

**CHURCHILL PARK UNITED CHURCH
LEADERSHIP TEAM DISCUSSION
Thursday, August 20, 2020**

Attendees: Glenn Harrison (Chair), Shanon Stewart (Chair-Elect), Linda Arklie (Trustee), Richard Baschak (Regional Rep), June Drummond (M & P), Rev. Dawn Rolke (ex-Officio)

Regrets: Joanne Davidson-Jury (Treasurer), Marlene Oldham (Past Chair)

This meeting took place via Zoom. A quorum was not present at all times. Linda Arklie took notes for this meeting. Rev. Dawn Rolke offered an opening prayer.

Glenn Harrison noted that there were two items to be discussed – the re-opening of in-person Sunday worship and the garage sale.

In-person Sunday worship:

Dawn reported that the staff along with Glenn Harrison has a meeting every Tuesday to review Sunday services, upcoming events and any feedback that the congregation may have voiced. To date only one person is keen to have in-person worship as soon as possible. Most are tentative about returning since the number of virus cases keeps increasing and until we see what happens with the opening of schools. Most are enjoying the Zoom services. There have been some small group in-person meetings held in the church which is like a soft opening.

After some discussion, the consensus of the Leadership Team was:

- To delay offering in-person Sunday morning worship until at least the first Sunday in October;
- Extend the Music in the Garden evenings to the end of September;
- Resume mid-week Zoom Gatherings for spiritual nurture, education and conversation in September;
- Resume other safe small groups for church folk (i.e. Book Club, Bridge)
- Consider holding a smaller evening worship service in the sanctuary on Friday or Saturday evening beginning in the fall.

Dawn will include the announcement of this decision in the Friday announcements this week.

Garage Sale:

Glenn noted that many volunteers are willing to work but are tentative about how we can do this safely – not only for the workers but for the community. Policing the buyers for social distancing could be a problem. Also, some questioned about would we

received enough donations of goods to sell and would the sale bring in enough money for the extra effort that would be required to keep everyone safe.

Richard suggested that we could use an on-line platform such as Varage Sale to sell the items already donated. He will research the various platforms available and report back to Dawn and Glenn.

The consensus of the Leadership Team was to cancel the garage sale this year due to the safety issues of Covid-19.

Dawn will communicate this decision to the congregation in the announcements.

Dawn inquired whether we would consider offering space to Lord Roberts School if they needed space for a class. The Leadership Team had no issue with this but the question would be who would do the sanitizing – them or Wayne.

Dawn will offer this suggestion to the school.

Next meeting date: Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom

Original Signed By: Glenn Harrison and Linda Arklie