

AGLC COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR APRIL AS REPORTED IN MAY 2020

Christian Education

Pastor's Report on Christian Ed:

- Pastor Nick's Tuesday evening Bible study is live every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. on [Zoom](#).
- Pastor Nick is teaching a morning Bible study at 10:30 on his Facebook page, Monday through Thursday. Episodes are also [available on his new podcast](#), "Grace Abides: A Podcast About Jesus and Stuff."
- Pastor Nick's "No Shortage of Questions" podcast is [available for listening](#).

Gary's Report on Christian Ed:

We are doing zoom meeting for HS and Confirmation on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We do two Sunday School zooms on Sunday afternoons, one for grades K-2 and grades 3-5. I am also doing daily family devotionals on the church FB page.

Communications

Committee did not meet in April.

Fellowship

The Fellowship Committee did not meet or have any activities in April. Dee and Carol have offered to pick up and deliver Secret Sister gifts.

Member Care

College care packages were delivered the last week of April (popcorn and candy) wishing the students success on their finals. There will be zoom call for our meeting in May.

Outreach

Support for GRACE

We have been including links to GRACE Covid-19 support pages in the *Wednesday Connections* to let members know how they can support GRACE ministries at this time.

Feed Our Kids

Council approved our participation in the *Feed Our Kids* ministry the week of June 1-5. Coordinators will be Lori Anderson and the Etheredge family - we have submitted necessary paperwork to GRACE. GRACE will be following CDC guidelines which for us means that we will be handing out "lunches to go" while wearing masks and gloves and following social distance guidelines and only necessary number of volunteers (2-3) will be allowed at site to hand out lunches to families. GRACE will be sending out updates as needed on protocols to follow as CDC guidelines change. GRACE will host zoom meeting on Tuesday May 19 for *Feed our Kids* Coordinators that Lori and the Etheredge family will be attending.

Next Outreach Meeting (via zoom) will be Sunday, May 17 at noon.

Personnel

Personnel did not meet in April. Payroll was processed and funded through April 30th as normal. Payroll processing on May 15th and forward will be processed with funds provided by SBA loan.

Property Committee

Distributed messages (such as the one below) requesting landscaping assistance via e-mail and in the *Wednesday Connections* to the congregation:

During this time of COVID-19, we want you to know that the lawn service for Abiding Grace has been suspended until further notice. In the meantime, upkeep of the lawn and property is up to the congregation of Abiding Grace.

As many of us are growing restless at home, we want to extend the opportunity for members to be active while continuing to practice physical distancing. If you are interested in spending a few hours a month in maintaining our lawn, you would be such a blessing. **Please sign-up for a slot on our Sign Up Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E094CADAFA22ABFF2-abiding>**

You are welcome to work on other days if needed and on other activities around the property. You will need to bring your own equipment.

Please remember to keep a safe distance between individuals and wear proper PPE. Your safety and health are priority.

Thank you for your continued support and participation with the Abiding Grace Property Committee. Please share this link with other members of our congregation.

Stewardship and Endowment

1. Strategies for Continued Stewardship: Pastor Nick reported that he and Tim Draney decided to hold on sending letters, email and postcard till after the April Finances are tallied as improvements in giving seem to be occurring.

2. Planning for the Spring Stewardship Campaign: After much discussion, since the Budget will stay the same for next year we will wait to do the Stewardship and Time and Talent campaign about two months after we start conducting Church Services in person again. We will continue to lay out the plans we need to conduct the campaign, to use when the time is right.

3. Mission Freedom Fund Appeal Follow-up: Pastor Nick reported that the Video Preparation is on hold!

4. Small Groups: Pastor Nick reported that Dee Rose will coordinate the Fellowship Northwest Group. He also reported that the Young Families Group coordinated by Vanessa has met by Zoom a couple times just to socialize. Ray reminded all that access to Zoom is available to each Small group.

5. Endowment: Ray led a short discussion about holding some Zoom classes regarding Finances in this Turbulent economy and how supporting the endowment could help Abiding Grace to continue its missions in the future. Pastor Nick to contact Thrivent about some of their online financial updates and share with Ray.

6. Next Meeting: Monday, June 8th at 7pm.

Worship and Music

Worship & Music is continuing as we are able with drive through/zoom communion, and live streamed music.

Youth

Daily family devotionals are posted Monday-Friday on FB. We are doing zoom meetings for HS on Tuesdays and for Confirmation on Wednesdays. We also hold two zoom meetings on Sunday afternoons for grades K-2 and 3-5. We delivered Easter baskets to 10 family homes on Easter Eve.

Date	Attendance	Activity
4-Apr	5 youth	Zoom HS YG
5-Apr	4 youth	Prek/K-1 & 2 grade/ SS ZOOM
5-Apr	8 youth	3-5 Grade SS ZOOM
7-Apr	6 youth	High School Zoom
11-Apr	Easter Egg Distribution	10 homes
12-Apr	4 youth	K-2 Sunday School
12-Apr	8 youth	3-5 grade Sunday School
14-Apr	5 youth	HS YG Zoom
15-Apr	7 youth	Confirmation Group
19-Apr	4 youth	K-2 SS Zoom
19-Apr	8 youth	3-5 Grade SS ZOOM
21-Apr	5 youth	HS YG Zoom
22-Apr	11 youth	Confirmation Group Zoom
26-Apr	4 youth	K-2 SS Zoom
28-Apr	3 youth	HS YG Zoom
29-Apr	8 youth	Confirmation Group Zoom