

Congregation members:

Our 2021 fiscal year is nearing its end, and it was a most unique year within the history of SLC. As with virtually every social and business sector, COVID-19 again disrupted many of our normal routines and aspects of our mission and ministry. Despite those challenges, our Silverdale Lutheran had another exceptional year! We worked so hard to transform uncertainty into success.

Due to COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions and in an abundance of caution, we will again hold our annual meeting (November 21) via the Zoom platform. This year there will be no limit on the number of Zoom attendees. The focus of the meeting is to pass the election of officers, the budget, and the following **two** bylaw changes:

1. To be inserted as Bylaw 7.01.01 (others to be renumbered accordingly):

Electronic or telephonic meetings (to the extent permitted by state law) will be called by the Congregation Council/Trustee President or designee. Participation by electronic means will constitute presence at the meeting. Notice of meetings will be provided electronically.

2. Change to Bylaw 7.02.01

Change “delegates” to “voting members” in all cases. This is to align more closely with Synod vocabulary and also to SLC **Bylaw 3.03 Voting Members.**

Here is the upcoming timeline regarding the annual meeting:

Prior to the November 21 Annual Meeting:

- Pastor video messages will be available to the congregation in advance.
- Budget is available to the congregation via email and on the website.
- Slate of new council candidates will be available for review.

Monday – November 15th 7p-8p (online): We encourage the congregation to attend this preliminary Zoom meeting to ask any questions they might have regarding the budget or any other business. Zoom coordinates will be sent prior and will be in the bulletin.

Tuesday – November 16th 10a-4p: If you cannot attend the Zoom meeting on the 15th, a Trustee will be available for you at SLC – please call or drop by. We would like to hear your questions or comments **prior** to the annual meeting to make this event run smoothly and quickly.

Sunday – November 21st- 1pm (online): Annual Meeting. We need to have 10% of the congregation in attendance in order to conduct the meeting. We appreciate your time, consideration, and contribution to SLC. Zoom coordinates will be made available prior to the meeting.

Please keep your Pastors and leadership in your prayers during this very busy season as we prepare for 2022.

In Christ's name we pray,

David C. Soine
Congregation President