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News & Notes

February 2022

2022 ANNUAL MEETING

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH, 2022, 11AM
(FOLLOWING 10AM WORSHIP)
ON ZOOM ONLY**

MEETING ID: 217 197 4317

PASSWORD: 02261844

**JOIN BY PHONE (AUDIO ONLY):
+1 929 205 6099**

Join us!

**We worship on
Sundays at 10 am**

Currently we are meeting on Zoom only, while Marion County is “red” on the Indiana Covid Dashboard Map.

**Zoom link: [https://zoom.us/j/2171974317?
pwd=c0V2TExzQWlmd09PQkxh0E1ZUEZmdz09](https://zoom.us/j/2171974317?pwd=c0V2TExzQWlmd09PQkxh0E1ZUEZmdz09)**

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From Pastor Sarah & Pastor Bob

Happy 178th Birthday!

If people actually lived that long, would you be proud to share your age or keep it well-hidden?

Would you let your white hair shine (granting you would still have hair at that point) or dye it, either to appear younger or just for fun – red, purple, blue, rainbow colors?

Would you use all of the lotions, make-up, and injections that you could to look young, or would you wear your wrinkles proudly?

Well, (luckily...unluckily?) no one here is 178, though if we start adding all of our individual ages together we could probably get there quite fast! Our building isn't even 178 years old, but, we, as a congregation are...or will be really soon on February 26, 2022. When people are looking at our building, which is from the 60's with later additions added, they are astonished to learn that our congregation, the continuation of people of this community, is much older than that and has moved several times in all of those years. And, in the past 2 years, we have made another kind of move, one that hasn't been permanent, but has greatly shifted who we are and how we see ourselves nonetheless. Yes, we all have varying and different opinions on "virtual church," but as a community, we have been able to do it!

Over 178 years, this congregation has shown how it can pivot and shift as needed, time and time again. The congregation built a larger building when more space was needed, and then added to it when even more space was needed. Then, as less space was needed, parts of the building were rented out to keep them from sitting empty, in an effort to be good stewards of all that we have. And then, as covid shook the foundations of what we understood "gathering" to be, we are now able to pivot to a virtual setting as needed.

So many changes and yet God continued to be worshiped and served by the congregation who calls themselves "Pleasant View Lutheran Church" these days – which wasn't even our first name either, by the way.

In these days of continuing Covid, when we so long to return to "normal," may we remember that change was always normal. As our Council continues to assess and re-assess what is safe and responsible for us to do as far as in person gathers, remember that the work of the church has always been to assess and re-assess what is next for the people of God here, not to maintain the status quo at all costs.

May year 178 be just as full of life as year 1 was for the people who call themselves "Pleasant View" and may we face our next year with bravery, trust, and love.

- Pr. Sarah & Pr. Bob

President's Note Jennifer Morlan-Horner



Greetings PVLC family,

On behalf of the Church Council, I would like to thank Alan Zimmerman for his leadership as president. Alan has stepped down for personal reasons, and we send him our prayers and best wishes. Alan helped lead and guide our congregation during an extremely difficult time, and he did so with compassion. He also leaned on his background as a statistician, bringing an important and level-headed perspective when we faced difficult decisions concerning the COVID-19 pandemic. He also relied on his faith and his study of the Bible, something I will always admire.

As stated in the “Connected” email recently, we are looking for volunteers for the Church Council. While talking with some of you, I realized not everyone knows what being on Council entails: How much of a time commitment does it take? What are Council meetings like? I thought I’d share a brief overview.

First, any member is invited to attend Council meetings, which are held at 6:30 p.m., the third Monday of every month via Zoom. Meetings typically last two hours, but there have been some longer meetings during the pandemic as we discussed what is best for the congregation, our neighbors and organizations that use our building.

