

**Cross of Christ Lutheran Church Council
Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2024**

6:00 pm

Mission Statement: “As a fellowship of believers, it is our mission to joyfully proclaim the gospel of Christ in word and deed, inviting people to worship together, nurturing them in the Christian faith, loving one another and serving a world in need.”

Officers	P	A	Pastors	P	A	Cabinet	P	A	Cabinet	P	A
Sandy Erickson (President)	X		Pr. Dana Jackson		X	Steve Halvorson (Finance)		X	Ron Evenson (Stewardship)	X	
Brad Hongerholt (Vice President)	X					Jessica Brand (Youth & Family)	X		Kathy Olson (Worship & Music)		X
Marsha Benson (Secretary)	X					Keith Herek (C of C Building)	X		Heather Reay (Education)		X
Patrick Forsyth (Financial Admin.)		X				Chuck Halvorson (C of C Grounds)	X		Wayne Runningen (Stone Church)	X	
Karen Christensen (Financial Sec.)		X				Mike Berg (Evangelism)		X			
						Lyn Halvorson (Co-Chair WELCA)	X		Elsie Olson (Co-Chair WELCA)		X

1) Call to order – 6:00 pm

President: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Council: Amen.

2) Devotions – Pastor Dana Jackson

3) Review of the Agenda

4) Reports –

a) Pastor’s Report – No Report

- b) President's Report – Sandy reported that ALICE Training has been arranged for October 6th from 6pm to 8pm. Investigator Chris Frick and Officer Brett Herly will be giving the training. We will check to see if we can move it back a week because of other activities on October 6th.
- c) Secretary Report – Keith made a motion to approve the August 27, 2024, council meeting minutes. Seconded by Brad. Motion approved unanimously.
- d) Financial Administrator's Report – The deficit in August was more than we had anticipated. We have a larger than expected deficit to date for the year. On a positive note: Juanita Buckel, SanDiego, CA donated \$30,000 to the Stone Church Building and an additional \$30,000 to the Stone Church Cemetery. Lynn made a motion to accept the donations to the Stone Church Building and the Stone Church Cemetery from Juanita Buckel. Chuck seconded the motion. Motioned approved unanimously.

5) Cabinet Reports –

- a) Education – No Report
- b) Evangelism – A trip will be made to the Hunger Task Force in La Crosse on September 25th to help at the Houston Food Pantry. The food distribution at church is on September 26th. Ellen Hongerholt continues to meet for Bible studies. Vicky McKay and Mike will be delivering meals on September 30th. The biannual roadside cleanup on October 6th.
- c) Finance – No Report
- d) Personnel – No Report
- e) C of C Grounds -Six handicap signs have been ordered. The old signs are in bad shape or gone. Chuck is looking into marking the parking spaces in front of the church. The city has informed him that we are parking in front of the church incorrectly. We will need to correct this if we have the area painted. Chuck will reach out for bids. Many people have asked why we didn't put the gravel down on the parking lot. Chuck will speak on this at church next Sunday.
- f) C of C Building – The cross on the north side of the church is faded and worn. Keith had received bids to stain and put on a poly topcoat. The bids were \$1,500 and \$1,380. Tim Buckland is available to do the work very soon. The other bidder wasn't sure when he'd be able to do it. Jess made a motion to accept Mr. Buckland's bid of \$1,500 so the work could be done soon. Motion seconded by Ron. Motion approved unanimously.
- g) Stone Church/Cemetery – The outhouse is ready to be picked up. We have the plaque for the time clock that Jim Skree spoke about. The rails that the former pastors are on are full. A new rail is being made so we can continue to display pastor photos. There is a shrub dying on the northwest corner of the Stone Church. It will be taken down.

- h) Stewardship & Mission – Fall Fest will be the second Sunday in October, (October 13).
- 6) Old Business – No Report
- 7) New Business – The Sunday School refrigerator has quit. Cox Hardware gave us two bids, which are: \$899 for an 18-cubic foot or a Crossly at \$999 for a 20.2 cubic foot refrigerator. The Crossly has an energy feature and warranty. There’s no warranty for the other one. Wayne made a motion to purchase the Crossly. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8) Open Discussion – No discussion
- 9) Calendar – Up Coming events.....
- September 22 8:30 Choir Practice 9:30 Worship service
 - September 25 6:30 Confirmation/Club 56 (S.S. 6:00)
 - September 29 9:30 Worship w/Baptism/Cradle roll/3rd grade Bibles followed by Sunday School
 - October 1 4:00 Potato/Squash peeling & cutting
 - October 2 4:00-7:00 **Fall Supper**
 - October 4 Wedding Rehearsal
 - October 5 Edwards wedding
 - October 6 9:30 Worship w/Noisy offering followed by Sunday School; 10:30 Roadside Cleanup
 - October 6 10:30 Stone Church/St. Pete Cemetery Annual board meeting
 - October 7 2:00 Ruth Circle
 - October 8 6:00 Executive council meeting
 - October 9 Confirmation/Club 56 6:30 (S.S. 6:00)
 - October 13 **“Fall Fest”**
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