

St. John's Lutheran Church Council Minutes – May 14, 2025

The church council met May 14, 2025. Those in attendance were Keith Cornish, Heather Roeske, Amanda Pfenninger, Pat Graham, Travis Lee, Cynthia Barnhill, and Steve Paulsgrove.

Keith Cornish, president, opened the meeting with prayer at 6:03 PM.

The minutes from the April 10, 2025 Regular meeting, the April 14, 2025 Special meeting, and the April 22, 2025 Special meeting were reviewed. Steve moved all the minutes be accepted as written; Heather seconded the motion; the motion passed. The April 30, 2025 treasurer's report was reviewed. Heather moved the treasurer's report be accepted; Travis seconded the motion; the motion passed. The June calendar was reviewed. Additions and changes were made to the June calendar; added Confirmation & Reception-June 8th and Potluck Lunch-June 29th.

Committee Reports

- **Building and Grounds** – Steve reported the electrical contract is good until August 31, 2026. Pat stated a speaker and sound system is needed in the Fellowship Hall for the April 2026 WNALC district conference being hosted by St. John's Women's Unity. She also stated Lissa Knetig, our organist, requested council look into connecting the electric keyboard to the Fellowship Hall.
- **Altar Guild** - No report.
- **Women's Unity** - Pat Graham reported \$632.58 was donated by the Congregation during the month of April to Water Mission. Each Circle is donating their May offerings to VBS. We donated \$100 to the WNALC Mission Fund and \$100 to the WNALC General Fund. At the June 29th Potluck, the women will recognize the four Confirmands at Honor's Day.
- **Cemetery** – Pat Graham reported 86 Veteran Flags were placed at veteran graves in our cemetery the last week in April. The cemetery was mowed before Easter Sunday. The Cemetery Committee completed their proposed changes to the Cemetery By-Laws for the Council's consideration and approval. They were attached in this month's meeting packet for Council to review.
- **Call Committee** – No report.
- **Sunday School, Confirmation** – Confirmation classes have been completed. June 8th is Confirmation Day with a reception to follow church services. There will be cake, cookies, punch and a gift for the four Confirmands.
- **Worship Committee** – The Service Leader Rotation schedule was reviewed. Steve will lead the July 13th service. Polka Sunday with Potluck sausage Luncheon is scheduled for July 27th.

Old Business

- **Pastor Plaque** – Amanda will check on the progress.
- **Skunk Removal** – Ongoing.
- **Mother's Day BBQ** - Went well. Proceeds will be donated to Mt. Moriah Church.

New Business

- **Special Congregational Meeting** – May 18, 2025 – Held for the Congregation to vote FOR or AGAINST the approval of Mark Stroman entering the NALC Seminary School "Ordination Under Special Circumstances". There was a brief discussion on the voting process.

With no further business, Heather moved to adjourn the meeting; Amanda seconded the motion; the motion passed. 7:29 PM. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, *Patricia Graham*, Secretary