

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH
VOTERS MEETING MINUTES – February 23, 2025**

Chairman, Jamey Backus, called the meeting to order, meeting was opened with a prayer, 41 members signed the roster.

MOTION by Robert Schriefer to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the November 2024 Voter's Meeting, seconded by Jonathan Schlender, motion carried.

Agenda presented via PowerPoint.

OLD BUSINESS: no updates

TREASURER'S AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT – Presented by Jamey on PowerPoint. A copy of the PowerPoint is attached.

2024 Year End

	Budgeted	Spend
Elders	\$ \$127,277	\$113,702
Trustees	\$77,192	\$76,961
Education	\$3,800	\$4,419
Evangelism	\$ 2,500	\$2,262
Stewardship	\$ 150	\$988
Finance	\$ 600	\$748
Council	\$600	\$381
Total	\$212,419	\$199,959

Current Balances-Balances as of 2/21/25

Checking	\$ 102,530
Savings	\$170,622
Building Fund	\$ 78,278
Music Fund	\$2,178
Thrivent	\$ 22,426
Sunday School	\$2,138
Endowment Interest	\$2,217

MOTION by Richard Simenson to accept financial reports as presented, seconded by Ray Sorge, motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

LAY MINISTRY – Jonathan Schlender – no updates

EVANGELISM – Vacant

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Terence Schmidt

- Shared recent personal story of rural community Pastor's dedication. Spoke of importance/gratitude of teacher's role in inspiring youth

LYF – Anne Rosenow

- Youth group meeting in March, would like to lock in fundraisers.
- Would like to bring back the basket silent auction

- Preparing for National Youth Gathering this summer, next convention will be in 3 years

STEWARDSHIP – Vacant

CHURCH PROPERTIES – Richard Simenson

- Parsonage completed. Thank you to those who helped in this process.
- Hot water heater in parsonage needed heating element replaced about a month ago
- Group came in November to work on the roof. They repaired the worst part on the west side by the window, said they would come back to repair the rest of the needed repairs. Partial payment sent, once repair fully completed, full payment will be sent. Warranty of 1 year from completion of repair.
- Thank you to Ray and Kevin for replacing the lighting in the bathrooms
- This summer focusing on maintenance of the parking lot. Council looking at options, potential of purchasing equipment. Would like to complete in a timely manner.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP – Nona Blaisdell

- Serving for February Voter's Meeting
- 3 Funerals since November Voter's Meeting
- Served 1 Advent brunch for our student
- 3 soup and sandwich meals for Advent
- Lenten services coming up, starting with Ash Wednesday, Group 1 to serve first
- LWML will be hosting the LWML Zone Spring Rally. Will occur sometime at the end of April beginning of May

PUBLIC RELATIONS – Ray Sorge

- Thank you extended for the generosity of the Angel Tree
- Thanks extended to Connie for her help with the Angel Tree
- Advertising in place for Lenten Services

MOTION by Kevin Herrmann to approve the director's reports as presented, seconded by Howard Winkler, motion carried.

STATE OF PARISH REPORT – Pastor Heller – see attached report for details.

- Thank you to Nona for the turnovers
- Thank you to Richard, Kevin, Jamey, and other's that assisted to get this completed.
- Appreciation expressed for taking care of the parsonage.
- Update that there will be one office for the LCMS District in Fargo, ND at Beautiful Savior

NEW BUSINESS

- Looking into purchasing more aluminum tables, as they are easier to move. Price is anywhere \$800-\$1,000 per table.
- Jamey and Pastor attended the ND District Convention in January. We have a new District President.

MOTION by Robert Schriefer to adjourn meeting, seconded by Jonathan Schlender, closed with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany Sommerer, Secretary