

July 2026 Council Notes

St. Paul Church Council Meeting Minutes Date: July 6, 2026 Time: 7:00 PM
Location: St. Paul Church, Hull Iowa
Attendees: President: Jeremy Breuer, Secretary: Cassidy Hinds, Elder: Brian Sohl, Dave Kruse, Trustee: Dave Tiedemann, Keith Anderson, Deacon: Brent Hoegh, Treasurer: Norman Winselman, Pastor: Owen Hoegh
Call to Order and Opening Prayer: President Jeremy Breuer called the meeting to order. **Pastor Owen Hoegh opened with prayer.**
Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion made to approve the June meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Norman Winselman presented the financial report for June 2026: Inflows: \$8,243.13 Outflows: \$9,772.83 Ending Balance: \$53,627.78 Brent Hoegh shared a spreadsheet and several graphs that display the month-by-month financial trends over the past several years. Motion carried to approve the Treasurer’s report.
Deacons Report: Nothing new to report
Elders Report: Reviewed the changes made to the Council job duty description document. When it is complete, the council will provide a copy to members of the church.
Trustees Report: Going to line up Carpets to be cleaned in church. Based on several conversations with members, the council discussed getting a bid to add concrete on the west side of the church. The bid proposal would be to fill with concrete between the road and the parking lot and potentially to the north side of the cemetery. Fundraising options and congregational events were discussed. Discussed to continue to work on the parsonage lawn and redo another section of that this fall. Also plan to redo the northeast section of the church lawn that is the only section that hasn’t been redone.
Pastor’s Report: Reported visits for the month of June. Pastor updated us on his vacation plans for the end of July. Pastor is working on plans for first Wednesday Pot Luck and Wednesday night bible study topics. He would love feedback from the congregation of what topics people would like to have at these events. Council discussed attendance of those events and what could be changed to encourage more people to attend these events.
Other Business: Had an in-depth conversation about church insurance. The idea of becoming self-insured was discussed, and it included preliminary thoughts on what that might look like and mean. It is possible that breaking the parsonage off of the church plan and ensuring that separately would be a good option. We talked about a lot of options to make sure that we are using the church's budget in a responsible manner regarding insurance. There are questions that need to be answered, and the council will discuss this more at the August meeting. Discussed Pastor's yearly review. The council will plan to talk at the August meeting if we should form a committee to help with the review, or if the council will conduct the review this year. Pastor expressed gratitude for a beneficial review process, and for the positivity and hospitality shown to him and his family. He is thankful to be a member of this congregation, and for the privilege of bestowing the Gospel here.
Next Meeting: Sunday August 2
Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer
Minutes Submitted By: Cassidy Hinds

St. Paul Lutheran Church Messenger

August 2026

If you'd like to receive Pastor Owen's "Preaching the Promise" newsletter, just let him know! The only thing required is an email address. You could subscribe yourself as well. Go to <https://preachingthepromise.substack.com/> and type your email in the box, and it's done! Once subscribed, you'll have access to a couple of posts each week: 1) Pastor Owen's weekly "How it's goin'" video, and 2) a short message/devotional based on a Scripture passage that will be read in worship that upcoming Sunday.

- August 2: **Jr Lutherans** will pick sweet corn before church.
- August 2: **Church Council Meeting** at 10:30am following the worship service.
- August 16: **Buddy Walk** at Arnold’s Park starts at 1:00pm.
- August 20: **SHARE** Group for widows and widowers will meet on Thursday at 11:30am. They will meet at the Hull Pizza Ranch.
- August 29: **Church Cookout & Games** (potential date, not final).
- August: **Men’s Breakfast** not on the schedule but maybe added.
- The Women of the Church will again be collecting school items for the LWR (**Lutheran World Relief**) this year. We will be collecting during the months of August and September. The last Sunday we will be collecting is September 27. There will be containers in the Narthex for the items. We hope to make 50 school kits this year. Please check the list of items needed on the sheet placed in your church mailbox or in this week’s bulletin.
- The following are not meeting for the summer:

Quilting Group
TEAM Faith
Confirmation Class
First Wednesday Potluck
Adult Bible Study

August WORSHIP ASSISTANTS
Deacon: Ken Nielsen
Head Usher: Cassidy Hinds
Women’s Duties: Marcella Suter & Karen Mosier

August 2026 Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 8:30am: Jr Lutherans (sweet corn picking) 9:30am: Worship w/Communion 10:30am: Church Council Meeting	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 9:30am: Worship	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 9:30am: Worship w/Communion 1:00pm: Buddy Walk	17	18	19	20 11:30am: SHARE Group	21	22
23 9:30am: Worship	24	25	26	27	28	29 Church Cookout & Games
30 9:30am: Worship	31					

August Birthdays:

6th – Sheryl Tiedeman
6th – Collin Schroeder
8th—Aubrynn Tiedeman
9th -- Hunter Rozeboom
10th---Beau Schroeder
15th – Julene Anderson
16th – Nancy Nielsen
17th – Elisabeth Even
18th – Becky Duin
24th – Jeff DeStigter
26th – Eric Van Beek
26th – Michelle Wellendorf
29th – Nathan Tiedemann
30th – Collin Wellendorf

August Anniversaries:

10th – Ron and Linda Vanden Bosch
15th – Dale and Diane Fick
28th – Jeff and Lynn DeStigter