



Church Council Agenda

Thursday, January 17, 2019 7:00 AM

Jim Langel (2019) - President
Marie Prachar (2019) - Vice-President

Katy Clapham (2020)
Charisse Folken (2020) - Treasurer
Gordie Sorensen (2020) - Secretary

Brian Burkhardt (2021)
Gary Jones (2021)
Nate Schmidt (2021)
Pastor Paul Svingen, Interim

- 1) **Call to Order:** Jim Langel
- 2) **Mission and Vision Statements:** Jim Langel
 - a) *"Inviting and equipping people of all ages to be and become disciples of Jesus Christ"*
 - b) *"Living and sharing a life changing and passionate faith in Jesus Christ."*
- 3) **Adoption of Agenda:** Jim Langel
- 4) **Devotion and Prayer:** Charisse Folken
- 5) **Business**
 - A. Resignation of Steve Norby (term expires 2019)
 - B. Annual Budget 2019-2020
 - C. Nominations Committee update
 - D. Transition Task Force update
 - E. Constitution & Bylaws Changes
 - a. Church Council Team
 - b. Transitions Needs
 - c. Ratifying the amendment made at the Special Congregation Meeting
 - F. Reports
 - a. Church Council Minutes: November 15, 2018 (*see attachment*)
 - b. Special Congregation Meeting Minutes: November 11, 2018 (*see attachment*)
 - c. Summary Financial Reports for September (*see attachment*)
 - d. Pastor's Report
- 6) **Upcoming Meeting Dates**
 - a) Monthly Church Council meeting – Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 7am
 - b) Monthly Church Council meeting – Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 7am
 - c) Monthly Church Council meeting – Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 7am
 - d) Annual Congregation meeting – Sunday, April 28, 2019 (time to be determined)
 - e) Installation of 2019-2020 Council – Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 8am and 9:30am worship services
 - f) Monthly Church Council meeting – Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 7 am
- 7) **Adjournment**
- 8) **Closing Prayer**



Church Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 15, 2018

Gary Jones * (2021)
Nate Schmidt * (2021)
Brian Burkhardt* (2021)

Jim Langel * (2019) -President
Marie Prachar *(2019) -Vice-President
Steve Norby * (2019)

Charisse Folken * (2020) -Treasurer
Katy Clapham * (2020)
Gordie Sorensen (2020) - Secretary
Pastor Paul Svingen, Interim

- 1) **Call to Order:** Jim Langel called the meeting to order at 7:04 AM with two absent. (*denotes Present)
- 2) **Mission and Vision Statements-** Jim Langel
 - a) *"Inviting and equipping people of all ages to be and become disciples of Jesus Christ".*
 - b) *"Living and sharing a life changing and passionate faith in Jesus Christ."*
- 3) **Adoption of Agenda-** *Katy Clapham made motion to adopt. Charisse Folken second – motion carried.*
- 4) **Devotion and Prayer:** Nate Schmidt
- 5) **Business-**
 - A. Christmas Schedule
 - a. Worship Services – the schedule has been set as follows: 12/23 – 9:30 only, 12/24 – 3:00, 5:00, (both FLC), 7:00 (Sanctuary); 12/30 – 9:30 only
 - b. Children's Christmas Program - will be held 12/16 (FLC)
 - B. Wednesday Evening Activities – The Advent Services Group is working on this. It will include evening prayers and meals.
 - C. Transition Task Force Update – Groups have continued to meet. Survey of the Congregation will be coming out soon.
 - D. Finance Team Update – Katy Clapham provided an overview.
 - a. Members – 11 people have expressed interest
 - b. Initial Plans – Katy will lead the Finance/Audit Team, Gary Jones will lead the Fundraising Team
 - c. Budget information to be shared in the Weekly Happenings, will be determined by this Team. The intent is to continue to be as transparent as possible. Examples to include electronic giving, weekly and monthly totals will be reviewed.
 - E. Audit Team – see D.
 - F. Special Congregational Meeting
 - a. Thoughts/ideas following the meeting – Congregation participation was more than expected and appreciated. Positive feedback was received by several Council members.
 - b. How to inform the rest of the congregation – follow up will be provided in the Weekly Happenings and emails to the Congregation
 - G. Reports-
 - a. Church Council Minutes- October 25, 2018 - *Motion was made by Gary Jones to approve the minutes. Charisse Folken second – motion carried.*
 - b. Summary Financial Reports for October – Finances were reviewed.
 - c. Pastor's Report - no report
 - d. Other – Jim Langel shared an email from a Congregation member.
- 6) **Upcoming Meeting Dates**
 - a) Joint Christmas celebration of Council & TTF members – Sunday, Dec 9th, 6:00 PM at Gordie Sorensen's home (2335 Blythe Blvd, CF)
 - b) Monthly meeting January 17, 2019 at 7:00 AM
 - c) Monthly meeting February 21, 2019 at 7:00 AM

d) Monthly meeting March 21, 2019 at 7:00 AM

7) **Adjournment** – Gary Jones made motion to adjourn at 8:43 AM. Katy Clapham second – motion carried.

8) **Closing Prayer** – by Nate Schmidt.

