

The Messenger

Christ Evangelical
Lutheran Church

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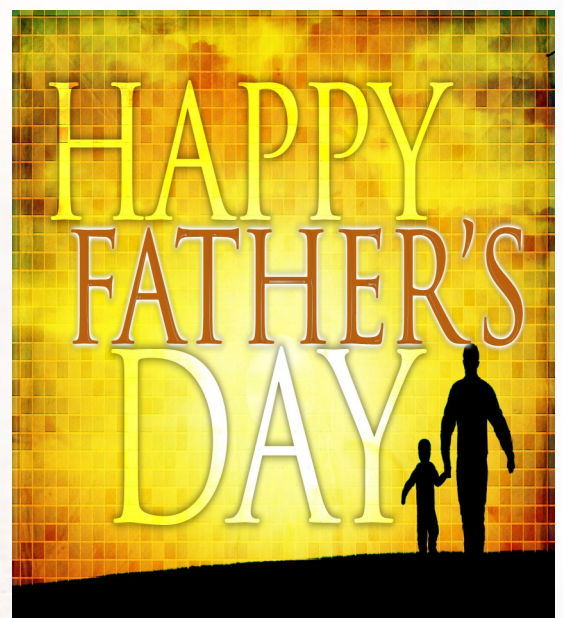


June Birthdays

Landon C	3
Jean C	4
Cooper N	7
Laura K	7
Ruth K	8
Layla F	8
Harold W	11
Christina M	12
Briar K	12
Christian M	16
Mindy T	22
Nadine C	23
Meghan K	23
Michele O	26
Isabella C	29

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Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Meeting Minutes April 18, 2023

Draft version. Minutes not officially approved until the following Congregation Council meeting.

Present: Pastor Laura Kuntz, Ryan Smarsh, Chuck Heindrichs, Eric Mohny, Tim Gottshall and Katie Koch

Absent: Amy Lodge

Quorum was met.

The in person meeting was called to order by Council President Ryan Smarsh at 6:35 p.m. and opened with prayer.

Review and officially accept minutes from previous Council meeting

Motion: Accept minutes of the March 6, 2022 Congregation Council Meeting

Motion: Tim Gottshall

Second: Chuck Heindrichs

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Financials for March 2023 (Total)

	March	YTD	
Income	\$22,071	\$59,057	
Expenses	\$22,935	-\$7,238	
Net Income	-\$864	-\$7,238	
Organ Loan	\$20,918	Pledges of 3/31/2023	\$1,609
External Funds	\$785,535		
Internal Funds	\$38,888		

Chuck Heindrichs mentioned the Organ Pledges are now at \$390/month. This could be due to some three year pledge commitments having come to end. Monies received for the ASP Trip Fundraiser have not yet been accounted for in the March statements.

Property

Tim Gottshall reported in March that tree trimming and removal had taken place, sink faucets in the Preschool rooms have been replaced, and the lawn equipment has been serviced. The HVAC system has been repaired. Spring clean up has been scheduled for April 29. Upcoming tasks will be the garage, a new concrete slab for the preschool toys, and landscaping improvements.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Laura reported that services for Holy Week and Easter went very well. She is also finishing up her Lenten series of "Speaking Our Faith," with one class remaining.

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Previous Business

There were discussions surrounding the giving envelopes and removing the Mission Partner box.

Motion: To remove “Mission Partner” from the giving envelopes and name NEO Synod as the fifth Benevolence.

Motion: Eric Mohny

Second: Ryan Smarsh

Motion passed.

The Preschool is currently looking for members for their board. Chuck will follow up with Amy Lodge as to the status of potential board candidates. Council would like to have these members elected during the Spring Congregation Meeting.

The Organ Pledges are at an average of \$390/month, which is less than the \$475 monthly payment. Eric will reach out to the original organ campaign members to look at revamping the campaign.

Eric Mohny to prepare a State of the Church ahead of service on May 7, 2023.

Council has decided that in the spring of each year, families with children will be asked if they have an intention of sending their children to Lutheran West the following school year. If any member says yes, we will remain a member of the Cleveland Lutheran High School Association.

New Business

Six members of the congregation have agreed to be part of the Call Committee. They will meet with Pastor Mitch Phillips Thursday, April 20, 2023. Ryan Smarsh will contact the members to find an agreeable date to formally introduce them to the congregation and bless them.

The Spring Congregation Meeting will be held on May 21, 2023 at 11:30, following worship service.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Eric Mohny

Second: Katie Koch

Motion passed.

Ryan Smarsh adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m. with the Lord’s Prayer. Date for the next council meeting will be Monday, May 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Koch

Secretary

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Meeting Minutes May 1, 2023

Draft version. Minutes not officially approved until the following Congregation Council meeting.

Present: Pastor Laura Kuntz, Ryan Smarsh, Amy Lodge, Chuck Heindrichs, Eric Mohney, Tim Gottshall and Katie Koch

Quorum was met.

The in person meeting was called to order by Council President Ryan Smarsh at 6:35 p.m. and opened with devotions and prayer.

Review and officially accept minutes from previous Council meeting

Motion: To amend the minutes of the April 18, 2022 Congregation Council Meeting; YTD Expenses being -\$66,295.

