

**St. Luke Lutheran Church of Sacramento, CA
Council Meeting Minutes**

February 18, 2025

Approved Minutes

18 March 2025

Marlene Kiser

Meeting Called to Order at 6:03 PM by Chet Madison

Present: Chet Madison; Peggy Moser; Pastor Rob Williamson; Marlene Kiser; Cathy Davis; Carolyn Andrews; Punky Dias; Faith Thomas; and Bob Behr

Absent: Kirsten Ireton; Laura Tice; Kathleen Arndt; and Kelly Boyer

Guest Present: Clarence Korhonen

Opening Prayer was provided by Pastor Rob Williamson.

Lecto Divina Process: Led by Pastor Rob Williams.

- Luke 10:1-12 (Jesus Sends the Seventy – from the Living Word of God translation) was read.
- Council members reflected on the passage.
- Each member shared their observations and questions about the passage.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

Peggy Moser moved to accept January 21, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes, seconded by Faith Thomas. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Reports

Treasurer Report:

- Chet Madison invited questions on the Treasurer's Report in Kirsten Ireton's absence; none were asked.

Finance:

- Bob Behr stated that the Finance Board request Council approval to open a 6-month CD with \$75,000 from the church's Reserve Account.
- F&M Bank and Wells Fargo Bank offer a 3.5% interest rate for a 6-month CD.
- Punky Dias moved to open the 6-month CD with F&M Bank in the amount of \$75,000; Marlene Kiser seconded. The motion was unanimously approved by the council.

Action Items:

The Finance Board Requested that a motion be made to move the balance from the Pastor's Installation Fund to the Pastoral Assistance Fund:

- Marlene Kiser moved to transfer the balance from the Pastor's Installation Fund to the Pastoral Assistance Fund. Peggy Moser seconded, and the motion passed unanimously by the council.

Offering from Pastor Rob Williamson Installation Service - \$451.00:

- Marlene Kiser moved to allocate \$45.00 (10%) from the Installation Service offering to the Community Concerns Board Fund and the remaining \$406.00 (90%) to the church's General Fund. Peggy Moser seconded it, and it passed unanimously by the council.

More Board Reports:

Property Board:

Storm Drain Connection:

- Clarence Korhonen reported on the Storm Drain Connection issues and repairs.
- Project repair cost: \$10,506.15.

Decorative Concrete Wall:

- Clarence Korhonen reported that GuideOne inspected the damage to the decorative concrete wall.
- GuideOne provided an estimated repair cost.
- The cost covered by GuideOne, after the deductible, was \$8,314.47.

New Business:

Ash Wednesday and Lenten Soup Supper Schedule & set up:

- Chet Madison mentioned that the hosting boards' schedule was in the February Evangelism Board Meeting Minutes email sent to council members.
- Hosting boards manage supper setup and cleanup.

St. Luke Church Website Ad hoc team:

- Chet Madison announced that Kirsten Ireton will lead an ad hoc team to investigate potential updates to the church website.
- The team will assess the current needs of the website and determine the necessary steps to enhance its functionality and appearance.

Elk Grove Citizen weekly subscription-Places to Worship (Old Business):

- Chet Madison stated that St. Luke Lutheran Church, the only ELCA church in South Sacramento/Elk Grove, is now advertising in the Elk Grove Citizen.

Installation of New St. Luke officers scheduled for February 23, 2025:

- Chet Madison announced that all St. Luke officers and boards will be installed on Sunday, February 23, 2025.

HR360-Pertaining to Human Resource support \$75.00/month:

- We discussed hiring an HR company for assistance in managing St. Luke employees.
- Chet Madison mentioned Kirsten Ireton attended a seminar by HR360, which supports worship sites.
- The cost would be \$75 per month.
- The Finance Board is evaluating this option and will update the council soon.

Old Business

100th Anniversary Update:

- Cathy Davis announced Pictorial Directory pictures on Saturday, February 22, 2025, with make-up day on Sunday, March 23, 2025, after church.
- Carnitas Dinner will be on Sunday, March 2, 2025, after Church Service.
- Community BBQ is on Saturday, May 31, 2025, from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Organizations receiving benevolence from the church will be invited to attend or provide informational leaflets.
- Soul Stitchers are assembling the Quilt for the 100th Anniversary.
- St. Luke's collection of paper products ends in February.

Gate closure procedures of Tangerine Ave:

- Chet Madison briefly discussed the procedure now available on the church website under Policy & Procedures, P&P 2025-1.

Round Robin Information:

Pastor Rob Williamson:

- Chet Madison mentioned an email from Lisa Berg at Lutheran Social Services seeking volunteers.
- Pastor Rob Williamson reported on Pastor Amy Kinsley's work leading Evangelical Mission in the Sierra Pacific Synod. Anyone interested in joining should inform Pastor Rob Williamson.

Bob Behr:

- Bob Behr highlighted the importance of the "Other Provisions" in Pastor Rob's Call, emphasizing special pastor emphases and congregation support. He stressed that we should keep these provisions in mind as the church moves forward.

Closing Prayer by: Pastor Rob Williamson

Meeting adjourned at: 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

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