



CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
 Light of Christ Lutheran Church
 3976 County Line Road SE, Delano, MN 55328
 February 17th, 2025, 6:30pm

Pastor Tim Wheatley			Year
Billie Chock, President (absent)	Tim Current, Treasurer	Laurie Brown, Secretary	3 rd
Lisa Krause, Vice President	Heidi Goldbeck	Luke Jeseritz	2 nd
Pat Czock	Ryan Tool	Brandt Dinger	1 st

	Call to Order 6:30 Lisa Krause called to order.
	Opening Prayer
	Check In / Devotions: Council member introductions and high/lows for the month
	Approve February Agenda: Laurie motioned to approve, Luke seconded, meeting agenda approved.
	Jan Meeting Minutes: Laurie motioned to approve, Tim seconded, Jan minutes approved.
	Financial Report: Will add verbiage for YTD on a slide in the opening slides before service (rather than a graph). Ryan motioned to approve the financial report, Heidi seconded the motion, approved.
	Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff updates – LaDonna retirement recognition will take place on Mother's Day service on 5/11/25 CFM committee will organize a celebration. All team meeting – Feb 11th Committee leads, Staff and all members of committees are encouraged to attend to discuss financial expectations, communication expectations, have connection/conversation time and discuss how to best move forward together. Well attended. Annual Meeting reflections – what went well? Anything to change for next meeting? Worked well to move immediately into the meeting and pass out food/coffee worked well. Technology worked well, need to be mindful of online audio. Information sharing a week prior helped question. Tim will add a Narrative Budget into the information packet for next year. Plan to experiment with extra services Experimenting with Wednesday PM on 2/26/25 and adding another service on Sunday AMs at 8am on 4/6/25 and at 11am on 4/13/25. CFM position – Pastor reviewing JD roles & responsibilities with CFM committee. Want to re-hire the CFM position half-time, amended for any changes in expectations. Soundboard and camera updates, if any - The estimate from our preferred vendor (AVE) was higher than the competition but they are going to re-

	<p>work the estimate to be more competitive. We have a great working relationship with the preferred vendor and they have provided superb customer service in the past.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security system updates, if any Looking into opportunities to expand/build upon our initial system investments if additional needs arise. • Congregational tithe and community outreach budget review Tim will bring more detail to next month's meeting to enable multi-year funding for previous Tithe recipients.
	<p>New business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure all council team members can access and navigate Teams • Plan Council offsite in March 3/23/25/from 4-7pm Location TBD • New council rep Sunday service duties orientation, including communion walkthrough; https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A9A72AAAF85-53701100-2025#/ • Request for church community statement from the Spirit of Community Commission and red cards ELCA declared themselves to be a sanctuary community in 2019, including welcoming and supporting migrant communities. We are not in a position to publish a statement but will assign this to a committee to develop a position/statement and an approach to deliver against it. Katie will provide examples of what other churches are doing so we have that as a reference. Ideas were to consider a 5th Sunday offering, organizing an event for outreach to migrant communities in need. Pastor Tim will gather information from the synod. • Wednesday Lenten meal – council volunteer to host? Council will host on 4/9/25. Meal needs to be ready by 6pm, will plan menu in next meeting • Inform: Pulpit backup plans while Pastor Tim is in Belize; discuss budgetary guardrails for pulpit (e.g., assumed number of Sundays, rate) LaDonna will fill this need. • Committee liaison assignments – Role is to connect the needs/interests of that committee to Council, NOT to lead. Laurie will place the final list of committees/council reps. • Zoom for meetings – previously used Natasha's account We will use the church Zoom account. Can we revisit the way we are using Zoom rather than Teams?
	Pastor's Report - see report in folder
	Closing Remarks / Committee Reports - Next meeting is on 3/17/25 at 6:30pm, Finance committee recommending investing cash for better return. Brandt will make sure the parking lot is scheduled.
	Closing prayer:
	Motion to Adjourn: