

**POWELL RIVER
UNITED CHURCH**



**PRUC Navigation Team Meeting
February 17, 2022**

Present: Rev. Mary White, Grant Vaughan, Alaa Badran, Elsie Parsons, Lynn McCan, Marilyn Davis, Wendy Barker

Regrets: Tyler Nouwens, Jeremy Buhay, Mac & Doe Fraser

7:00 Welcome, Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory, and Opening

Prayer: Prayer offered by Marilyn.

7:05 Agreement on the Agenda: Agreed with some additions.

7:10 Check-in:

8:00 Minutes, Business Arising, Reports, & Correspondence:

Approval of the Minutes:

M/S Wendy Barker / Lynn McCann that the minutes of November 27/21 be approved. Carried.

M/S Elsie Parsons / Marilyn Davis that the minutes of January 27/22 be approved. Carried.

New Ideas for Church:

Loneliness: With the lifting of Covid restrictions, home visits can be done soon. We can do a rapid test before we visit.

Business Arising:

Covid-19: In-person services will resume February 27/22. The sign will be re-posted listing the expectations for masks, hand-sanitizer, vaccinations, and distancing. Grant will speak to Phyllis about this. There was a request to include a children's time in the service.

Bible Study may resume soon.

Young Parent Program: Elsie reported that she had spoken with Brenda regarding a possible return to in-person activities. Brenda's current work schedule would allow for early evening or weekend sessions, but she is still

feeling cautious about this. It was agreed that this program would fit under “Light of God”, with Rev. Mary as liaison.

2022 Planning: Preparatory to the May AGM, the Annual Report will be available around mid-March on the website with printed copies available in the church.

Regarding nominations, Wendy will let Mac Fraser know who has already been approached to serve on the Ministry & Personnel Committee.

Reports:

- * **Light of God:** Starting February 27/22, services will be available both in-person and on-line. Rev. Mary attended the MMIWG day and noted that it was well-attended. She is participating in a four-week session by Kinshift called *Elements of Truth and Reconciliation* on Fridays, and finding it very educational. She will start a Lenten study in the second week of March, either in-person or on-line, or both. Planning for Easter is next.
- * **Shepherding Resources:** (See Funds Summary to January 31/22) Wendy will include a reminder about the “Kids United” account at the Bottle Depot in the next newsletter. Participants in the Meditation Group will be offered envelopes so they may have their donations receipted if they so prefer.
- * **Trustees:** Nothing to report.
- * **Loaves and Fishes:** Nothing to report.
- * **Caring and Sharing:** As a way to start visiting, Marilynn discussed preparing Easter packages. A request for participants to assemble and deliver these will be put in the newsletter. Marilynn noted that it is hard to start Sunday School at this point.
- * **Sacred Ground:** Considerable work has gone into getting the heating system working properly again.
- * **In My Name:** Nothing to report.
- * **Open Heart:** Nothing to report.
- * **Ministry and Personnel:** Nothing to report.
- * **Regional Representative:** Nothing to report.

Correspondence: None

8:30 What have you been hearing:

People are eager to have in-person services again. People are praising the meditation service as being an outstanding service in the Church.

8:40 New Business:

Discussion took place regarding having a Flea Market style garage sale in May or June, with tables or booths booked by individuals or groups. These people would then be responsible for their own set-up and take-down.

Adding new priorities to our list:

-Harmony Vespers

8:50 Next Meeting:

Thursday, March 17th, 7:00PM in-person unless there is any new Covid restriction.

8:55 Closing Prayer: by Rev. Mary

I am mentally strong enough for anything that comes my way.