

# CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATION COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED

August 22, 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, Karl Starr, Laurel Stewart, Heidi Tysk-Poppe

**Staff/Guest present:** Pat Hansen

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

**Adoption of the August Agenda:** The Meeting Agenda was adopted as presented.

**Approval of Minutes from June Council Meeting:** The Council Meeting minutes for June 27, 2023, were approved, with slight editions from the Executive Committee. Also accepted was the August 2023 Rostered Leaders Shared Report.

### Life Passages for June & July 2023

#### 1. Baptisms

- a. No baptisms

#### 2. Weddings

- a. **Terra Jeral and Gordon “Eliot” Skinner** were married at Central Lutheran on Saturday, June 10, 2023. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.
- b. **Chloe Wasserburger and Josef “Joe” Hjerpe** were married at Central Lutheran on Saturday, June 17, 2023. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe presided.
- c. **Siri Block and Samuel “Sam” Nycklemoe** were married at Central Lutheran on Friday, June 30, 2023. Pastor Melissa Pohlman presided. Reverend Mark Tiede preached.

#### 3. Funerals/Burial Services

- a. **Bruce Alderink Birkeland** (*August 23, 1963 – June 2, 2023*) funeral service was held at Central Lutheran on Wednesday, June 14, 2023. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.
- b. **Robin Lynn Martin** (*September 1, 1977 – May 20, 2023*) memorial service was held at Central Lutheran on Thursday, June 15, 2023. Pastor Melissa Pohlman presided.
- c. **Elizabeth Dewey** (*May 4, 1923 – July 9, 2023*)
- d. **Muriel Eileen Dostal** (*July 28, 1926 – July 20, 2023*)
- e. **Darlene Alice Erickson** (*August 1, 1934 – July 22, 2023*) funeral service was held at Central Lutheran on Sunday, July 30, 2023. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe presided. Pastor Melissa Pohlman preached.
- f. **June W. Oakins** (*June 7, 1931 – July 23, 2023*)
- g. **Suzanne Ferkey** (*February 11, 1936 – July 30, 2023*)

**Financial Reports:** Treasurer Karl Starr summarized the monthly financial reports through his Treasurer’s Report as of July 31, 2023 – Revenue & Expense, Balance Sheet, Summary of Designated Accounts. These financial reports were accepted by the Council.

**Action Items: The Council**

1. Approved to ratify the following adult persons received into membership on Sunday, June 25, 2023, as confirmed, voting members:

José Boatman	Peter Ruggles
Susan Boatman	Eliot Skinner
Janice Devine-Ruggles	Terra Skinner
2. Approved the appointment of a Music Staffing Needs team, consisting of Barbara Anderson, Andrew Heintz, Phil Holst, Sara Klomp, and Susan Troselius, to begin the process of evaluating the music staff needs for Central Lutheran Church.
3. Approved a motion by the Fiscal and Property Committee to redirect Tree of Life Interim transition funds and monthly benevolence support to Bread of Life Deaf Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.

**Information Items were shared verbally for conversation:**

1. Update on the Casavant organ process
2. "One Community" theme for this program year presented by Pastor Stephanie

**Strategic Plan Work:**

1. Council Strategic Planning Process / Advocating Process Conversation
  - a. Staff review and input
2. One-on-ones, in-reach information led by Pastor Melissa

**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 September 26, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hansen

Recording for Heidi Tysk-Poppe, Council Secretary