St. Paul Lutheran Church

**CONGREGATION MEETING MINUTES • December 2, 2024**

**Call to Order**: President Tom Splittgerber called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

**Opening Prayer**: Pastor Kyle Backhaus

**Secretary’s Report - Minutes of October 22, 2024 Congregation Meeting**: *A motion was made by Margaret Hand and seconded by Faye Risse to approve the Secretary’s Report from the October 22, 2024 Congregation Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

**October 2024 Treasurer’s Report**: Donna Felch presented the financial reports. Four months into the year we have a deficit of $54,182. Giving is almost exactly the same as last year at this time. There is nothing unusual to report. *A motion was made by Dave DePagter and seconded by Steve Backhaus to approve the October 2024 Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.*

**Columbarium:**

The Columbarium Team made several presentations prior to this meeting regarding the project. The church will borrow $195,000 to complete the project. This will then be paid back to the church through the niche sales. In the end, it will cost nothing to the church and will produce a surplus in funds. Discussion was held.

*A motion was made by Bonnie Jones and seconded by Gail Brack to approve the columbarium project funding as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Congregation Concerns**:

None

**Adjournment:** *A motion was made by Faye Risse and seconded by Dave Dassow to adjourn the Congregation Meeting at 7:24 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Closing Prayer**: Pastor Kyle Backhaus

Attendance: 53