

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATION COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED

November 26, 2024

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by President Rexanne Spicer.

Members present: Pastors Peter Nycklemoe, Stephanie Friesen, and Melissa Pohlman, Julie Anderson, Jeff Block, Allison Eger, Rachel Moeller, Ann Oyen, PJ Ritters, Karl Starr, Laurel Stewart, Heidi Tysk-Poppe

Staff present: Isaac Drewes, Pat Hansen

Christ Care Prayers: Pastor Melissa invited all to share their joys, sorrows, concerns, and thanksgivings, which were lifted in prayer.

Casavant Information and Conversation: A majority of the Council meeting was spent in information and conversation about the Casavant organ, led by Isaac Drewes, Director of Music and Principal Organist. Isaac shared a brief history of the Casavant organ, its current problems, and the need for the organ renewal project.

Adoption of the November Agenda: The Meeting Agenda was adopted.

Approval of Minutes from October Council Meeting: The Council Meeting minutes for October 22, 2024, were approved. Also received were the Pastors' Shared Report for November 2024.

Financial Reports: Treasurer Karl Starr summarized the monthly financial reports through his Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2024 – Analysis of Revenue & Expense, Balance Sheet Analysis, Designated Fund Summary. These financial reports were accepted by the Council. Karl then presented Draft Budget "A" for 2025.

Life Passages for October 2024

1. **Baptisms** - none
2. **Weddings**
 - a. **Alinny Michelly de Sousa and Peter Pechauer Walbolt** were married at Central Lutheran on Friday, October 11, 2024. Reverend Eric Walbolt married them. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe assisted.
3. **Funerals/Burial Services**
 - a. **Kenley Bruce Boyum** (*April 9, 1923 – September 12, 2024*) funeral service was held at Central Lutheran on Tuesday, October 1, 2024. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe presided. Pastor Brian Gutzmann preached.
 - b. **Bruce Edward Ellingson** (*December 28, 1952 – September 15, 2024*) funeral service was held at Central Lutheran on Thursday, October 10, 2024. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe preached.
 - c. **Harold DeLoie Herum** (*June 14, 1928 – October 4, 2024*)

Action Items – the Council affirmed/approved with a motion, second, discussion and vote:

1. The Seasons of Life Task Force members: Anthony Dungan, Evan Quinnell, Roberta Groening, PJ Ritters, Karl Evert, Carol Rieger, Ann Oyen and Pastor Stephanie

Closing Prayer and Adjourn: After closing with the Lord's Prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

The Council's next meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hansen

Recording for Heidi Tysk-Poppe, Council Secretary

Central Lutheran Church
Treasurer's Report
October 31, 2024 Financials (10 months)

	Annual Budget	Oct 30 YTD	% of Ann Budget (83%)
Revenue	\$3,434,500	\$3,069,063	89%
Expense	\$3,470,505	\$2,941,002	85%
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$36,005)	\$128,061	(356%)

Operating Fund – Key Revenue Items

Revenue Source	October Actual	October Budget	2024 Year-to-Date Actual	2024 Year-to-Date Budget	2023 Year-to-Date Actual	Year Over Year Change – Actual
Regular Offering	\$123,221	\$100,000	\$1,222,109	\$1,150,000	\$1,143,839	\$78,270
Foundation (undesignated)	\$103,759	\$102,000	\$1,027,035	\$1,020,000	\$1,080,000	(\$52,965)
Parking	\$13,920	\$35,000	\$424,152	\$350,000	\$382,447	\$41,705

Assets / Liabilities

Select Key Assets:	October 2024	December 2023	10 mo. Change
Operating Checking ⁱ	\$230,820	\$204,878	\$25,942
Operating Reserve ⁱⁱ	\$318,954	\$311,389	\$7,565
Designated Account Asset Support ⁱⁱⁱ	\$2,033,853	\$1,878,673	\$155,180
Select Key Liabilities:			
Designated accounts			
Repair fund (consumables)	\$137,974	\$99,130	\$38,844
Long-term capital projects	\$169,293	\$169,293	\$0
Foundation reserve	\$61,086	\$50,533	\$10,553
Temporary holding accounts ^{iv}	\$1,085,704	\$1,264,165	(\$178,461)
All other designated accounts	\$420,029	\$227,771	\$192,258
TOTAL Designated accounts	\$1,874,086	\$1,810,892	\$63,194
Mission Investment Fund Mortgages	\$6,196,663	\$6,112,714	\$83,949

ⁱ Operating checking and operating reserve together provide \$549,774 of cash available to support operations. This is a strong cash position. (A target established several years ago is to maintain operating cash of at least \$250,000.)

ⁱⁱ Includes regular reserve savings and Alerus Wealth Access.

ⁱⁱⁱ Goal is to maintain assets supporting designated accounts that are at least equal to the total of all designated accounts. This goal is being met. (\$2,033,853 in designated fund assets vs. \$1,874,086 in designated accounts).

^{iv} Includes parking lot easement compensation (\$197K) and remaining balance of storm-related insurance settlements (\$575K)