

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – April 8, 2026**

Jamey Backus called the meeting to order. Pastor opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present: Pastor Heller, Jamey Backus, Ray Sorge, Kevin Herrmann, Terence Schmidt, Tiffany Sommerer, Richard Simenson, Lonny Buchmann

Absent: Anne Rosenow, Nona Blaisdell, Joslyn Frey, Jonathan Schlender

MOTION by Terence to approve and dispense the reading of the December 4, 2025 council minutes, seconded by Richard, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Discussion on tables. Company still has not reached out about picking them up. Will most likely get to keep.
- Sound system. Updates in progress.
- Dale Schwabe has done snow removal for past few years. No bill received. Discussion by council on appreciation of work, diligence on snow removal, cost of fuel etc.

MOTION by Kevin to provide Dale Schwabe with \$1,000 in appreciation for snow removal, seconded by Ray, motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT** – Joslyn Frey – absent – report received

Building Fund \$84,447.61, Sunday School \$2,138.02, LYF \$2,318.50, Music Fund \$2,178.00, Memorial/Misc \$64,964.72, Endowment Interest \$2,216.95, Thrivent \$21,265.39, Savings \$180,457.39, Checking \$151,484.75

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT** – Lonny Buchmann as of 04/05/2026

Income	YTD	Budget to Date	\$60,147.78
General Fund	\$102,661.93	Income to Date	\$110,913.69
Loose Offering	\$2,747.00	Short/over to Date	\$50,765.91
Electronic Offering	\$3,605.76	Short/over per Week	\$3,626.14
Missions	\$0.00	Building Fund	\$2,760.00
Misc	\$1,899.00	Memorial Fund	\$1,420.25
TOTAL	\$110,913.69	Music Fund	\$0.00
		Sunday School	\$0.00
		Miscellaneous	\$0.00
		Thrivent	\$1,122.00
		Endowment Fund	\$0.00
		Total General Savings	\$5,302.25

MOTION by Kevin to accept the financial reports, seconded by Ray, motion carried.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORTS:**

**LAY MINISTRY** – Jonathan Schlender – absent

- Working on contacting members that are out of town, difficulty contacting some individuals, granted a number of releases

**EVANGELISM** – Vacant – no updates

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Terence Schmidt**

- Someone approached him stating that they would be interested in leading a Vacation Bible School this summer. Will be announced in bulletin, if there is enough interest, will move forward with planning. Encouraged to contact Terence if interested.

**LYF – Anne Rosenow – absent**

**STEWARDSHIP – Vacant – no updates**

**CHURCH PROPERTIES – Richard Simenson**

- Stove was malfunctioning at parsonage. Terence had replaced the element in the oven within the last year. Moved forward with purchase of new stove at Lowes. Cost \$884.35.
- Faucet in the shower in the main bathroom in parsonage leaking, very corroded. Harlen Wagner repaired, valve and everything replaced. Dave Gar repaired sheet rock and added an access panel.
- Hot water heater in parsonage. Heating elements replaced about a year ago. Small leak observed when doing repairs. Discussed process on replacement, as it should have a lifetime warranty.
- Going to be working on parking lot maintenance.
- Church roof repairs in progress, Kevin noticed that a shingle came off so nailed it back down and applied caulk
- Light bulb needed replacement, Kevin took care of this
- Lawn mower. Oil needs to be changed this spring

**PARISH FELLOWSHIP – Nona Blaisdell – absent**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS – Ray Sorge – no updates**

MOTION by Kevin to accept director's reports, seconded by Ray, motion carried.

**STATE OF PARISH – Pastor Heller – no updates**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Kevin brought up discussion on reviewing bylaws.
- Confirmation will occur on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Next meeting May 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm.

Meeting adjourned by Kevin, seconded by Ray, closed with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany Sommerer

Secretary

Attachment: Plan of Action Items