

**Congregational Council**  
St. John's Lutheran Church  
July 25, 2023 | 7:00 p.m.

**Members:** Pr. Pam Fickenscher, Pr. Jonathan Davis, Kathy Shea, Dave Neuger, Marilyn Calcutt, Eric Sponheim, Candace Godfrey, Trish Goodrich, Kristy Harms, Tamara Jackman, Dennis Rinehart, Jane Rizzo, Jerry Ugland, Steve Taggert, Dan Franklin

**Present:** Kathy Shea, Candace Godfrey, Marilyn Calcutt, Jerry Ugland, Dan Frankenstein, Jane Rizzo, Dennis Rinehart, Dave Neuger, Pr. Jonathan Davis, Kristy Harms, Tamara Jackman

**Not Present:** Trish Goodrich, Steve Taggert, Pr. Pam Fickenscher, Eric Sponheim

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

1. Opening devotion and prayer led by Candace Godfrey
2. Motion to approve the June 27, 2023 Minutes made by Kristy Harms. Seconded by Dennis Rinehart. The motion passes unanimously.
3. Financial Report - Jane Rizzo
  - a. Still behind in offering. Gap is increasing. Offering statements will be sent to congregation. 42% behind projected income.
  - b. Will focus on reducing expenses.
  - c. Dan Franklin made the motion to accept the financial report as submitted. Candace Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Council Updates & Action Items
  - a. Youth Director Position
    - i. Kristin Partlo has been offered and accepted the position Director of Ministry with Youth and Families on a part-time basis as she continues her seminary studies. September 5 2023 start date.
    - ii. Motion to approve Kristin as part-time Youth Director: Dennis Rinehart. Motion seconded: Jerry Ugland. Approved unanimously.
  - b. Capital Campaign planning.
    - i. \$800,000 initial goal for Capital campaign. Capital projects include:
      1. Placement of solar panels on flat roof surfaces. Government rebates are available for solar panel installations.
      2. Improved utility efficiency and sustainability
        - a. A comprehensive energy audit of the St. John's campus will be part of this planned element.



6. Pastor's Report (included in the materials for the meeting)
  - a. Brief review of items submitted for the Council.
  - b. Pr. Jonathan remarked on the extensive planning and coordination by Nathan Proctor to assure seamless music resources during Nathan's scheduled sabbatical. The Council expressed gratitude.
7. Board Reports - (included in the materials for this meeting)
  - a. Adult Ministries: plans are being developed.
8. New Business
  - a. Discussion – air quality policy for programming
    - i. No action needed at this point. Will wait for the school district to make recommendations or set their own policy.

Future Dates:

- a. Boards: **No official Board Night for August - meet as needed**  
Please send notes of your Board meetings to Trish Goodrich so she can have them prepared for Council meetings
- b. Council: **Tuesday, August 22, 2023 | 7:00 p.m.** Prayer led by Marilyn Calcutt.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm

Other Notes: none.

Respectfully submitted by Kristy Harms