

**Concordia Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting  
February 9, 2021**

President Kenn Pettit called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pastor Brown opened with prayer.

Present were Pastor Brad Brown, Kenn Pettit, Mark Stauffer, John Hohnstein, Lu Anne Reifschneider, Christina Johnson, and Pam Glandorf.

**Secretary Report**

Minutes from the January 12, 2021 council meeting were reviewed. Motion Lu Anne Reifschneider to approve. Second John Hohnstein. Motion Carried.

**Correspondence**

Lenten Charities ~ End of year statements received (previously reported)

Linn County Correctional Center Chaplain  
Willis Dady Homeless Shelter  
HACAP Food Reservoir

**Treasurer Report**

Total Receipts 2021	as reported
Total Disbursements 2021	as reported
Total Cash & Equiv. 2021	as reported

**Reports**

**A. Pastors Report**

Since my last report to the Council, I have been involved in the typical aspects of ministry at Concordia – as they are taking place during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

I have been delivering sermon and bulletins weekly along with video saved to USB. Apparently, there are some audio issues that I am trying to work through.

We continue to watch and deliberate how best to serve the congregation through in person services and streaming services. Again – as things change with the way the system is set up it potentially causes problems – just trying to work out the “bugs” again.

Sunday School - Confirmation – STEPP Up – Youth Group – All taking place as usual now with the exception of Youth Group meeting 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month instead of every week.

Insurance and repairs will be coming – there is a lot to do still and much will be taking place in the spring.

Reminder that Ash Wednesday is the 17<sup>th</sup>. Services on Wednesdays through March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 each week.

Maundy Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup>. Good Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Easter is April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Working on getting Kathy's new computer set up. Hopefully will get it taken care of this week.

Thanks again for all of your support. It is much appreciated.

## **B. Elders Report**

Chairman John Hohnstein called the meeting to order.

Elders Present: Todd Armstrong, Gary Crow, Fred Mittan, Dave Nelson, John Hohnstein, Jon Jaschen

Elders Absent: Steve Setter, Steve Seltrecht

Opening Prayer: Pastor Brown

Approval of January Minutes

Pastors Report

Elder Assignments – February: 9:30 Gary Crow and Dave Nelson

Elder Assignments – Ash Wednesday 2-17 and Lent Service 2-24 same as above

Old Business:

- Elder Assignments thru May were approved
- Cottages were assigned to Elders
- Elder Responsibilities were reviewed

New Business:

- Elder COVID 19 responsibilities were reviewed
- Hymn License for new computers was approved
- Contemporary Service scheduling tabled for a future date
- Elder Outreach

Meeting adjourned was adjourned by John Hohnstein and concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

### **C. Board of Education Report**

- Share and Care Preschool – Sarah Hoffman

#### 2020-2021 Enrollment

5 Day – 15 – 1 opening (2 learning virtually at this time)

3 Day – 10

2 Day – 2

#### 2021-2022 Enrollment

5 Day – 15 – 1 opening

3 Day – 7/8

2 Day – 1

Waiting on registration forms from a couple families and sent out more forms last week.

The preschool was given \$200 in memorials for Mrs. Lehmkuhl. The money will be used to purchase Bibles for this year and next year. We also received word that COVID stipends will continue into June (which we will not be eligible for but can collect thru May.)

- Sunday School

Pastor and Angie are working on ordering new materials to finish out this spring and that is proving to be more challenging than expected. The current materials are being discontinued. Pastor did find material to finish this school year.

- Stepp Up/Confirmation

All is going well. We will not have classes on 2/17, 3/17, or 3/31.

- Youth Group

Plan to continue meeting the first and third Sundays of the month.

### **D. Evangelism/Missions**

No Report

## **E. Stewardship Report**

Soup Can Drive will take place all 6 weeks of Lent in place of the Ash Wednesday Soup Supper. We will be collecting cans of soup and non-perishable ingredients to make soup, including broth, rice, beans, and canned vegetables. Discussion is still going on as to who to give the donations to. We are looking at donating to two organizations, Hoover Elementary School Food Bank being one of them.

