



CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
 Light of Christ Lutheran Church
 3976 County Line Road SE, Delano, MN 55328
 October 21, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

Pastor Mary Kaye Ashley			Year
Natasha Werner, President (Absent)	Mike Boyack, Vice President	Tim Current, Treasurer	3 rd
Laurie Brown, Secretary	Billie Chock	Jon Wissink	2 nd
Lisa Krause	Heidi Goldbeck	Luke Jeseritz (Absent)	1 st

	Call to Order 6:30 Mike called us to order
	Opening Prayer
	Check In / Devotions
	Approve Agenda Tim moved to approve the agenda, Billie seconded, motion passes
	Approve Sept Meeting Minutes Laurie motioned to approve, Heidi seconded, motion passes
	Financial Report Billie motioned to approve the financial report, Jon seconded, motion approved. Add a reminder about the increased giving we budgeted to close out the year to the announcements on the week of November 3rd.
	<p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call Committee update The Council has approved a recommended call upon receiving enough council member votes. Will announce congregational meeting for 11/17 this Sunday but will not share the name of the candidate until 11/3. Welcome weekend will be 11/9-11/10, the candidate will preach on 11/10. Call Committee was planning snacks on 11/10, so they will coordinate with the Community Life Committee on food plans given a pancake breakfast is being planned. We will hold a vote on 11/17 to vote to extend a call (10% to constitute a quorum, 2/3 required to approve). The Stewardship Committee will have snacks on 11/17 to celebrate the stewardship campaign. • Mold detection – should we get additional spaces tested? No new testing recommended. All vents have been cleaned at this point, sanctuary and sacristy have been sprayed with mold killer. Tim will ask about the carpet cleaning in December before the holidays. The report on mold should be shared with the congregation. • Appoint a Fortieth Anniversary Committee (Mary Robinson, Steven and Heather Dickey) – Can someone from Council lead this? Mike will reach out to Steven and ask that he organize this – it does not need to be a huge celebration but based on the level of interest and excitement • Building roof claim \$ and roof replacement Everything has gone well
	<p>New business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connecting 2024 Appeal committee – progress on projects, Steeple is done and under budget, Katie will order the cameras, Tim will need an update from Brandt on the security system/cameras • Insurance Renewal update Increase in deductible, likely 6K more premium expense. Billie will provide the name of the broker they work with for more options.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted Fund request – Funeral Committee Lisa motioned to create a restricted fund for funerals. Billie seconded, was approved. Funeral payments from families will be placed in this restricted fund for funeral costs including lunches, decorations, paper products, etc. We will investigate whether we can approve the formation of a Funeral Committee. • Soundboard Upgrade – Katie The company that put in our soundboard 12 years ago is no longer willing/able to service it given obsolescence, channels will randomly stop working, there's not enough capacity in the snake and the system is unstable, especially if there is a loss of power (needs to be completely reset). \$15k to replace the soundboard and the "snake" plug. A new soundboard could be serviced remotely. We will propose that we use any of the excess capital budget for the specific projects (steeple, security, cameras) to go against this in 2025. Katie will get 2 more competitive bids, and we will ask for this at the annual meeting. • Wednesday Service Idea – Katie/Kirsten, Kirsten's prior congregation added a Wednesday service when they saw a need, would be a mesh of confirmation large group activity and worship service, they offered a meal each week (her old congregation had part time staff that handled meals every week). 5:45-6:15pm meal, 6:30-7:10pm service, group time following. The idea came up because the families we are missing on Sundays we see here on Wednesdays; it would allow for youth to be involved. We want it to be branded. Could we offer a teaser of this in the spring? Katie will think about this. Should we have listening groups/round tables on this topic with the new pastor? We want to understand more about the unmet need. • Trunk or Treat – Oct 27th Lisa has volunteered to have a trunk on behalf of Council. Hours are 3-5, Heidi and Tim will help. • Daylight Savings Nov 3rd – PJs, coffee, juice, etc. Table until spring, maybe have youth lead this? • CPR/AED training in Nov Table until the new year. • Discretionary Funds: Congregants and PMK request for discretionary funds, will table and review wording of emergency funds policy and decide in our next meeting. • Approval of housing allowance Mike motioned that the ministry compensation paid to Rev. Mary Kaye Ashley during the year 2024 include a designated housing allowance in the amount of \$2,198 monthly, Tim seconded the motion, was approved by council. • Nominating new council members – Mike can send a request to last year's council members to identify new council members for 2025 (Steven, Derek, and Lisa)
	Pastor's Report
	Closing Remarks /Committee Reports We will add an additional meeting on January 13, 2025 for budget discussions.
	Date and time of next meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Meeting – Will move from Nov 18th to Nov 25th at 6:30pm given half can't attend
	Closing prayer
	Motion to Adjourn Billie motioned to adjourn, Tim seconded, approved