

# 2023 NOVEMBER

## Lutheran Memorial Church

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Dear members, friends, and family of Lutheran Memorial:

Deep Thoughts.....**"Gratitude!"** I've learned over the years that this word, gratitude, is quite different than *'thankfulness'*. They often get used interchangeably, but *they are different*. Being thankful is a response. For example, I am overwhelmingly grateful for the generosity from many of you towards my family and I during *"Pastor Appreciation Month"* in October. Many of you expressed kind words and gestures in gifts, and they were all incredibly meaningful. This congregation has taken care of us over the years in many ways, and Carmen and I can never thank you enough—we don't have the words to express the care that many of you have shown, time-and-time again—but again, I say, **"Thank You!"**

But.....the word, **"Gratitude"**, is one that I hadn't really used often in any context until my internship year, many years ago, in Stillwater, MN. I remember Pastor Linda, the Associate Pastor, there at Our Saviors, would often say the phrase, **"Let's have an attitude of gratitude!"** She was always the optimist in the room on most everything. She had an aura of positivity, even though she had gone through many trials and tribulations in her life, as she had shared with me over the year that we worked closely together. Over the years, I have come to realize that *"Gratitude"* is less of a *feeling of response*, but rather, it is a *'disposition' we choose to have* throughout our moments in life. We can either have the disposition of never having enough—we can have the disposition of feeling defeated—we can have the disposition of whining or complaining—we can have a disposition of jealousy----the list goes on. However, an *'attitude of gratitude'*—being grateful—choosing to be grateful, is actually a disposition of trusting God, *and when*

*we trust God*, it is also an expression of faith. Martin Luther reminds us in his small catechism that when we say the words, *"Give us this day our daily bread"*, in the Lord's Prayer, that we are not just asking for 'stuff', rather, we are repeating the words that Jesus himself instructed his disciples when they asked him how to pray. So, if Jesus is telling us to ask God the Father for our daily bread, and he promises that the Father hears the words and makes the provisions, when we too say the words, then we ought to trust that God gives and will continue to give us what we need. As faithful disciples ourselves, we can express our trust in God with an **"ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE!"**

I understand this can be easier said than done these days, with inflation at its highest for many of us, and it only seems to continue to rise. But while financial times are more difficult than even just a couple years ago—as we have to negotiate, and re-negotiate our budgets and priorities—as we tighten the belts and depressingly look at the few grocery bags in our hands and wonder how so little, cost so much, I still encourage each of us to remind ourselves how blessed we truly are in comparison to most throughout the world. It starts with a shift in our attitude—a shift in our disposition. And trust me—I am writing these words to myself on a daily basis as well! **"An attitude of gratitude!"** as Pastor Linda's words echo in my memory. God never shirks on his promises to give us exactly what we need each day. Let us trust in His promise—let us have gratitude in His promise—and let us give thanks in response to what He has given, especially as the holiday of Thanksgiving itself, approaches closer by the day. Blessings to you all!

In Peace,

Pastor Craig Wexler



# Calendar

**Tuesdays 7am**—Men's Prayer Breakfast—Perkins

**Tuesdays 9:30am**—Esther Schlueter's bible study—CR

**Tuesdays 1pm**—Painters—Fellowship Hall

**Tuesdays 2pm**—Stitched with Grace – Shalom Rm

**Wednesdays 1pm**—Quilters—Shalom Rm

**Thursdays**—5:30pm "Trusting God" Book Study—Narthex

**Sundays**—5:30pm Church Choir rehearsal

**November 4, 5, 8**—All Saints Worship

**Monday, November 6**—10am-3:45pm Blood Drive—FH

**Friday, November 10**—LMC Office Closed in honor of Veterans Day

**Monday, November 13**—6:30pm Book Club—Rawlins

**Tuesday, November 14**—2pm Ruth Circle—CR

**Wednesday, November 15**—3rd graders receive bibles during worship

**Thursday, November 16**—9am-12pm Feeding South Dakota

**Monday, November 20**—2:30pm Miriam Circle

**Wednesday, November 22**—No worship/church school/confirmation

**November 23-24**—LMC Office Closed for Thanksgiving

**Saturday, November 25**—No worship

**Sunday, November 26**—No Sunday School

**Saturday, December 9**—Children's Christmas Program Practice

**Sunday, December 10**—4pm Children's Christmas Program

## Noisy Offering

November Noisy Offering will go to PARS (Pierre Area Referral Service).  
Thank you for your generosity!

## Church Records

### Funerals

Bob Schwellenbach—October 19, 2023

Charlie Olson—October 20, 2023

Jennifer Seale—October 30, 2023

Arlene Truax—November 3, 2023



## All Saints Week

Saturday, November 4 | 5:30pm

Sunday, November 5 | 9:00am

Wednesday, November 8 | 6:30pm

Worshippers will be invited to light candles  
in memory of those who have passed away

## Weekly Giving

**October 2-6**

\$4,963.00

**October 23-27**

\$4,476.00

**October 9-13**

\$5,484.00

**Oct 30-Nov 3**

\$5,729.55

**October 16-20**

\$26,266.16

## November 80+ Birthdays

Lavonne Kelly 11/9

Tom Scheinost 11/11

Nancy Cutshaw 11/16

Delvin Shroyer 11/7

Howard Schill 11/2

Ron Walker 11/11

## November Radio Sponsors

**November 5**—"Give Glory to Christ"

**November 12**—Bryan Walz and Kathy Christenson, in honor of their fathers Chuck Walz and Bernie Christenson, who served this great country with honor and pride

**November 26**—Esther Schlueter, in honor of the LMC musicians

## Attendance

**Sunday, October 29**—101

**Saturday, October 28**—64

**Wednesday, October 25**—251

**Sunday, October 22**—98

**Saturday, October 21**—59

**Wednesday, October 18**—274

**Sunday, October 15**—141

**Saturday, October 14**—69

**Wednesday, October 11**—239


**Sunday, October 8**—76

**Saturday, October 7**—76

**Wednesday, October 4**—236

**Sunday, October 1**—109

# What's Happening



## BLOOD DRIVE

CODE: PIERRELUTHERAN



Monday,  
November 6  
10:00-3:45pm  
LMC Fellowship Hall

**vitalant.**

Contact Joyce Tipton to schedule your appointment 280-4978

## LEND A HAND

**SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX  
OR CONTACT THE  
CHURCH OFFICE**

Thursday,  
November 16  
9am-noon



**EVERY BOX MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**




HOW CAN YOU MAKE  
A DIFFERENCE THIS  
CHRISTMAS SEASON?



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

- 🌲 PICK UP GIFT FLYERS FROM THE NARTHEX
- 🌲 PURCHASE ITEMS FOR A GIRL/BOY
- 🌲 PACK THEM IN A SHOEBOX AND ATTACH  
A LABEL INDICATING BOY/GIRL AND AGE  
(IF YOU WRAP YOUR BOX, WRAP COVER  
& BOX SEPARATELY FOR INSPECTION)
- 🌲 RETURN TO LMC BY NOVEMBER 13

**LEARN MORE HERE!**





JOIN US AS WE  
CELEBRATE WITH GREAT JOY  
THE  
ORDINATION  
OF  
**Tami Steffensen**

AS SHE HAS BEEN EQUIPPED AND CALLED TO  
SERVE AS PASTOR OF THE LYMAN COUNTY PARISH  
BY THE SUSTAINING GRACE OF GOD

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17  
5:30PM**

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
211 S FIR AVENUE, PRESNO, SD

ROSTERED MINISTERS, CANDIDATES, &  
ECUMENICAL PARTNERS ARE INVITED TO VEST  
AND PROCESS. RED IS THE COLOR OF THE DAY.

**PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US AFTER FOR A  
RECEPTION CELEBRATION  
WITH FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!**

## Operation Christmas Child

**Looking for ways to give this holiday season?** We have a wonderful opportunity for you to make a difference in the lives of kids around the planet. Check out the information below on [Operation Christmas Child](#) and visit our table in the Narthex to pick up supplies! This is such a impactful ministry and the whole family can be involved in making each shoebox special.

Not sure how to pack your box? Click the QR code above! Operation Christmas Child has several videos on their web-site that explain the layout of the boxes and how they are received by those in need.



# Recent Events

## 3 year old Prayer Pillows



All 3 year olds were welcomed up front on Sunday, October 15 and Wednesday, October 18 to receive their prayer pillows. This is their very first Stepping Stone here at LMC! If your child wasn't able to get theirs that day, please contact the office or stop by and we will make sure they get one! Each pillow pocket is filled with prayers for them to read at home with their families. Thank you to "Stitched with Grace" quilters for making these pillows each year for these sweet kiddos!



## Filler Fabrics Needed

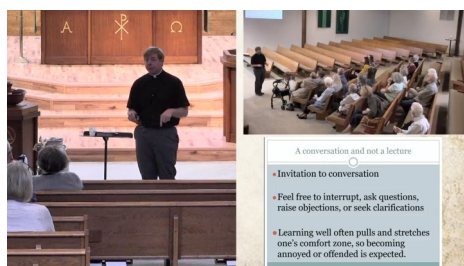
The Wednesday quilters are in need of filler fabrics for their quilts — blankets, bedspreads, mattress pads or flannel sheets work great! If you have any of these items on hand and are willing to donate, drop them off at LMC during office hours. *Pictured: Marta Neuman*

## "Reformed by the Reformer"

In September, Luther House of Study began an adult education series on Sunday mornings. This class on Martin Luther continued in October with Pastor Craig wraps up on November 5.

Thank you to Reverend Dr. Chris Croghan, Reverend Lars Olson, and Reverend Sarah Stenson for joining us at LMC and leading this class.

For those who could not join in, visit: <https://lutheranmemorial.org/bible-studies> to view each session. Audio is also available on our LMC Podcast.





## Feeding SD–October 19

Thank you to all who participated in the October Feeding South Dakota service project. This great group turned in an awesome performance packing 750 boxes of dry and frozen products for central South Dakota families! All accomplished in a beneficial three-hour session!

If you'd like to sign up for our November 16 date, contact the church office at 224-8608 or sign up in the Narthex.





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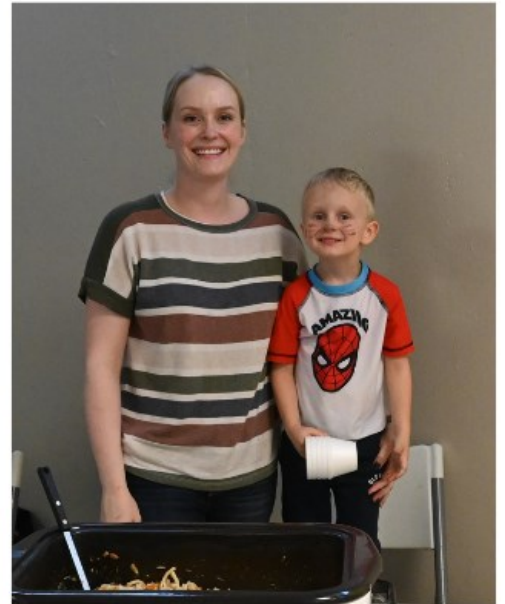
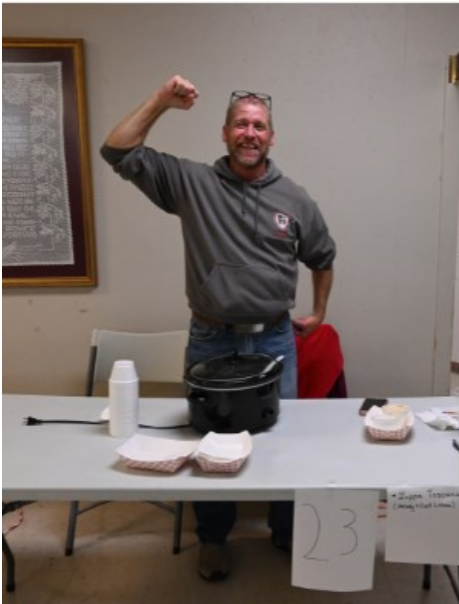
Congratulations to our  
SOUP WINNERS!

