

**Cross of Christ Lutheran
Church Council Agenda
August 15, 2023
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.”

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

Pastor Dana handed out the yearly calendar, which we reviewed as a group. Church Council is looking at the Thanksgiving Eve service, and the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services, and may have some changes.

b. President’s Report

Nice to back after having no July Church Council meeting.

c. Secretary’s Report

* Council meeting minutes from June 20, 2023

Ron Evenson made a motion to approve the minutes from the June meeting. Tyler Marshall seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Financial Administrator’s Report

In the General account, we are over budget due to expenses of \$5,667.00 related to the new security system. We did not budget for a new security system, but Council approved the purchase.

However, we are still ahead of budget for the year. We budgeted a deficit of \$-21,006.94 and we are at \$8,316.79. So we are ahead by \$12,690.15.

Ron Evenson made a motion to approve the financial report, Mike Berg seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Cabinet Reports

a. Education

Vacation Bible school was well received. Great group of volunteers which included the youth! 27-29 attendees each day.

We are going to send out the Sunday School letter soon. Working with Pastor Dana on bibles for the three-year old group, and for the 3rd graders. September 24th will be first day of Sunday School.

b. Evangelism

Worked at Food shelf and helped with Meals on Wheels. BAM is coming up this weekend and will reach out to help with this.

“God’s Work Our Hands”-Discussion by church council members on what do on this designated day. Decided to have a care package and school kit drive. All donations will then be packaged on the “God’s Work Our Hands” Day.

c. Finance

d. Personnel

Karen’s yearly review went well. Will be speaking with Finance soon.

e. CofC Building

Keith Herek reported Security work is almost done. Dishwasher was looked over and fixed.

Ongoing projects

Furnace-The furnace will be looked at when the weather gets cooler. Schroeder will look at this at the end of this month.

Lighting upgrade in Sanctuary- Have a bid, and waiting on another. Next council meeting we will have both bids.

f. CofC Grounds

1. Lawn service

2. Snow removal

3. Wire in tree

4. Cross-Needs attention. Keith suggested staining the cross with a clear coat.

True Green 1.2 Acres = \$210.00 per treatment. Possible for two this fall and four to five next year it's up to us. Tax exempt.

Lawn Doctors \$323.00 per time. We decide how often, this also Tax exempt.

Wayne Runningen made a motion to start this fall, and motion seconded by Mike Berg to start treatment this fall. Motion carries unanimously.

Brandon Olson Side walk snow removal. \$35.00 plus \$7.00 for salt if needed per time.

Adam Olson Parking lot plowing \$60.00 for plowing per time. Ice control will be \$75.00 per time as needed.

Both Brandon and Adam would be willing to sign a " Two Year " contract. We are currently doing " One Year "

Wayne Runningen made a motion to approve two -year contract and motion seconded by Keith Herek. Motion carries unanimously.

Thanks,
Chuck Halvorson

- g. Stone Church/Cemetery
Cemetery Walk went very well! Denise Rostad and Leroy Thompson, and Wayne Runnigen spoke of families @ the Stone Church Cemetery Walk.
Diane Larson recommended rubber grated mats, also metal plate that goes up for threshold at Stone Church entrance. Diane purchased her mats at Amazon.
Stone Church committee meeting- We talked about getting the Stone Church ceiling back to original. Asbestos needed to be removed first and go from there.
 - h. Stewardship & Mission
Tyler reported Coffee and Cabinets. Patrick and Tyler will be meeting in regards to fundraising for the church. More to come at next meeting.
 - i. Worship & Music
Looking at new hymn list that congregation mentioned.
 - j. Youth & Family
 - k. W/ELCA
September 11 & 12 will be Do-Days @ church, along with business meeting. Hobby Huddle will be held at the end of September. SE MN Conference Convention is coming up.
Looking for donations for care kits and school kits. July ice cream social went well with good attendance. Money raised will go to carpet fund. Carpet Bids are coming soon for church carpet!
 - l. Youth Representative
- f. Old Business:
 - g. New Business:

Bingo money from HOEDOWN. It was decided we will table until September meeting.
 - h. Open Discussion:

i. Calendar –Up Coming events.....

- July 17-20 Good Earth Day VBS Day Camp
- August 6 Historic Stone Cemetery Walk with Kids Scavenger Hunt & Brunch
- August 7 Ruth Circle at CofC – Elsie Olson
- August 9 Executive Council Meeting
- August 15 Council Meeting
- August 15-27 Apollo Music Festival (Concerts at CofC 18,20,24,26)
- August 19 Apollo Master Classes
- September 3 Blessing of Wheels & Backpacks at the Stone Church
- September 4 Labor Day
- September 10 God's Work Our Hands
- September 11 & 12 Do Day's
- September 11 Ruth Circle – Judy Munson
- September 12 Executive Council Meeting
- September 16 Private Event at CofC
- September 17 Cradle Roll/3rd Grade Bible Presentation & Welcome Back Brunch!
- September 19 Council Meeting
- September 20 Simple Supper/Confirmation Class
- September 24 Sports Team Sunday/Coffee & Cabinets

Benediction President: Almighty God, Father, and Son and Holy Spirit order our days and our deeds in his peace. Amen

Adjourned: 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Runningen

Church Council Secretary, Cross of Christ Congregation Council