

# Council Meeting Monday, September 19, 2022

Call to Order: 6:30 pm by Mackenthun

**Establish a quorum/present**: Pastor Alicia, Pastor Ben, Mackenthun, Steinhoff Smith, Nybo, Hauck, Newman, Schoenecker, Smithson, and Walser

**Devotion** by Pastor Alicia

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda by Steinhoff Smith, second Walser, motion passed

## Churchwide Assembly (Luke Friendshuh)

- Luke represented HTLC at the Churchwide Assembly last month
- Attendees were very vocal about improving diversity, inclusivity, social justice, and equity within the Lutheran Church and around the world
- The main takeaway from the meeting was directing the Churchwide Council to
  establish a commission for a Renewed Lutheran Church; All statements of purpose
  and principles of its organizational structure would be reconsidered, and findings and
  recommendations would be presented to the 2025 Churchwide Assembly in
  preparation for a possible reconstituting convention

### **Treasurer's Report and Finance Team Update**

Financial Health as of August 31, 2022	August 2022 Budget	August 2022 Actual
Revenue	\$61,831	\$56,839
Expenses	\$55,722	\$66,951
Revenue - Expenses	\$6,109	-\$10,112

#### **Pastor Ben's Report**

- Kickoff week worship attendance was highest it has been in several years
- Brenda Moore & Associates has been signed as our Capital Campaign consultant
- Make it Grand Team met with two architects and are meeting with one other soon

#### Pastor Alicia's Report

- Updated spaces for Children Youth and Family:
  - The Agape room back storage closet was converted to an arts and crafts closet

- The former Crew Time locker room is now the Agape foyer; The Agape Room furniture was rearranged to support group conversations
- o Furniture in the Luther Library was replaced with air hockey and foosball tables

**Discussion Topic:** What is your high/low from today/this past week and/or any prayer requests?

Closing Prayer: Pastor Alicia

Motion to Adjourn: 7:28 pm by Newman, second Smithson, motion passed

Next meeting: October 17, 2022 at 6:30 pm