We start with a devotion and prayer and share good news – personal and about PVLC. The pastors (they currently alternate attending the meeting) share their reports, which for the past two years have largely included COVID concerns and our tenants, how we are maintaining connections with our members and community, getting feedback on new ideas, staffing and other important topics that come up over the month. We share committee reports from Outreach, Finance, Worship, Education and Facilities and discuss any issues that arise. We consider upcoming events and issues and end with the Lord’s Prayer.

But most importantly, we try to do what is best for the congregation, including financially, and assist our pastors in nurturing our congregation’s spiritual life. We do this through prayer and discernment. I have to say, we have very thoughtful, honest conversations. In four years on council, I’ve never heard a raised voice.

I hope this shines some transparency on council membership. Let me know if you have any questions. And please consider attending the church’s annual meeting on February 13. Thanks and blessings!

- *Jennifer Morlan-Horner*

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*NEW CHURCH LEADERSHIP
THROUGH MAY 2022*

PRESIDENT - JENNIFER MORLAN

VICE PRESIDENT - SONIA SIMMONS

INTERIM TREASURER - KAREN MYERS

THANKS FOR SAYING YES!

Join the next PVLC Zoom Book Group!

Starting: Wednesday, February 2nd at 7pm

Reading: "Accidental Saints:

Finding God in all the Wrong People"

by Nadia Bolz-Weber

Interested? Contact Pastor Sarah!



Due to the surge in COVID infections in Central Indiana, we have gone to Zoom Sunday school for our elementary school ages. There will be no High School or Adult classes at this time. Thank you to Susan and Lauren Stolz, Margaret Stratford and Jennifer Morlan-Horner for teaching the Elementary School class in January and February!

There will be no Sunday School on February 13th due to the Annual Congregation Meeting taking place that Sunday.

We will need volunteers to teach the kids beginning from February 20th through April. Margaret will be sending the schedule of topics and dates via e-mail soon. She will also provide materials for you to teach.

As a reminder to you all, here are a few important points about PVLC Sunday School:

- It will be held in-person so long as we are able to worship in person; otherwise, we will have school via Zoom.
- It will immediately follow the 10:00 AM service.

DIAPER DONATIONS continue to be accepted. There are several ways to donate, as follows:

- You can drop diapers off at the church in a bin located under the portico at the main church/office entrance.
- If you would like to donate money for the purchase of diapers:
 - * 1) You can send your monetary donations to the church office (writing "GWOH Diapers" in the note section of your check), or
 - * 2) you can donate diaper funds directly to <https://www.aplos.com/aws/give/IndianaDiaperBank/general>.

- Margaret and Bob

Sunday		LESSON		Teacher(s)
February 6		JESUS GOES TO NAZARETH Luke 4: 14-30	green	Jennifer M.
February 13		Congregational Meeting NO SUNDAY SCHOOL		
February 20		THE DISCIPLES Matthew 4:12-23; 9:9-13; 10:1-4	green	
February 27		SALT AND LIGHT Matthew 5: 13-20	Summer orange	Susan and Lauren



Greetings from Outreach!

We have nothing specific going on for Outreach at this time. We continue to collect for the food pantry, and Education continues to collect diapers. Please let Dave or me, or either Pastor know if you have any thoughts on an organization that we could partner with. There is so much need out there! What has grabbed your heart?

Dave and I are so thankful to all of you for your generosity. God bless us all to continue to be a blessing to our neighbors!

- Kathy H.

Local Food Pantries and Kitchens

- Pike Township Red Zone Food Pantry. Donate here: <https://pike-ef.org/give/pike-red-zone-food-pantry-donations/>
- Wheeler Mission: <https://wheelermission.org/donate-to-wheeler/>
- Crooked Creek Food Pantry: <https://www.ccfpindy.org/donations>
- Glick Neighborhood Center: <https://www.faybiccarglickcenter.org/donate>

Food Donations

We also continue to accept donation to the Glick Neighborhood Center in the drop off bins inside and outside of our church building. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!



