MINUTES
Congregational Church Council
February 10, 2025

Members present: Sari Torstenson, Jeff Reiche, Paula Gaida, Randy Neumann, Ron Kirchdoerfer, Pastor Joel, Linda Beck, Eric Neff, Dan Bergschnieder, Bob Ubbelohde and Janet Rivard

Members Absent: Deb Meier

The Meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by Ron Kirchdoerfer.

- II. Opening Prayer by Pastor Joel
- III. Agenda was approved as amended to include items: Lenton Devotional Booklets, Round Tables, and Christmas Candles.

Motion was made to approve and adopt the Amended Agenda by Eric, seconded by Bob. Motion passed

IV. The minutes from the January 13, 2025 Council meeting. Minutes were approved by Motion by Randy, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

The minutes from the January 26, 2025 Annual Meeting. Minutes were approved by Motion by Randy, seconded by Paula. Motion passed..

- V. The Financial Report was distributed, discussed and approved by a Motion by Linda, seconded by Randy. Motion passed
- VI. Pastor Report: Report given. Office being used more by members for counseling services. Birkie request. Bob made a Motion to accept the report, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

Birkie approached the church about being Major Medical Triage site.

Explanation given, recommendation Room 5. Motion was made to approve Birkie use of Room 5 by Randy, seconded by Eric. Motion passed

- VII. Correspondence was present. Thank you received from Food Shelf.
- VIII. Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee: Report given by Jeff.

Children, Youth & Family: Report given by Jeff.

- School Kits for Lutheran World Relief. Youth sewed the bags, filled the bags, and prepared them to be shipped.
- Youth and Mentors meet for special session

Stewardship Committee: Report given by Jeff

Outreach Committee: Report given by Jeff

School/Winter clothing drive successful

### Music & Worship given by Paula and Pastor

- Update for more banners in the sanctuary, Terri Lundeen the liaison working on this
- Candles for Christmas Services, 240 candles plus batteries Motion to authorize the Music/Worship committee to approach Memorial/Endowment Committee for donation by Linda, seconded by Randy. Motion passed.

#### Evangelism: Report given by Paula

Paula and Sue drafted Ministry Contacts. Corrections were made. Paula to make corrections and ready for posting on website.

# Evangelism: Report given by Paula

- Photo of Welcome Center, removed.
- Community Room project complete
- Next Project: Gathering Room #5, and Music Room Floor

## Property: Report given by Randy.

- Fence being installed behind prayer garden
- Parking lot and playground lighting
- Narthex lighting and matching fixtures
- Replace large fans in Sanctuary and Narthex

Long Range Plan: Report given by Bob.

AV Committee: Report given by Eric.

The Committee Reports were accepted by a Motion by Eric, seconded by Randy. Motion passed,

#### IX. OLD BUSINESS

Seeking two members to attend the Synod meeting to vote at the Assembly. No volunteers, going to list in bulletin.

#### X. NEW BUISNESS

Hire of organist, Sarah Adair, rate of \$150 per service. Also hired as the accompanist for the choir. Motion by Randy, second by Eric to approve the organist hire. Motion passed.

Authorization of gifts for Musicians, Roberto Palombi and Charlene Murdock. Motion by Jeff, second by Paula to approve the organist the gift of \$500 in appreciation for the musical talents they provided this past year.

Lenton Devotion Booklet: Print 200 copies, electronic version will be available. Motion by Jeff, second by Randy to approve printing of booklet funds will be used from Weekly Bulletin Account. Motion passed.

Round Tables. Reaching out to few places if interested or donation to Habitat for Humanity. Motion by Eric seconded by Linda for authorization to remove the tables from church. Motion passed.

XI: Comments for the good of the order: None

NEXT MEETING: Monday, March 10, 2025 @ 5:30 PM

XII: Adjournment by Linda, seconded by Jeff at 6:14 PM

Lords Prayer recited.

Submitted by Sari Torstenson