

Prince of Peace Episcopal Church
BISHOP'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING
October 5, 2022

This was a special meeting called to consider the lease negotiations with Peace Lutheran.
The meeting began at 6:30 p.m. and was held totally on Zoom.

Present on Zoom: Steven Ellis, Interim Vicar; Marcia Kelley (2025), Sr. Warden; Nick Fortey (2024), Jr. Warden; Mary Macy (2025), Treasurer; Rachel Bertoni (2023); Diana Rainey (2023); Sue Rembert (2024); and Barbara Ross (Clerk)

Excused: Bill Dalton (2025) and Ann McBride (2023)

Opening Prayer: Steve+

Agenda: Lease Negotiations with Peace Lutheran

Sole purpose of this meeting was to consider Peace Lutheran's response to our letter requesting that our lease for the coming year remain at \$1850 per month. Peace Lutheran's response highlighted the various repairs and improvements they have made to the property in the past year and proposed raising the lease to \$2250 per month which would be a 21% increase with additional increases to be proposed in the coming years.

Consensus was that \$2250 per month is not reasonable nor is it doable for us. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that Marcia and Rachel would compose a counter-proposal splitting the difference at \$2050 per month and requesting a two-year lease at that amount. This letter would also outline some of the additional costs that we are absorbing such as electricity, cleaning and the water bill which includes a fee for the parking lot.

Action Items:

1. Mary will get the figures on what we are paying for electricity, cleaning services, and water.
2. Marcia and Rachel will compose the letter to Peace Lutheran.
3. Steve+ recommended we ask a real estate agent to appraise the value of the space we are currently leasing.

Adjournment:

1. The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting:

1. The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the BAC will be October 19.

Closing prayer: Rachel led the closing prayer.

Minutes submitted by Barbara Ross, clerk