Peace Church Council meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm on Monday, April 10, 2023 by Jay Moser.

Attending: Jay Moser, Marlis Huinker, Jane Metcalf, Mike Anderson, Lucy Sharp, Elaine Knoke-Martin (by phone).

Jane read a piece for Devotions and Lucy read a poem by Mary Oliver.

Jane made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting; seconded by Mike and approved.

The Search Committee is recommending Reverend Paula Anderson to fill the pastor position. She will preach on April 23 and after a Q&A with the congregation there will be a vote on whether to hire her. There was discussion about salary, pension, housing and her background. Postcards will be sent to the congregation to notify that she will be preaching and to encourage attendance.

Mike made a motion to call Paula Anderson to preach on April 23; Marlis seconded and it was approved. Jane moved to set a housing allowance; Mike seconded and it was approved.

Marlis reviewed the additions/changes to the By-laws including committees may spend up to $250 without Council approval and the terms for Council members service be changed from 2 to 3 years. Jane moved to approve; seconded by Mike and approved.

Jane reported that the Missions Committee is meeting with Carla Casper from St. Joseph's and JoAnn (Grace Cafe) to coordinate an ecumenical meal. JoAnn has asked for additional help at the April Grace Cafe.

There will be a Women's Ecumenical Breakfast held at Peace Church on May 6. A committee is planning it.

Jay reported that the boiler will be installed April 11 and that the cost might be less the previously quoted.

Lucy stated that the the Lenten Bible study had gone well.

The Memorial Committee had no report.

Marlis is working with Kristina to produce better reports.

There was a motion to adjourn at 6:43 pm by Jane; seconded by Marlis.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy Sharp