

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATION COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED

May 23, 2023

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Jeff Block.

Members present: Pastors Peter Nycklemoe, Stephanie Friesen and Melissa Pohlman, Julie Anderson, Rachel Moeller, Ann Oyen, Rod Richter, PJ Ritters, Rexanne Spicer, Laurel Stewart, Heidi Tysk-Poppe (Zoom).

Members excused: Karl Starr

Staff/Guest present: Pat Hansen, Dana Neuhauser (Zoom)

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

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

Approval of Minutes from April Council Meeting: The Council Meeting minutes for April 25, 2023, were approved. Also accepted was the May 2023 Rostered Leaders Shared Report.

Life Passages for April 2023

1. Baptisms

- a. **Eloise Elaine Deneen, Theodore Fredrick Deneen and Asher Running Deneen**, parents are Annie and Niles Deneen were baptized Saturday, April 8, 2023 at the 5:00 p.m. Easter Vigil service. Pastor Melissa Pohlman baptized each of them.
- b. **Lennea Mabel Anderson** daughter of Ky and Katie Anderson was baptized on Sunday, April 23, 2023 at the 8:30 a.m. service. Guest clergy Reverend David Wangaard and Reverend Susan Tjornehoj as they are great uncle and great aunt to Lennea.

2. Weddings: none

3. Funerals/Burial Services

- a. **Ann Marie Isaacson Kurz** (*December 25, 1930 – March 31, 2023*) graveside service was held at Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Wednesday, April 5, 2023. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.
- b. **Wesley Harlan Winters** (*October 10, 1940 – April 1, 2023*) funeral was held at Central Lutheran on Wednesday, April 12, 2023. Pastor Brian Gutzmann presided.
- c. **David “Dave” Sydney Dahl** (*December 21, 1939 – April 17, 2023*) memorial service was held at Central Lutheran on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided. Pastor Melissa Pohlman preached.
- d. **LaVerne Theodore Bergan** (*October 3, 1927 – April 12, 2023*) funeral was held at Central Lutheran on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. Pastor Brian Gutzmann presided. Pastor Melissa Pohlman preached.

Financial Reports: Pastor Peter, for Treasurer Karl Starr, summarized the monthly financial reports through Karl's Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2023 – Revenue & Expense, Balance Sheet, Summary of Designated Accounts. These financial reports were accepted by the Council.

Action Items: none

Information Items were shared verbally for conversation:

1. Council Strategic Planning Process – Affirmation and Action – it was decided to continue this conversation at a 90-minute meeting in June.
2. Update on the Casavant organ meetings and process

Conversation: Pastor Melissa introduced Pastor Dana Neuhauser, who led an overview and conversation of the IDI recently taken by all council members.

Closing Prayer and Adjourn: After closing with the Lord's Prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The Council's next meeting is scheduled for June 27, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hansen

Recording for Heidi Tysk-Poppe, Council Secretary

Central Lutheran Church
Treasurer's Report
April 30, 2023 Financials (4 months)

| | Annual Budget | Apr 30 YTD | % of Ann Budget (33%) |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Income | \$3,393,350 | \$1,271,672 | 37% |
| Expense | \$3,373,507 | \$1,121,005 | 33% |
| Surplus (Deficit) | \$19,843 | \$150,668 | 759% |

Operating Fund – Key Revenue Items

| Revenue Source | Apr Actual | Apr Budget | 2023 Year-to-Date Actual | 2023 Year-to-Date Budget | 2022 Year-to-Date Actual | Year Over Year Change – Actual |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Regular Offering | \$120,393 | \$110,000 | \$562,150 | \$530,000 | \$545,577 | \$16,573 |
| Parking | \$71,670 | \$27,083 | \$162,524 | \$108,333 | \$80,906 | \$81,618 |
| Foundation | \$108,000 | \$108,000 | \$432,000 | \$432,000 | \$404,000 | \$28,000 |

Assets / Liabilities

| Select Key Assets: | April 2023 | December 2022 | 4 mo. Change |
|---|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Operating Checking ⁱ | \$182,196 | \$142,233 | \$39,963 |
| Operating Reserve ⁱⁱ | \$375,897 | \$271,479 | \$104,418 |
| Designated Account Asset Support ⁱⁱⁱ | \$554,348 | \$550,614 | \$3,734 |
| Select Key Liabilities: | | | |
| Designated accounts | | | |
| Repair fund (consumables) | \$77,341 | \$41,091 | \$36,250 |
| Long-term capital projects | \$169,293 | \$169,293 | \$0 |
| Foundation reserve | \$44,283 | \$64,283 | (\$20,000) |
| All other designated accounts | \$235,962 | \$270,045 | (\$34,083) |
| TOTAL Designated accounts | \$536,879 | \$544,712 | (\$7,833) |
| Mission Investment Fund Mortgages | \$6,297,437 | \$6,358,699 | (\$61,262) |

ⁱ Operating checking and operating reserve together provide \$558,093 of cash available to support operations. This is a strong cash position and represents a 35% increase over year-end 2022.

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. (\$554,348 in designated fund assets vs. \$536,879 in designated accounts).