

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH CONGREGATION COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED

June 28, 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, Melissa Pohlman, Stephanie Friesen, Deacon Cantor Mark Sedio, Julie Anderson, Mark Erickson, Kirsten Hash, Rachel Moeller, Ann Oyen, Rod Richter, Rexanne Spicer, Karl Starr

Members excused: Heidi Tysk-Poppe

Advisor/Staff present: Paul Ssenengo, Pat Hansen

Enneagram Devotional & Christ Care Prayers: Pastor Stephanie offered a devotion that centered on the Enneagram; she then invited all to share their joys, sorrows, concerns, and thanksgivings, which were then lifted in prayer.

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

Approval of May Council Minutes and Rostered Leader Report: The Council Meeting minutes for May 24, 2022, were approved. Also approved was the Rostered Leaders Shared Report for June.

Financial Reports: Treasurer Karl Starr summarized the monthly financial reports through May 31, 2022 – Analysis of Revenue & Expense, Balance Sheet Analysis, Building Renewal Project to Date, Revenue & Expense, Designated Fund Summary. These financial reports were accepted by the Council.

Life Passages for May 2022:

1. **Baptisms** - none
2. **Weddings**
 - a. **Joel Krieger and Katerina Hoffman** were married off site on Friday, May 27, 2022. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe presided.
3. **Funerals/Burial Services**
 - a. **Harold “Pete” John Peterson, Jr.** (January 31, 1939 – May 1, 2022) Harold’s service was held at the Washburn McReavy Funeral Home in Coon Rapids on Thursday, May 12, 2022. Pastor Melissa Pohlman presided.
 - b. **Van Steven Keszler** (September 14, 1956 – January 31, 2022) Van’s service was held at Central Lutheran on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.
 - c. **Dirk Larsen** (August 2, 1958 – May 11, 2022) Dirk’s service was held at Central Lutheran on Wednesday, May 18, 2022. Pastor Stephanie Friesen presided.
 - d. **Mary Annette Steinke** (December 6, 1934 – May 2, 2022) Mary’s service was held at Central Lutheran on Thursday, May 19, 2022. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe presided.
 - e. **John “Rob” Robert Dewey Jr.** (April 5, 1963 – December 17, 2021) John’s service was held at Central Lutheran on Saturday, May 21, 2022. Pastor Brian Gutzmann presided. Pastor Peter Nycklemoe preached.
 - f. **Owen Donald Green** (July 26, 1942 – January 9, 2022) Owen’s service was held at Central Lutheran Tuesday, May 24, 2022. Pastor Melissa Pohlman presided. Reverend Jeffrey Schulz preached. Owen had been a member at Bethany Lutheran Church, Minneapolis. When Bethany closed, Owen started to come to Central faithfully.

Action Items:

1. The Council approved the recommendation by the Personnel Committee for a 3.5% cost of living increase for the staff.

Strategic Planning Work: The guest for this meeting was Katie Dillon, the Director of Align Minneapolis. She talked about the shared partnership between Central Lutheran and Align, gave an overview of the organization, its vision and mission, and answered questions that arose.

Schedule Reminders:

1. No Council Meeting in July, the Exec Committee will meet to review financials and ministry support needs on July 19.
2. Council will meet in person at 6:00 pm on August 23.
3. Council will meet in person at 6:00 pm on September 27.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hansen

Recording for Heidi Tysk-Poppe, Council Secretary

Central Lutheran Church
Treasurer's Report
May 31, 2022 Financials (5 months)

	Annual Budget	May 31 YTD	% of Ann Budget (42%)
Income	\$3,082,750	\$1,324,332	43%
Expense	\$3,074,497	\$1,237,476	40%
Surplus (Deficit)	\$8,253	\$86,856	1,052%

Operating Fund – Key Revenue Items

Revenue Source	May Actual	May Budget	2022 Year-to-Date Actual	2022 Year-to-Date Budget	2021 Year-to-Date Actual	Year Over Year Change – Actual
Regular Offering	\$91,323	\$100,000	\$636,900	\$550,000	\$546,539	\$90,361
Parking	\$14,835	\$18,333	\$95,741	\$91,667	\$12,463	\$83,278
Foundation	\$101,000	\$101,000	\$505,000	\$505,000	\$405,000	\$100,000

Mission Forward Campaign Nov 2019 – Nov 2022ⁱ

Pledges	Pledged	Rec'd in May	Rec'd to Date	Remaining
Members	\$1,918,618	\$12,206	\$1,814,162	\$104,456
CLC Foundation	\$252,000	\$7,000	\$203,000	\$49,000
Total	\$2,170,618	\$19,206	\$2,017,162	\$153,456
Short Term Mortgage (5 years, \$2.5M)				
		May 2022 Payment	2022 YTD Payments	Current Balance
Total monthly P&I payment / balance		\$12,183	\$135,915	\$1,007,575
Mission Forward: Cash on hand				
				\$86,423

Assets / Liabilities

Select Key Assets:	May 2022	December 2021	5 mo. Change
Operating Checking	\$133,141	\$208,893	(\$75,752)
Operating Reserve ⁱⁱ	\$373,842	\$202,211	\$171,631
Designated Account Asset Support ⁱⁱⁱ	\$583,266	\$739,860	(\$156,594)
Select Key Liabilities:			
Designated accounts			
Repair fund (consumables)	\$45,353	\$58,537	(\$13,184)
Long-term capital projects	\$169,293	\$169,293	\$0
Foundation reserve	\$103,078	\$58,078	\$45,000
All other designated accounts	\$261,229	\$440,597	(\$179,368)
TOTAL Designated accounts	\$578,953	\$726,505	(\$147,552)
ELCA MIF Mortgages – Long & Short-term	\$6,710,679	\$6,902,199	(\$191,520)

Baptismal font fundraising summary^{iv}

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 5/31/22*	\$69,102
Total raised to-date	\$157,373
Original projected cost	\$178,900
Contingency	\$475
Total projected cost	\$179,375
Additional funds to be collected	\$22,002

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

ⁱⁱ Includes regular reserve savings and Alerus Wealth Access.

ⁱⁱⁱ Goal is to maintain assets supporting designated accounts that is at least equal to the total of all designated accounts. This goal is currently met. (\$583,265 in assets vs. \$578,953 in designated account liabilities.)

^{iv} 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.