**1st Place:** Chris Stanley — Rib Chili

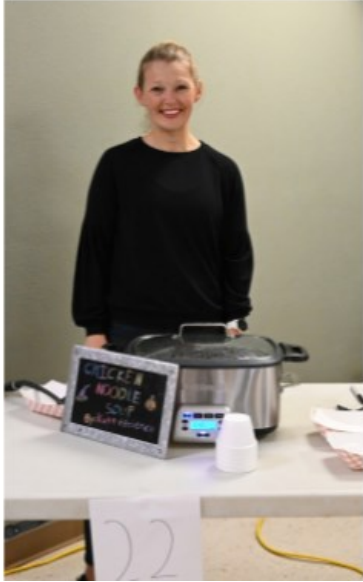
**2nd Place:** Blake & Ashley Severyn —  
Chicken Noodle

**3rd Place:** Elizabeth Schofield —  
Chicken Ranch Gnoch

Thank you to everyone who provided  
a soup!! With your support, Youth  
Group earned \$1680 toward their  
2024 Mission Trip to Logan County,  
WV next summer!











## YOUTH GROUP FLOCKING FUNDRAISER



Will you be the next target for the **Pink Flamingos!?!?**  
Youth Group is selling insurance to protect your lawn,  
before/after worship!

1 week coverage=\$10 | Full term insurance = \$50  
OR flock a friend's yard = \$50

## WREATHS

LMC YOUTH GROUP  
IS SELLING WREATHS  
THROUGH **NOVEMBER 15**

**PLACE YOUR ORDER**

[my.evergreenindustries.com/  
product-category/friends-and-family/](https://my.evergreenindustries.com/product-category/friends-and-family/)

**CODE: LUTHME**

ALL ORDERS WILL BE SHIPPED DIRECTLY TO YOU  
AND WILL ARRIVE NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 7



### Wreath Sales

One way to make your home feel cozy is by  
purchasing a Christmas wreath!

\$10 per order will go straight to Youth  
Group to support their 2024 mission trip.

\*Wreath profits will be divided equally  
among the YG kids unless otherwise speci-  
fied on your online order form. **Be sure to  
use the code: LUTHME when ordering.**





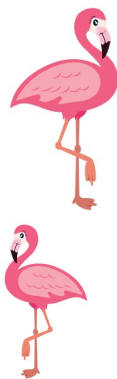
## Youth Group serves the Community Banquet–October 12



## Youth Group joins with Confirmation Class for Fun Night–October 25



Sweetmans were flocked in October–  
- is your lawn next?! If you haven't purchased  
flock insurance from someone in Youth Group, you  
could be at risk for your lawn looking like this one!





# STAY CONNECTED



LMC Facebook & Instagram



LMC Youth Group Instagram



LMC Podcasts

## Online Offering

We appreciate all of your support! Please visit our website and click the "GIVE" button on the upper right corner. You can also scan the QR code below to access online giving with Lutheran Memorial. These donations can be set up as a one-time payment or recurring—whichever works best for you and your family. Thank you!



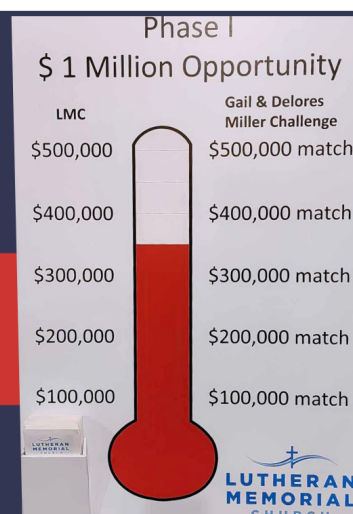
## Phase I/II

**WE'VE RAISED OVER \$300,000!**

### RESULTS:

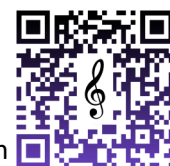
- Received \$200,000+ in matching grants
- Retired \$400,000+ of debt

**DONATE TO PHASE I/II HERE! >>>**



## Worship and Music

We are scoping out talent here at LMC and would love to add more members to both our church choir and youth choir. Scan the QR code below and complete the VERY SHORT survey online. This will give Rodd an idea of how often you'd like to help out, musically, and in what area. Extra copies are available in the Narthex on the welcome table. Thank you!



