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Special Church Council Teleconference Meeting

Thursday, March 19, 2020 10:00 AM CDT

Call to order at 10:00 by Chair Mark Whiteside.

In attendance via teleconference were Vicki Struve, Vicki Wier, Joan Volkmann, Pat Sulander, Ken Dobson, John LeMay, Roger Jackson, Pastor Bill, and Mark Whiteside. Not participating was Dorothy VanPykeren.

Church Council Prayer recited by Mark.

Mark updated the Council with what he knew had transpired in the last 72 hours.

We discussed what Lakeside should do about staff salaries during the church closure. We had very good discussion with everyone participating. It was a unanimous decision to pay all of our staff their full salaries at least to start this period. At some point, we may need to revisit this topic.

We then discussed a temporary funeral policy for Lakeside as well as some direction for funerals personally for Pastor. Again, everyone on the teleconference, including Pastor, spoke. We decided that the church cannot be used for funerals during this time period and that the fellowship hall, including luncheons, also cannot be used for funerals during this time period. We also gave Pastor some direction regarding his participation with funerals during this time period. We emphasized that this is only a guideline for Pastor. We said that he could participate in funerals at someone's home or at a funeral home at his discretion. We encouraged him to work with the families and funeral home directors with some of his own ideas for keeping everyone, including himself, safe. We encouraged Pastor to encourage families to have outside/graveside funerals. The Council's underlining concern is for Pastor's safety. Pastor appreciated the guidelines.

Pastor closed the meeting with the reading of Psalm 121.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35.

Recorded by Chair Mark Whiteside.