

Trinity Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2023

Mission: Trinity Lutheran is a place to gather, refresh the faithful, and reach out with word and service to all others through the Holy Gospel

Guiding Principles

1. *God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*
2. *Preach and teach the Good News to everyone*
3. *Witness your faith through actions and words*
4. *Accept and welcome all people*

Goals for 2023:

1. *Address HVAC needs for church community.*
2. *Council Orientation Plan.*
3. *Facilitate Succession Planning.*

- I.) **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Jerry Armbrust. Also present: Karissa Armbrust, Sierra Armbrust, Kirsten Floyd, Gary Jantzen, Pastor Meggan Manlove, Dean Metzger, Carl Radke, David Sheriff, Sandy Blom. Absent: Edith Hannett. A quorum (6) was met.
- II.) **Opening Devotions** – Carl led Devotions Chapter 2 from Called by God to Serve. Broke into small groups and answered 3 questions from the end of Chapter 2 and shared out the results.
- III.) **Approve April Agenda** – Added an update to agenda and Jerry moved that the agenda be approved as amended; Carl seconded; motion carried.
- IV.) **Approve March Minutes** – Kirsten moved to approve March Minutes and Sierra Seconded. Motion passed.
- V.) **Review and Approve Treasurer’s Report** – Karissa presented the financials, explaining the various accounts and documents. Dean moved the March Treasurer report be approved; Jerry seconded; motion carried.
- VI.) **Pastor and Team Reports** – Received reports from Gospel and Growth, Stewardship and Hospitality. Also included was a report on church architectural design by David Sheriff regarding heating and cooling of the building.
- VII.) **Trinity New Hope** – Had an executive committee meeting to address a number of issues that are presenting themselves within the community. Working with vendors that are supporting the community and are receiving good support from those support organizations to help with transitions occurring within the operations.
- VIII.) **Council Goals-**
 1. HVAC needs
 2. Succession Planning
- IX.) **Old Business** –

a. Heat Pumps – Discussed bill for Heat Pump 2 to get it running and were able to get it running. David Sheriff did some extensive research into the church design and how it was built to try and get to the point that to heat it would be minimal cost. Discussion around potential going forward paths revolved around reviewing architect design focus and making sure that it functions as designed. The research suggests that we can be more effective and efficient with the utilization of our systems once fixed.

b. Midyear Fundraiser – Got confirmation on Goal number of \$6000. Have received a couple of checks already submitted for seed money. Have the opportunity to match funds through Idaho Gives. Plus, once \$5500 level is received, the final match is unlocked to get us to the final goal. Challenges were discussed within the council to encourage giving either via online or checks. Request was made that if giving is by check, please submit prior to the first week of May.

c. Council Potluck at Floyds' May 21 at 4:30pm

d. Ministry Initiatives - Held a meeting to discuss progress on previous initiatives.

e. Follow up on filling nominating Committee – Tammy Torrey will be joining the nominating Committee for 2023.

X.) **New Business** –

a. Audit – Reviewed audit committee report and discussed suggestions made by the team. They did a great job outlining the work that has been done over the last couple of years. The council discussed the request for upgrading the software program. Update from Karissa is that she has set things up with the base program version to where she is able to create the forms quickly, however the council agreed to include the upgrade as a budget request in the new year.

XI.) **Lord's Prayer** –

XII.) **Adjournment** - Jerry moved and Kirsten seconded that the meeting be adjourned; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned by Jerry at 8:26 pm