



**Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 21, 2025**

Call to Order: 6:32 pm

Establish a quorum/present: Lindsey Cornell, Sharon Steinhoff Smith, Dan Bishop, Dan Jacobson, Debbie Church, Brian Gieseke, Laura Magnuson, Kate Kienow

Devotion by Dan Jacobson

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda and September Meeting Minutes by Steinhoff-Smith, second by Gieseke. Motion approved.

CYF Programs:

Kate Kienow provided an update on the CYF Programs and Faith Milestones, including 175 children from preschool through 12th grade. Highlights are:

- Vacation Bible School was held evenings for 3 nights in 2025. There were 43 participants and 43 volunteers supporting the program.
- Holy Trinity sent 5 participants, (1 staff and 4 students) to Luther Crest Bible Camp this year.
- The 2025 Mission trip to Lake Traverse Reservation in South Dakota.
- AGAPE participants are involved in service and giving back programs as well as worship helpers.

President's Report:

Mission Outreach Committee proposes a \$1000 allocation for Prairie Pointe housing in Shakopee to sponsor a promotion opportunity. Prairie Pointe will create affordable homes for families in Scott and Carver counties who are experiencing housing insecurity, offering them the stability of a home where parents and children can flourish. The Essentials:

- Up to 42 high-quality, professionally managed apartment homes
- Affordable homes for families – some of whom make less than \$35,000 a year
- Individualized on-site support services that help families thrive
- Construction is anticipated to begin in spring of 2024

Motion to Approve to Request by Mission Outreach Committee by Bishop, second by Jacobson. Motion approved.

Treasurer Report: Next Campaign Pledges:

- 2023 Pledges Received: \$42,700
- 2024 Pledges Received: \$715,725
- 2024 Unpledged Received: \$241,651

- 2025 Pledges Received: \$247,265
- Total Received: \$1,005,690

PLEDGES as of September 30, 2025	NEXT Campaign 2024 thru 2026
Total Pledged	\$1,252,399
Total Received	\$1,005,690
Remaining Pledges	\$246,709

Unpledged Gifts \$241,651
 Organ & Chairs - \$196,000

 Remaining Gifts = \$45,651

 Land Proceeds + \$84,000
 Total Add'l Funds = \$129,651

Finances as of September 30, 2025	September Budget	September Actual
Revenue	\$51,823	\$55,658
Expenses	\$52,333	\$51,461
Revenue - Expenses	-\$510	\$4,197

YTD Finances as of September 30, 2025	Year-To-Date Budget	Year-To-Date Actual
YTD Revenue	\$508,497	\$492,384
YTD Expenses	\$507,041	\$502,147
YTD Revenue - Expenses	\$1,456	-\$9,763

MOTION to approve the Treasurer's Report by Church, seconded by Steinhoff-Smith.
 Motion approved.

Old Business:

- Reconciliation in Christ RIC activity is on hold until a new pastor is called.
- Synod Toolkit
- Road Update - The project is nearing completion with final yard grading. Email update provided after the October Church Council Meeting: George and Joan Winn have provided their \$350,000 donation to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church designated to the Road project on Oct 30, as the road has been completed. The funds were deposited into the NEXT account.
- Transition Committee is well underway. Over 40 responses have been collected from adults, and 50 from kids. There are several other opportunities to collect feedback via live sessions, zoom and on-line until Nov 8. Council member input was solicited during the meeting.

New Business:

- Interim Pastor Kjell Ferris – Nov 10-11 dates available to meet.
- Continuation of Committees during the interim
- Council and Committee Nominations

Communicate to members that any member questions/concern can be sent to council email for reply.

Closing Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

Motion to Adjourn by Steinhoff-Smith, second by Church. Motion approved

Adjournment of Meeting: 8:32 pm

Next Council Meeting: November 18 @ 6:30