

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATION COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED

May 24, 2022

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

Members present: Pastors Peter Nycklemoe and Melissa Pohlman, Julie Anderson, Mark Erickson, Rod Richter, Rexanne Spicer, Karl Starr, Heidi Tysk-Poppe

Members excused: Pastor Stephanie Friesen, Deacon Cantor Mark Sedio, Kirsten Hash, Rachel Moeller, Ann Oyen

Advisor/Staff present: Paul Ssenengo, Pat Hansen

Devotional & Christ Care Prayers: Pastor Melissa offered a Service after a Violent Event for all suffering from the newest school shooting in Texas. Individual intercessions were added for the Prayers of Intercessions during the service.

Enneagram Overview and Connections: Pastor Peter shared more insight into the Enneagram, highlighting the three intelligence centers: Heart, Head and Body.

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

Approval of April Council Minutes and Rostered Leader Report: The Council Meeting minutes for April 26, 2022, were approved. Also approved was the Rostered Leaders Shared Report for May.

Financial Reports: Treasurer Karl Starr summarized the monthly financial reports through April 30, 2022 – Analysis of Revenue & Expense, Balance Sheet Analysis, Building Renewal Project to Date, Revenue & Expense, Designated Fund Summary, the Alerus Account Summary. These financial reports were accepted by the Council.

Life Passages for April 2022:

1. Baptisms

- a. **Alexander Migizi Earth** was baptized Saturday April 16, 2022 at the Easter Vigil service. Parents are Sierra Cruz, Oscar Torres.
- b. **Sullivan Brandt Swanson** was baptized Saturday, April 16, 2022 at the Easter Vigil service. Parents are Rebecca and Robert Swanson.
- c. **Bentley Nicholas Hitz, Sophia Lynn Hitz, Mylah Reign Denarine** were all baptized Saturday, April 30, 2022 at the 5:00 service. Parents are Mel and Melissa Deonarine.

2. Weddings - none

3. Funerals/Burial Services

- a. **Dorothy Inger Sorbo** (July 31, 1931 – February 15, 2022) Dorothy's service was held at Central Lutheran on April 2, 2022. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.
- b. **John Hagman** (November 15, 1925 – April 15, 2022) John's service will be at Central Lutheran on Sunday, June 12, 2022.
- c. **Donna Mae Lutz** (December 8, 1939 – January 10, 2022) Donna's entombment service in the columbarium was April 21, 2022. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.

Action Items: there were none at this time.

Strategic Planning Work:

1. Review of last month's brainstorming
2. Break out into small conversation groups with guiding questions
3. Return to large group for shared processing of the small group conversations
4. Listening for values/faith grounding within the conversation
 - a. Health Care: Profit/Charity (Central, Augsburg Health Commons)
 - b. Housing: Post-incarceration/St James Portland, Multigenerational, Diverse in many ways, Partner with a builder, Policy side
 - c. Community: Building it (1st Precinct, LSS)
 - d. Lift folks out of poverty – Augsburg University/build wealth
 - e. Education
 - f. Food Security
 - g. Policing
5. If ready, set priorities for education on various needs from community experts for future meetings, in person or on zoom.
 - a. Commissioner Jennifer Ho
 - b. Entrepreneurial
 - c. Bob Lux
 - d. Paul Pribbenow
 - e. Lieutenant of 1st Precinct

Closing Prayer and Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm, with the Charge and Blessing from the Service after a Violent Event.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hansen

Recording for Heidi Tysk-Poppe, Council Secretary

Central Lutheran Church
Treasurer's Report
April 30, 2022 Financials (4 months)

	Annual Budget	Apr 30 YTD	% of Ann Budget (33%)
Income	\$3,082,750	\$1,102,818	36%
Expense	\$3,074,497	\$1,002,134	33%
Surplus (Deficit)	\$8,253	\$100,684	1,220%

Operating Fund – Key Revenue Items

Revenue Source	April Actual	April Budget	2022 Year-to-Date Actual	2022 Year-to-Date Budget	2021 Year-to-Date Actual	Year Over Year Change – Actual
Regular Offering	\$153,693 ⁱ	\$100,000	\$545,577	\$450,000	\$460,330	\$85,247
Parking	\$44,928	\$18,333	\$80,906	\$73,333	\$10,000	\$70,906
Foundation	\$101,000	\$101,000	\$303,000	\$303,000	\$243,000	\$80,000

Mission Forward Campaign Nov 2019 – Nov 2022ⁱⁱ

Pledges	Pledged	Rec'd in April	Rec'd to Date	Remaining
Members	\$1,918,618	\$38,976	\$1,801,956	\$116,662
CLC Foundation	\$252,000	\$7,000	\$196,000	\$56,000
Total	\$2,170,618	\$16,159	\$1,997,956	\$172,662
Short Term Mortgage (5 years, \$2.5M)				
		Apr 2022 Payment	2022 YTD Payments	Current Balance
Total monthly P&I payment / balance		\$12,183	\$123,732	\$1,106,877
Mission Forward: Cash on hand				\$79,400

Assets / Liabilities

Select Key Assets:	April 2022	December 2021	4 Mo. Change
Operating Checking	\$160,183	\$208,893	(\$48,710)
Operating Reserve ⁱⁱⁱ	\$373,824	\$202,211	\$171,613
Designated Account Asset Support ^{iv}	\$580,551	\$739,860	(\$159,309)
Select Key Liabilities:			
Designated accounts			
Repair fund (consumables)	\$45,353	\$58,537	(\$13,184)
Long-term capital projects	\$178,293	\$169,293	\$9,000
Foundation reserve	\$85,078	\$58,078	\$27,000
All other designated accounts	\$280,710	\$440,597	(\$159,887)
TOTAL Designated accounts	\$589,434	\$726,505	(\$137,071)
ELCA MIF Mortgages – Long & Short-term			
	\$6,735,935	\$6,902,199	(\$166,264)

Baptismal font fundraising summary^v

Non-budgeted project and special appeal approved by congregation on August 22, 2021

Formal pledges were not solicited for this project. However, in addition to the funds already collected, members have provided good-faith assurances of additional gifts that will exceed the amount needed. Additional contributions are anticipated as the construction nears completion and a dedication date is set.

Item	Amount
Initial funds on hand	\$88,271
Contributions through 4/30/22*	\$69,042
Total raised to-date	\$157,313
Original projected cost	\$178,900
Contingency	\$475
Total projected cost	\$179,375
Additional funds to be collected	\$22,062

ⁱ Reflects Holy Week / Easter seasonal surge in giving.

ⁱⁱ Other than payments on the short-term mortgage (regular monthly and special lump-sum principal payments), no additional Mission Forward expenses are anticipated.

ⁱⁱⁱ Includes regular reserve savings and Alerus Wealth Access.

^{iv} Equity investments supporting designated accounts have declined in market value since the start of the year, consistent with the overall decline in the stock market. Total value of designated accounts (\$589,434) now exceeds value of assets supporting designated accounts (\$580,551) by \$8,883. Unless markets recover in short-order, a transfer of operating funds may be in order.

^v New baptismal font, at an initial projected cost of \$178,900 and approved by the Congregation on 8/22/21, is being paid from existing designated funds and new designated contributions. Expenses for this project are not reflected in the regular income / expense statement. See project fundraising summary above.