

Southwood Church

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING
December 20, 2021
Location: ZOOM Video Conference
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Council Members	Position	P=Present R=Regrets	Other Attendees	Position
Abawana, Million	Member	R	Turn, Manhattan	Guest
Arnold, Will	M&P	P		
Carroll, Derek	Treasurer	P		
Chikinda, Neena	SCW Rep.	P		
Hanley, Bill	Regional Rep.	P		
McLean, Jan	Chair	P		
Meyer, Jeff	Property	P		
Pearson, Donna	Non-Voting	P		
Grottenberg, Samuel	Min. Personnel	P		
Nain, Corinne	Min. Personnel	P		
Soriano, JJ	Min. Personnel	R		

ACTIONS SUMMARY FOUND AT BOTTOM OF MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM

- 1. Devotion / Opening Prayer (Rev. Samuel Grottenberg)**
 - Lamentations 5:15–22
- 2. Review/Confirm of Agenda**
 - Review of COVID-19 Health Regulation as they pertain to Christmas Eve services at Southwood United Church
- 3. Covid-19 Update & Christmas Eve Services**
 - Conversation regarding the current situation and how to proceed.
 - Sam noted that we made an error in interpreting the restrictions for worship services: even if we require proof-of-vaccination for worship services, we still must maintain the 2m distancing requirement (in addition to keeping to 1/3 fire code occupancy and mandatory masking).

MOTION SPECIAL-014-2021: That the Council cancel in-person Christmas Eve services and move to a virtual-only platform for Christmas Eve 2021. Moved by Bill Hanley. Seconded by Neena Chikinda. CARRIED.

- **ACTION: Draft letter to registrants and the congregation (Sam & Jan).**
- **ACTION: Sam & Staff to review roster and assign pieces for virtual services.**
- **December 26th service will be held virtually as well**

- 4. **Closing Devotion & Prayer**
 - Luke’s Gospel beginning at Chapter 2:22
- 5. **Meeting Adjourned**
 - Time: 7:45 PM

ACTION ITEMS SUMMARY

#	Action Item	Responsibility	Due Date	Completed
1.	Draft & send letter to registrants and congregation re cancellation of in-person Christmas Eve services.	Sam & Jan	ASAP	
2.	Assign liturgy pieces to those who were going to attend in-person for virtual services.	Sam & Staff	ASAP	