working with Pastor Adam to offer a class on being with people who have experienced and are experiencing grief/loss.
  - Women's, Katie Schilling – no Fall Steak Supper this year; team would like to consider other fundraising options; team is putting together funeral dinner options for families; 2 weddings in December, and the team is looking for more volunteers to serve as building hosts; Katie has a team that will be coordinating/leading Christmas decorations/greening of the church, currently set for last Sunday in Nov.
  - Teaching, Jenna Strick – surveys are being collected to better understand what church attendees would be interested in and to help steer 2022 team tasks; part of Advent preparation with Fellowship, Worship, Missions and Staff.
  - Finance, Adrian Halverstadt – reported September as lowest offerings of the year; expenses also a bit more than giving this past month.
  - Men's, Doyle Krieg – awaiting “all clear” regarding COVID before moving forward.
- Staff Updates:
  - Jenna Strick read Megan Condry's ministry update. Highlights include:
    - Kids: Sunday morning kids' classes are phasing in: nursery, preschool, K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade this coming Sunday; would love to have more volunteers in rotation. Ezri Shafer's baby dedication coming up later in October.
    - Youth: first subscription box received and will be gathering teen girls later this month.

- Homework Help: wrapped up 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the year; had 5 more students/families express interest in attending HH, which means there is now a wait list; a student who started a few weeks into the school year with a 0% in Language Arts has finished the quarter with a C+; will be participating in the United Way's trunk or treat event on Oct. 28; please pray for a HH family going through a difficult time right now.
  - Pastor Adam Jones:
    - Beginning sermon series on New Testament titles of Jesus
    - Working to fill pulpit on November 21. Will be asking HU Ministry Professor Karen Jones.
    - Working to plan Advent; sermon series around first stories of each Gospel
    - Working with Teaching Team on plan for 2022 Christian Education series/options.
    - Pastoral Care Workshop for Congregants in December, will work with Fellowship & Teaching Teams.
    - Attended community meetings: Love INC, Dean of students at HU, Place of Grace dinner, City's domestic violence awareness proclamation.
    - Working on updating website/email addresses for staff, need letter of determination from IRS.
    - Conducted Ron Whitesell's funeral on October 11 with Richard Strick.
    - Continuing to get to know people in the church.
- Pugh Trust, Adrian Halverstadt – this is a monthly distribution from former members of SPFCC; there will be a court hearing in November to change the terms of the Trust.
- Strategic Planning, Jenna Strick – Mike Stone with Stone Consulting out of Ft. Wayne will be in attendance at our November Council meeting to learn from Council and Staff about our thoughts around how we'd like to move through a Strategic Planning Process and how Mike could assist in that process.
- The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

**Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 6:30pm**