Special Congregation Meeting Minutes – Sunday, November 11, 2018

****Proposed bylaw changes to St John Lutheran Church Endowment Fund****

1. **Call to Order and Prayer** – Jim Langel called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. Marie Prachar led the opening prayer.
2. **Adoption of Agenda** – Luke Bartlett made motion to accept the agenda. Adam Puls seconded. Motion passed.
3. **Proposed bylaws changes** – Brian Burkhardt read the Proposed Changes to the

Bylaws/Constitution from the Church Council:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of the SJMEF is to enhance the outreach ministry of this congregation apart from the current operating budget of this congregation; that no portion of the income generated by the SJMEF shall be used for current operating or benevolence expenses. ***The foregoing notwithstanding, the SJMEF shall be authorized to make loans to the church so long as such loans are properly memorialized by a Promissory Note stating the amount borrowed, interest rate and terms for repayment of such loan not to exceed two years unless negotiated otherwise by SJMEF members.***

A.16 Neither principal or income of the SJMEF is intended to be used as a source of personal and/or corporate loans or grants to members of the Endowment Committee, employees or members of St John Lutheran Church or to contributors to the SJMEF, except those consistent with the purpose and objectives in accordance with sections B and C of this resolution. ***The foregoing notwithstanding, the SJMEF shall be authorized to make loans to the church so long as such loans are properly memorialized by a Promissory Note stating the amount borrowed, interest rate and terms of repayment of such loan not to exceed two years unless negotiated otherwise by the SJMEF members.***

Grant Gubbrud read the Friendly Amendment from the Endowment Committee & Church Council:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED ***that this congregation, at the special meeting on November 11, 2018, amend and approve to the bylaws of the St John Mission and Endowment Bylaws to read*** that the purpose of the SJMEF is to enhance the outreach ministry of this congregation apart from the current operating budget of this congregation; that no portion of the income generated by the SJMEF shall be used for current operating or benevolence expenses. ***The foregoing notwithstanding, the SJMEF shall be authorized to make loans to the church so long as such loans are properly memorialized by a Promissory Note stating the amount borrowed, interest rate and terms for repayment of such loan.***

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Discussion followed with statements made by: Mary Gubbrud, Joan Baumgartner, Sandy Gardner, Carolyn Martin, Jean Collins, Loren Gardner, Charisse Folken, Linda Holm, Gary Jones,

Denise Hanson, Kelly Turner, Carol Kallenbach, Linea Nichols, Marie Prachar, Gloria Spiegel, Jim Langel, Jerry Hummel, Paula Nicol, Steve Ferguson, Ryan Hannam.

Denise Hanson called for a vote.

Jim Langel declared the vote passed by majority.

4. **Adjournment** – Jim Langel thanked all present. Gloria Spiegel made motion to adjourn. Marty Postel seconded. Motion carried.
5. **Closing Prayer** – Marie Prachar led the closing prayer.

Summary Financial Information

December 31, 2018

Current Month and Year to Date

GENERAL FUND

	Monthly Actual	Monthly Plan	YTD Actual	YTD Plan
RECEIPTS:				
General Fund Offerings	96,372.39	70,582.80	493,842.14	432,858.81
Preschool	35,148.00	40,031.74	347,759.32	309,935.23
Missions	0.00	3,129.89	5,000.00	15,000.00
Mortgage & Building	2,807.54	2,894.31	26,051.57	33,317.62
Other	4,874.93	2,870.61	8,786.37	9,316.31
Total Receipts	\$ 139,202.86	\$ 119,509.35	\$ 881,439.40	\$ 800,427.97
Use of Dedicated Funds	5,364.96	3,044.54	37,867.79	42,136.52
Capital Appeal	3,488.22	6,304.34	32,008.14	49,198.50
UNI Campus Ministry Partnership	8,215.04	4,070.33	36,367.22	37,191.67
	\$ 17,068.22	\$ 13,419.21	\$ 106,243.15	\$ 128,526.69
EXPENDITURES:				
Salaries & Benefits	66,502.15	76,971.70	638,924.21	633,242.75
Operations & Maintenance	7,498.97	11,211.58	104,224.24	127,426.54
Mortgage Principal	6,488.22	6,351.85	32,008.14	55,804.06
Mortgage Interest	2,807.54	2,927.43	25,981.57	27,665.50
Missions/Outreach	0.00	7,264.69	6,484.00	30,993.66
Discipleship, Congregational Life & Worship Ministries	6,734.51	8,307.95	56,198.41	68,360.24
UNI Campus Ministry Partnership	8,215.04	4,166.67	36,367.22	37,500.03
	\$ 98,246.43	\$ 117,201.87	\$ 900,187.79	\$ 980,992.78
GENERAL FUND CLOSING BALANCE (current year)	\$ 58,024.65	\$ 15,726.69	\$ 87,494.76	\$ (52,038.12)
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$ (13,718.66)	\$ 73,776.10		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT				
	3/31/18		Year to date	
DEDICATED FUNDS	Balances	Year to date Receipts	Expenses	12/31/2018
Building Fund	835.69	26,985.72	25,981.57	1,839.84
Missions	4,085.00	9,443.50	5,000.00	8,528.50
Other Dedicated (Restricted Gifts)	26,978.13	21,499.18	18,374.27	30,103.04
Capital Appeal	48,181.85	29,910.50	32,008.14	46,084.21
2018 Pledges	22,823.00	18,000.00	22,823.00	18,000.00
Memorials	7,455.07	3,495.00	1,151.52	9,798.55
	\$ 110,358.74	\$ 109,333.90	\$ 105,338.50	\$ 114,354.14
ENDOWMENT FUND				
	3/31/2018	12/31/2018		
Endowment Fund	418,865.51	381,320.96		
Tucker Endowment Fund	104,055.74	98,066.35		
TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUND	\$ 522,921.25	\$ 479,387.31		
Outstanding Loans				
	3/31/2018	12/31/2018		
Mortgage Balance	\$773,952.76	\$735,381.95		
FIXED ASSETS				
	3/31/2018	12/31/2018		
Buildings and Property	\$ 9,308,268.00	\$10,212,530.00	* as evaluated by Grinnell Mutual	