# — Gather at LMC —

## SUNDAYS

9:00AM WORSHIP  
10AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

## WEDNESDAYS

5:45PM WEDNESDAY SCHOOL  
6:30PM WORSHIP  
7:15PM CONFIRMATION  
8:00PM YOUTH GROUP

## SATURDAYS

5:30PM WORSHIP

**+LIVESTREAM "LMCPIERRE" ON FACEBOOK - SUNDAYS 9AM (+1060AM AND 103.1FM)**

## LMC T-shirt Orders

If you placed an order for an LMC shirt, THEY HAVE ARRIVED!! Stop by the church office to pick yours up.



### LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GIVE?

## SPONSOR A RADIO BROADCAST

IN MEMORY OR IN HONOR OF A LOVED ONE

### CONTACT

[INFO@LUTHERANMEMORIAL.ORG](mailto:INFO@LUTHERANMEMORIAL.ORG) | 605.224.8608

[LUTHERANMEMORIAL.ORG/SERVE-AT-LMC](http://LUTHERANMEMORIAL.ORG/SERVE-AT-LMC)

TO SPONSOR A SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE



## Radio Broadcast Openings

November 19; December 3, 10, 31—  
Contact the church office if you'd like to sponsor one of these!

## Outreach Governor Grocery

We've got a great opportunity for you to help kids in our community. In the elementary grades, students with limited access to nutrition over the weekend are sent home with bags of food to supplement their needs. GMMS began "Governor Grocery" to continue this effort at the middle school level. If you would like to donate, please swing through the Narthex and check out the Gov box with the list of food ideas. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our local kids!!

### Learn more:

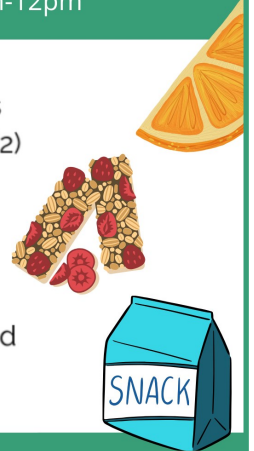
[lutheranmemorial.org/govgrocery](http://lutheranmemorial.org/govgrocery)



## Governor Grocery

Donations can be dropped off in the Narthex or when you come to worship -- look for the Gov box!  
Monday-Thursday 8am-4pm,  
Friday 9am-12pm

Governor Grocery is a student pantry program hosted at Georgia Morse Middle School. Students will be able to pick out (2) breakfasts (2) lunches, (2) suppers, and extra drinks and snacks for the weekend. This program was created in order to help students who have food shortages at home. Students will be able to come down on Friday afternoons during their study hall or extra time and pick out their own items to take home for the weekend. - **GMMS**



## Blessing Box

If you are heading to the store, toss a few more non-perishable items on your list and drop them off at LMC during office hours (Mon-Thurs 8am-4pm, Fri 9am-12pm) or when you come to worship on Saturdays/Sundays. Thank you for supporting this much needed ministry in our community!

**Ideas:** instant potatoes, canned foods, tuna, baby formula, toiletries, oatmeal, cereal, pasta, spaghetti sauce, granola bars, peanut butter, dried fruit, instant rice, pancake mix, hamburger/tuna helper, etc.

**Cold weather is HERE—keep in mind the items that will handle the cold.**





# Lutheran Memorial Council Minutes | October 17, 2023

Senior Pastor Craig Wexler  
Marcie Long, President  
Doug Hofer, Trustees  
Kim Farries, Member at-large

Bryan Walz, Past President  
Dan Swartos, Vice President  
Kelly Nelson, Treasurer  
Jay Vogt, Member at-large

Absent: Todd Bernhard, Andrea Clarke

Meeting Called to Order by President Long at 7:04 p.m. Prayer was led by Pastor Craig.

Motion made by Dan Swartos to approve the consent agenda. Second by Brian Walz. Discussion was presented by Kelly Nelson by way of an update on the financials of the Church. LMC is at 75% of the budget for the year, and in general, expenses are down. There are three items that will be a significant impact on the budget for the remainder of the year: 1) the addition of Rodd Bauck's salary, 2) the expectation of an increase in the MDU invoices, and 3) the expense of new property insurance as our current insurance policy will be cancelled December 31, 2023.

Motion to approve consent agenda carried unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes electronically on 10-24-23 made by Marcie Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kelly Nelson; motion carried.

