# SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH 12650 JOHNNY CAKE RIDGE ROAD, APPLE VALLEY, MN 55124 Minutes of Church Council Meeting

Date: 10/17/2024
On-Site Community Room

#### Attendees:

Paul Moyer, President
Merilu Narum, Vice President
Dick Rank, Treasurer
Carleen Melin, Secretary\*
Amber Kocemba (absent)
Melissa Tapper (absent)
Alyssa Isaacs\*
Pastor Peter Harrits\*

Pastor Rob Carlson
Rachel Wermerskirchen (absent)
Robin Robinson
Shirl Alojado
Melissa Taphorn
Jennifer Davidson\* (absent)
Kelsey Young\* (absent)
\*denotes non-voting member

Centered in the love of God in Jesus;

<u>Call to Order:</u> President Paul Moyer called the meeting to order at 6:46 PM after Council participated in centering prayer in the chapel beforehand. Pastor Peter Harrits lead a guided conversation, in pairs, regarding the mountains ahead of us.

<u>Vision and Leadership Teams Reports</u>: It was suggested Council allot time for asks made by the various departments and leadership teams sharing updates. Alyssa Isaacs shared information on new members from most recent class. Melissa Taphorn shared updates on Centering in Christ program and asks from Council and leadership teams. Realm challenge gift before October 26<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: The council reviewed the minutes to the September 19, 2024 Council Meeting. Melissa Taphorn moved to approve the secretary's report of the Church Council meeting of September 19, 2024. Dick Rank seconded the motion, and the council voted unanimously, 7-0, to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2024Church Council meeting.

<u>Finance Report</u>: Dick Rank provided an overview of the September financials. Reported being down by \$52K, but better than a budget of \$65K. Shirl Alojado moved to approve the September finance reports. Merilu Narum seconded the motion, and the council voted unanimously, 7-0, to approve the September finance reports.

<u>Call Process Update</u>: Paul Moyer shared an update as best as he was able while maintaining confidentiality. The Call Committee met with Bishop Lull in September. They reviewed names and sermons and hope to have interviews in October.

<u>Nominations</u>: Melissa Taphorn presented Becky Zingler for the Equity Leadership Team. Dick Rank moved to approve Becky Zingler for Equity. Shirl Alojado seconded the motion and the council voted unanimously, 7-0, to approve Becky Zingler for the Equity Leadership Team. Melissa Taphorn also shared a revised charter for the Equity Leadership Team. Melissa Taphorn moved to approve the revised charter for the Equity Leadership Team. Dick Rank seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously, 7-0, to approve the revised charter for the Equity Leadership Team.

<u>New Business</u>: Pastor Rob Carlson has informed Council of Pastor Lindsey Bina's request for sabbatical. Melissa Taphorn moved to approve Pastor Lindsey Bina's Sabbatical request for some time summer 2025 for a 3-month sabbatical. Robin Robinson seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously, 7-0, to approve Pastor Lindsey Bina's Sabbatical request.

<u>Adjourn</u>: Dick Rank moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM. Merilu Narum seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously, 6-0\*, to approve the motion to adjourn. \*Shirl had left by the time we adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Carleen Melin, Church Council Secretary

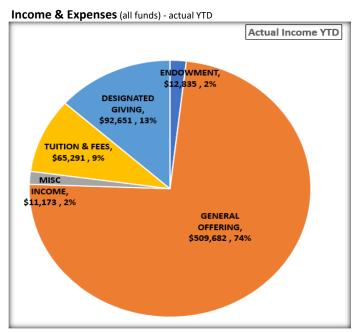
#### **Next Council Meeting:**

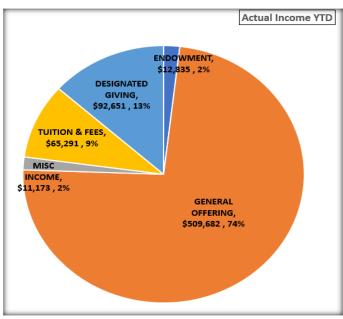
November 21, 2024 at 6:30 PM, in-person, Community Room December 19, 2024 at 6:30 PM, in-person, Community Room

## **Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church**

Financial Summary for Church Council For the 3 months ending October 31, 2024

This Month				<u>General Fund</u>		<u>Year to Date</u>				
Actual	Prior Year	Variance	Budget	Variance		Actual	Prior Year	Variance	Budget	Variance
\$206,146	\$184,101	\$22,045	\$185,250	\$20,896	Income	\$520,855	\$522,452	(\$1,597)	\$535,700	(\$14,845)
\$15,190	\$11,686	\$3,504	\$13,850	\$1,340	Tuition/Fees	\$65,291	\$63,572	\$1,719	\$67,060	(\$1,770)
\$294,130	\$202,590	(\$91,540)	\$318,999	\$24,869	Expenses	\$751,085	\$596,192	(\$154,893)	\$846,003	\$94,918
(\$72,794)	(\$6,803)	(\$65,991)	(\$119,899)	\$47,105	Net	(\$164,940)	(\$10,168)	(\$154,772)	(\$243,243)	\$78,303
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### **Key Metrics**

Total Fund Balances	Close of 7/31/2024	Close of 10/31/2024	YTD Increase (Decrease)	Minimum Balance	Above/(Below) Minimum	
Designated	\$333,040	\$320,363	(\$12,677)	N/A		
Endowment	\$292,552	\$305,387	\$12,835	N/A		
General	\$759,147	\$586,128	(\$173,019)	\$472,000	\$114,128	
TOTAL	\$1,384,740	\$1,211,878	(\$172,862)	\$472,000	\$114,128	
Months of Cash (general	fund)	2.23				
		Current				
	Balance on	Balance end of	Balance	Monthly	YTD	
Key Assets & Liabilities	7/31/2024	<b>Prior Month</b>	10/31/2024	Incr/(Decr)	Incr/(Decr)	
Cash (incl. Endowment)	\$1,384,740	\$1,290,340	\$1,211,878	(\$78,462)	(\$172,862)	
Investments (Vanguard)	\$292,552	\$309,436	\$305,387	(\$4,049)	\$12,835	
Current Liabilities	\$8,098	(\$88)	\$18	\$106	(\$8,080)	
Mortgage Balance	\$619,447	\$606,249	\$599,599	(\$6,650)	(\$19,848)	
<b>Current Liabilities Detail</b>						
Accounts Payable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
FSA/VLI/Vision/Cobra	(\$30)	(\$88)	\$18	\$106		
Prepaid Income	\$8,128	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL	\$8,098	(\$88)	\$18			