- 5 Jim Eaton
- 7 Kim Kernodle
- 8 Amy Crispen
- 8 Lylah Nowak
- 10 Jim Morgan
- 17 Karoline Worrel
- 25 Janet Williams

PVLC Council Virtual Meeting 01/17/2022

Present: Amber S, Jane B., Jennifer MH, Jon S, Karen M, Kathy H, Pr. Sarah N, Sonia S, Robert S

Devotions: Jennifer MH, Martin Luther King Jr.

Good News and Gratitude:

- Recycling bin has been emptied and we can take more paper recycling now
- Mary S. says Happy New Year to everyone
- Joel got be on T.V. during Raiders vs. Bengal's
- Myers family holding steady and celebrating Birthdays
- Margaret & Bob S. for switching Sunday School to zoom and providing supplies to continue teaching on Sunday Jan 16th
- Musicians for quickly switching to zoom
- Jane can now utilize her computer to see the full zoom meeting

Lead Topics

Council Leadership Transitions

- Elect President: Jennifer Morlan-Horner
 - Jane B. motion to have Jennifer M. Horner, current VP, complete Alan Zimmerman's president term.
 - ♦ Second: Kathy H.
 - ♦ All in Favor: 8
 - ♦ All Opposed: 0
- Council Member Positions open:
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Recording Secretary
 - Facility
 - Communications
- What is the difference in roles between Treasurer, Finance Secretary, and Financial Record keeper and back-up Treasurer? Jane explained the roles.

- Elect Vice President: Discussion about the role/responsibilities
 - Kathy H. motion to have Sonia Simmons to complete current VP term, through May 2022, and any staffing situations with Charlie S. will be taken care of by President Jennifer M. Horner.
 - ♦ Second: Karen M.
 - ♦ All in Favor: 9
 - ♦ All Opposed: 0
- Annual Meeting Plans – February 13th, 2022 @ 11am after worship service
 - Can Alan Z. write the president summary? He can contribute but Jennifer M. should provide the report at the annual meeting.
 - Discussion on how to present the multiple positions that Jennifer is reporting on.
 - Reports due: January 31st to Kathy H.
 - Notification Annual Meeting Letter to be provided before 10 days prior to meeting – send out by January 31st.
 - Synod Assembly Delegate Elections – June 9 – 11th Muncie, IN
 - Vote on Budget and 2021 meeting minutes

Pastor's Report - Pr. Sarah

- ACH Building Conversations
 - ♦ Review of discussion with ACH leaders
 - ♦ Discussion of ACH long term use of building space. As we receive more details, we will share them.
- National Youth Gathering Registration has been put on pause to reconfigure.
- Book Group – Complete! Survey for book selection for Book 6 starting February 2nd.

Minutes continue on next page....

Committee's Reports

■ Finance – Jane B.

- Kathy and Jane meeting
- January 31st @ 6:30pm - Audit moved back a week
- Account Access review
- Elect Interim Treasurer:
Council Vote:
 - ♦ Jane B. motion to have Karen Myers be interim treasurer through term May 2022.
 - ♦ Second: Pr. Sarah N.
 - ♦ All in Favor: 9
 - ♦ All Opposed: 0
- Offering envelopes available
- Return to monthly counting schedule while worship on Zoom

■ Facility and Grounds – Jon S.

- Work orders outstanding still
- Edward's update: Response about some of the billing, waiting on response to other issues
- Looking at other companies – Appel and others
- Roof – appraised at a higher value by insurance in covering shingle roofing
- Charlie – great job on cleaning around the property
- Light pole – David H. working on it

Newsletter: January 24th, 2022 11:59 pm deadline
— send to Karen M.

Motion to adjourn: Jane B.

Second: Jon S.

All in Favor: Unanimous

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting: Monday February 21st , 2022
@ 6:30pm on Zoom

Date	Attendance
1/2	22
1/9	22
1/16	22
1/23	27