Motion: Amy Lodge

Second: Ryan Smarsh

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Financials for April 2023 (Less April 30, 2023 Deposit)

	April	YTD	
Income	\$16,324	\$73,725	
Expenses	\$23,685	\$91,817	
Net Income	-\$7,361	-\$18,092	
Organ Loan	\$20,918	Pledges of 3/31/2023	\$1,479
External Funds	\$804,754		
Internal Funds	\$41,303		

Property

Tim Gottshall reported the pine tree stumps were ground, spring clean up occurred on April 29 with several tasks completed, holes have been stoppered and rodent repellent purchased for mice that have been detected, and ceiling tiles have been replaced in the social hall. The fire department completed their annual inspection; the kitchen stove needs a commercial gas connection. Tim also discussed some preschool requests and how those improvements get approved and completed.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Laura reported that the Call Committee has started meeting, and will meet every other Wednesday. The preschool board has selected their final member, and will take a vote during the spring congregation meeting. There has been brainstorming over fellowship activities, and she will look into scheduling a youth activity.

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Previous Business

Chuck Heindrichs reported as a Lutheran church we are part of the Association Church and cannot be part of the Partner Church.

The organ pledges have fallen to \$378/month average. Eric still intends to reach out to the original members. If this fails, then to revamp the organ campaign.

New Business

The Call Committee is looking to send a survey out to the congregation. An inquiry will be made to see if it is possible to do this electronically.

Audits for the church need to be done prior to a new pastor's arrival, as well as for the preschool prior to Teri Pienoski retiring.

The announcement schedule has been made through July, and will be sent to Heather.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Amy Lodge

Second: Tim Gottshall

Motion passed.

Ryan Smarsh adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Date for the next council meeting will be Monday, June 5, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The July council meeting will be Monday, July 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Koch
Secretary

CRS Summer Snack Bags

✠ Calling all CELC family and friends. We will once again participate in the community outreach to provide snack bags to the less fortunate children in our community. The ask from CRS is to provide 50 snack bags each week and we selected the weeks of July 24th and 31st. Please drop off at the church office by July 15th. *Non-perishable food only** Items cannot be refrigerated or frozen. Please see Amy Lodge or Ryan Smarsh with any questions.



Thank You

Thank you to Johanna and both the Bell and Sanctuary Choirs for sharing your time and talents with us this year! Thank you for your dedication to the church and to our choir.



June 2023 Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	29 <i>Office Closed</i>	30 <i>Office Closed</i>	31 Last day to reg- ister for VBS	1	2 Pastor's day off	3
4 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship Confir- mation Sunday	5 6:30 p.m. Coun- cil	6	7	8	9 Pastor's day off	10
11 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	12 9:00 am-12:00 p.m. VBS	13 9:00 am-12:00 p.m. VBS	14 9:00 am-12:00 p.m. VBS	15 9:00 am-12:00 p.m. VBS	16 9:00 am-12:00 p.m. VBS	17 YOUTH ASP MISSION TRIP
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18 <i>Father's Day</i>	19	20	21	22	23 Pastor's day off	24
10:00 a.m. Holy Worship						
25 10:00 a.m. Holy Worship	26	27	28	29	30 Pastor's day off	1

Assisting Opportunities IN WORSHIP



June 4

Usher: Chip Crout
Lector: Laura Knight
Cantor: Angela Pedersen
Live Stream: Tim Gottshall
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Chuck Heindrichs and Andy Young

June 11

Usher: Brian Knip
Lector: Tim Gottshall
Cantor: Anita Hlava
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Counter: Chuck Heindrichs
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Keith Dils and Eric Yonkof

June 18

Usher: Eric Mohney
Lector: Aubrey Luciano
Cantor: Michelle Young
Live Stream: Bill Higgins
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Steve and Lisa Scheer

June 25

Usher: Ryan Smarsh
Lector: Beth Lecorchick
Cantor: Rob Pedersen
Live Stream: Ryan Smarsh
Counter: Julie Skaggs
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson
Grass: Bob Olds and Eric Mohney

July 2

Usher: Betsty Floyd
Lector:
Cantor:
Live Stream:
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding:
Grass: Steve and Lisa Scheer

July 9

Usher: Brian Knip
Lector: Laura Knight
Cantor: Julie Pressnell
Live Stream:
Counter: Eric Klenz
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding:
Grass: Rob Nordman and Dan Ingraham

July 16

Usher: Ryan Smarsh
Lector:
Cantor:
Live Stream: Ryan Smarsh
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding:
Grass: Frank Lee and Brian Knip

July 23

Usher: Eric Mohney
Lector:
Cantor: Michelle Young
Live Stream:
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding:
Grass: Tony Toy and Marty Koch

July 30

Usher: Chip Crout
Lector:
Cantor:
Live Stream:
Counter: Brenda Crout
Altar Care: Nadine Carlson
Bulletin Folding:
Grass: Chuck Heindrichs and Andy Young

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Worship

Sunday's at 10:00 a.m.

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



I would like to thank the following people who took the time to teach Sunday School this past year. Daniel Ingraham, Melissa Ingraham, Ron Jantz, Karen Klement, Katie Koch, Pastor Kuntz, Kristen Luciano, Carol Meiners, Elizabeth Misson, Paul Owens, Melinda Tinney and Stephanie Wolfe.

Thank you for investing in the Christian education of our congregation.

Julie Pressnell.