## **F. Trustees Report**

**Chair: Lu Anne Reifschneider**

**Guest: Pastor Brown**

**Trustee: Mark Stauffer Absent: Jim Justice**

- A. Open with Prayer – Pastor B
- B. Trustee workday was held January 12
  - 1. All furnace filters were changed
  - 2. New paper towel dispensers purchased by Pre-school were installed in FH bathrooms & preschool.
  - 3. Attached shelves to racks for library books in new cry room
- C. New Fridge was delivered February 22. Doors on the front have indentations. Dealer has ordered replacement doors and those should be delivered and installed in mid-late February at no additional cost to us. To date funds received from Pre-school and Stepp Up related group toward the final cost.
- D. Re-evaluation of Derecho insurance claim has been completed and claim has now been closed. Re-evaluation resulted in additional funds to CLC in the amount of \$17,998.57. Discussion to follow with Council on acceptance of bids currently in our possession to continue with repairs.
- E. Annual inspection and (this year) repair of chair lifts scheduled for Wednesday 10 February.
- F. Installation of new vinyl in part of FH nearest the door scheduled to start Thursday 11 February. Derecho insurance repair.
- G. Excess furniture in FH: need to get moved out of building. Have looked at Central Furniture Rescue – not a fit for what we have. Probably best to go to Good Will. Will need a day with pickups and a few good men & women.
- H. Spring mower tune-up – to P & K in March/April to get ready for mowing season. Looking for 5 individuals/families who will commit to mowing once every 5 weeks. Contact Lu Anne if interested.
- I. Interior projects to complete: baseboard in quilter's room & complete a small section in old library; clean up furnace room.

Closed with Lord's Prayer.

## Unfinished Business

### New Business

- Derecho Repairs/Insurance Claim

Motion Lu Anne Reifschneider to accept the following bids for repairs due to Derecho damage:

Electrical Mast	\$1,200.00	Streff Electric
Soffit, fascia, gutter	\$7,640.00	Blackhawk Roofing

Second John Hohnstein

Discussed that the soffit, fascia, gutter bid will cover replacement/repair to the north and south side of the church. (Included in insurance claim.) It was mentioned that we do have some wood soffit on the east and west ends that is rotting, particularly the area between the church and the preschool. With the work done this year on bat removal, it was advised we might want to look at the cost of replacing that area. Lu Anne will reach out to Blackhawk Roofing and come back to council with a bid on that portion.

Motion Carried.

- Lenten Charities – Proposed 2021

Motion Christina Johnson to approve the following Lenten Charities for 2021:

The six Charities listed below receive \$100 each:

- American Bible Society
- Armed Forces Commission
- Bethesda Lutheran Home
- Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
- Linn County Correctional Center Chaplain
- Lutheran Deaconess Association

The remainder of the funds are divided equally among the charities listed below:

- Lutherans for Life
- Lutheran Hour Ministries
- Vinton Lutheran Home
- Dave and Karen Sifert
- Willis Dady Shelter
- Family Promise of Linn County
- Linn Community Food Bank

Second Mark Stauffer. Motion Carried.

- Voters Meeting Dates – 2021

- April 18, 2021 – Time to be announced
- September 19, 2021 – Time to be announced
- December 19, 2021 – Time to be announced

- Eric Hudson requests a peaceful release of his Concordia membership

Motion Lu Anne Reifschneider to approve Eric Hudson's request for peaceful release.  
Second Christina Johnson. Motion Carried.

- Michele Lavin requests a transfer from St. John's Lutheran to Concordia.

Motion Christina Johnson to approve the transfer of Michele Lavin to Concordia Lutheran.  
Second Lu Anne Reifschneider. Motion Carried.

- Easter Lilies

We will take orders for Easter Lilies this year.

Adjournment at 7:54 p.m.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

In His Service,  
Pam Glandorf, Secretary

Next Council Meeting – March 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Next Voter's Meeting – April 18, 2021, Time to be announced