## **Discussion Items**

- Trustees -- Doug Hofer
  - The building permit parking variance is being managed by Slade Weller. He is still working diligently on the process and is optimistic that the city of Pierre will return a positive result. There is a lot of information being supplied for the application.
  - The property insurance claim settlement has been received in the amount of roughly \$309,000. There is a holdback amount of about \$22,000 that we should be able to recover. There is a 1-year time limit to recover any hold back amount. A separate account has been established to keep all the insurance proceeds accounted for by the Church.
  - Our property insurance has been cancelled by the carrier effective December 31, 2023. Trustees are getting quotes from Fischer Rounds agent, Mike Hoffmeister. There is a lot of information being asked for and supplied to facilitate a successful negotiation. Expect a new policy premium to be at least double the existing policy, and the deductible will also probably increase based on a percentage of the value of the property and liability.
  - Trustees will get facts to the Council on the Youth House next month.
  - Dave and Lisa Neuharth are now renting the parsonage. They will now pay for all utilities, removing the Church from any of the billings. Some repairs need to be made and there is yard work that needs to be done next spring.
- Youth Team -- Marcie Long
  - Off to a busy start with the new year. Fall Festival is next week (Sunday). Fundraisers are being organized and the Youth Group is growing!
  - The Banquet was served last week (only 187 meals). The weather made attendance quite low and there were many left-overs — hope to use at the Church.
  - Children, Youth and Family will have a Christmas tree at the Capital this year.

- Pastor Craig's Report
  - Church life is busy with many baptisms, weddings, and funerals. Sunday service is growing, Wednesday service is full, and Saturday service is steady.
  - Staff evaluations have gone out. Pastor Craig will evaluate in November.
  - The Church trip to Israel has been cancelled due to the conflict that has developed in Israel/Palestine.
  - A Project Manager is **needed** for the building project. Phase I and Phase II are done. We have entered Phase III. Need strong leadership to see our vision fulfilled.
  - Synod update from Bishops Eaton and Constanza emphasized preparation for the future to shape our theology. All Region 3 rostered leaders were invited to a recorded webinar on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> and there was some disappointment that no conversation was truly held.
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### **Old Business**

- Youth House – see Trustee's report.
- The Nominating Committee met the week of Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> and will meet again on Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. Progress is being made, and there are many great names proposed for the upcoming vacancies. Those vacancies are one Trustee and one Council member.
- Building Permit – see Trustee's report.

### **New Business**

- Revised Constitution – Discussion about increasing the number of at-large Council members from three to five. Probably OK for just a Council change, but we need to be careful about amending the Constitution. There may be repercussions that would force change to other parts of the Constitution, which could be problematic. Remember: need 60-day notice to the congregation for a constitutional amendment. Also, need to have notice for the Resolution of the Statement of Faith.
- Insurance Policy – see Trustee's report.
- 2024 Budget – Kelly Nelson and Beth Leidholt are going to be starting the work for the new year's budget. If a balanced budget is not a reality, the Council will support and stand behind an actual real budget that Kelly and Beth develop.
- 2024 Staff Compensation Package – The 2023 comp package was a 5% raise, 3% bonus, and a retirement contribution was started for staff. We need to start thinking about what the compensation should be next year. There needs to be good discussion at the November meeting to establish the compensation package. Approval needs to be given at the December meeting.

### **Other Business** – none

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Kelly Nelson, second by Kim Farries; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Farries

Acting Secretary

# Lutheran Memorial Trustees Minutes | October 17, 2023

Members Present: Slade Weller, Lindsay Rounds, Doug Hofer, Matt Brakke, Marne Dooley, Wayne Winter, Jeri Wilcox  
(Those absent- Jeremy Mikkelsen, Danette Cronin)

Others present: Pastor Craig Wexler, Warren White, Beth Leidholt

Meeting called to order by Co-chairman Wayne Winter at 5:32 pm

September Minutes: **Motion by Matt Brakke/2nd Slade Weller to approve minutes. Motion carried.**

## Financial Report:

- September month ending balance: \$123,356
- September Weekly offering down 8.26% from budgeted/YTD down 8.68% from budgeted
- Income VS Expense for September \$21,778.21/YTD \$46,599.07
- Arkansas funds \$21,785.81 significantly helped this cash flow
- Expenses were down in September
- Beth requested to wait until December before transferring money to the Long-Term Maintenance Fund

## Tudor Report:

- 7 apartments rented; 1 apartment is still being repaired
- Mills will be paying property taxes this month

## OLD BUSINESS

### Building Variance Application:

- Slade made initial contact with city, making plan to submit application for the variance to the city at their next meeting.

