

# Faith Lutheran Church Congregational Council Meeting

## November 12, 2024

### Attendance (“P” = present)

Kay Brossard – P Lisa Chile – P Leslie Edgerton – P Jamie Estill – P Greg John – P	Linda Mihalov – P Ralph Minor – P Jim Musar – P Jill Richmond – P Mark Strom – P	<i>Guests:</i> Carl Presley Rebecca Keith <i>Ex officio:</i> Shannyn Fuerst – On sabbatical Wally Powelson – P
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Topic	Discussion and Action Items
Call to Order	Mark Strom @ 7:03
Devotional	Leslie Edgerton led our conversation.
Approval of Minutes	The October meeting minutes were approved.
Finance Committee and Financial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have promoted stewardship every other week and have seen an uptick in donations, some specifically towards the wall repairs.</li> <li>• Wally provided an update on the restricted gift to be used towards the purchase of new wireless microphones, which is part of our long-term plan to upgrade the sound system. The upgrade will also put us in compliance for radio frequency standards.</li> <li>• We have prepaid for ongoing social media work as part of outreach efforts.</li> <li>• There will be a partial parsonage tax refund for 2023 of \$1100.</li> <li>• Wally reviewed 2024 budget trends and the 2025 budget proposal, which includes a six-month budget in alignment with new fiscal year as outlined in our constitution updates. The council approved the proposed budget.</li> </ul>
Bridge of Promise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The building use agreement is signed!</li> <li>• Rebecca Keith shared updates about the Bridge of Promise. The contract is close to signature for a December 1 start date. Their insurance and liability coverage was deemed sufficient. Bridge of Promise will be covering the cost of several improvements that will also benefit shared space and the congregation such as waxing the floors, adding furniture in the classrooms, and fresh paint in the yoga room.</li> <li>• Bridge of Promise will start with 11 participant and in looking at their long-term business plan, they expect this to reach 20 participants. Council majority approved a motion (7 members) to revise the agreement stating that Faith will approve a proposed participant increase promptly and in good faith. Kay will work with Rebecca to update the language.</li> </ul>
Prayer/Adjourn	Mark adjourned the meeting at <b>8:36 pm</b> with prayer led by the council.

Submitted by Jill Richmond, 2024-25 secretary

Next meeting date: December 10, 2024