### Insurance claims:

- Kalwall- Insurance will pay the estimated repair costs. Check pending.
- Gutters- ABC bid to replace \$972 (insurance \$549) **It is proposed to talk with Church Mutual about new bid and request approval. Will talk to John Kist about inspecting sewer vents and Matt Northrup about installing snow guards before gutters are repaired.**
- Roofs - Ministry House- no adjustment (**Matt will ask Dakota Storm to reassess roof**, LMC will submit to insurance if damaged)
  - Parsonage- bid \$16,265 proceed for sure; \$11,854 replacement cost
  - Youth House- bid house \$8,000/garage \$4,100

### Gravel (Tudor):

- B. Beck has LMC schedule to be done before snow.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Insurance Carrier:

- Church Mutual Insurance has notified LMC of cancellation of all policies effective 12-31-23
- Seeking property insurance bids from Fischer Rounds
- Doug compiled an LMC properties information sheet for reference
- Discussion was held on the realities of insurance in the Midwest and in today's economy
- No action



#### **Fire Alarm Monitoring System Contract Proposal for the elevator:**

- Frequently receiving false alarm alerts- **Slade will call ABC and elevator company, Kone Care, to reach a resolution to the problem**
- Deferred until more information is obtained

#### **Parsonage Rental:**

- Previous renter moved out Oct 3; Doug inspected Oct 3. Numerous concerns were noted
- **Motion by Marne Dooley/2nd Matt Brakke to retain the full deposit from previous renter to make repairs and pay for cleaning.**
- Need to repair holes in the yard/reseed yard/ replace screen door
- Back door landing not addressed
- All Renters are responsible for utilities (LMC is billed and pays for utility expenses at rentals, LMC then bills each renter for reimbursement of those expenses.)

#### **Snow Contract:**

- Mills is now responsible for snow removal at the Tudor building. **Wayne will discuss with Mills on who they use.**

#### **Youth House:**

- As Trustees were charged by the council to handle the disposition of Youth House, discussion was held at length on what to do with this property
- It was agreed that FACTS and ESTIMATES are needed to make an informed decision
  - consult a realtor to determine realistic value of the house and is it sellable? **(Lindsay will make a realtor contact)**
  - cost to remove structure? Any interest? **(Doug will contact Steph Judson to gather names of possible interested parties from previous inquiries)** May contact Mayberry to determine removal costs. **Slade will check with Becks on cost to remove house.**
  - What costs remain once the lot is vacant?
- Defer to next meeting after information is gathered.

#### **Warren's report**

- Attempting to locate keys for parsonage for the new renters. May need to change locks.
- Chase will be patching the crack in the fiberglass cowl of the church roof- \$600

#### **Motion to adjourn Marne Dooley/ 2nd Slade Weller. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Next meeting November 21, 2023 at 5:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeri Wilcox

# November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>29</b> 9am Worship 10am Sunday School 10am "Reformed by the Reformer" 5:30pm Church Choir rehearsal	<b>30</b> 5:15-6:30pm Bell Choir	<b>31</b> 7am Men's Prayer Break-fast—Perkins 9:30am Esther's Bible Study—CR 1pm Painters—FH 2pm Stitched with Grace—SR	<b>November 1</b> 1pm Quilters 5:45pm Wed School 6:30pm Worship 7:15pm Confirmation 8pm Youth Group	<b>2</b> 5:30pm "Trusting God" Book Study—Narthex	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 5:30pm Worship
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## Worship Schedule

**Sundays** 9:00am (+livestream, 1060 AM, 103.1 FM)  
**Wednesdays**—6:30pm  
**Saturdays** at 5:30pm  
**Holy Communion**  
Celebrated on the first and third Sat/Sun/Wed

## Children | Youth | Family (Sept-May)

**Sunday School**—Sundays at 10am  
**Wednesday School**—5:45-6:30pm preschool-5th grade  
**Confirmation**—7:15pm on Wednesdays  
**Youth Group**—8:00pm on Wednesdays

## Office Hours

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