

Bethel Lutheran Mission Statement

Bethel Lutheran Church is a community of believers called by God to invite all people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ, build them up in the faith, and send them out to be witnesses in word and deed to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 13, 2025

5:30 p.m.

Planning Council Minutes

I. Call to Order: Cyndy Kolle called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Devotions: Ginny Buck

II. Members Present: Cyndy Kolle; Ginny Buck; Stephanie Hoefs; Pastor Amy; Diane Finnie; Tracy Peterson; Breanna Koval; Lisa Bassingthwaite; Joyce Johnson.

Members Absent: Ryan Hoefs; Stephanie Beyer.

III. Approval of February 13th Minutes: Breanna noted that her name was misspelled on the February 13th minutes. Motion to approve minutes with the noted correction: Breanna Koval 2nd by Ginny Buck: Motion passed.

IV. Monthly Financials

ASSETS

Total Restricted Accounts:	\$ 208,314.51
Unrestricted Accounts:	\$ 120,743.29
Total Checking Savings & Investments:	\$ 329,057.80
Fixed Assets:	\$1,540,368.17
Total Assets:	\$1,869,425.97

LIABILITIES

Total current liabilities:	\$ 139.30
Long Term Liabilities: (remodel loan)	\$ 581,450.60
Total Liabilities:	\$ 581,589.90
Total Fund Balance:	\$1,287,836.07
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance:	\$1,869,425.97

February: Revenue - \$38,819.00	YTD	\$	77,123.00	16.8% of Budget
February: Expenses - \$33,094.00	YTD	\$	69,421.00	15.2% of Budget
February surplus		\$	5,725.00	

V. FFS Report

FFS Capital Campaign: as of March 10, 2025

FFS Debt Reduction -	\$385,394.03
FFS Outreach -	\$ 26,791.06
FFS Campaign -	\$ 34,308.14
Total Donations -	\$446,493.23

VI. HVAC & Roof Status

Loan Application has been sent in and as of today notification of final approval has been received. Additional amount of \$50,000.00 has been approved to be added to the MIF and that will be in the form of a checking account that earns interest.

VII. Pastoral Report – Pastor Amy reported that she led 14 services, attended 32 meetings, attended 2 community events, is working on Lenten and Holy week preparations and is continuing work in Administration updates

IX. Committee Reports

Tracy Peterson reported on the church inventory: The insurance company suggested that we do a video inventory. Tracy will work with a small committee to break the church into segments for the video and create two hard copies of the video. This project will be done later this spring.

A. Board of Outreach:

Food pantry meals: 36 meals were put together with chicken casserole ingredients, cakes, recipes and information about Bethel Church and packed in cloth bags by the 5th graders and will be delivered to the food pantry.

Noisy Offerings:

April- Circle of Nations- prepare goody bag- send home with students

Car Seat Safety check may be scheduled for April. Possible goody bags to be prepared for kids.

New member Sunday will be March 30th.

FFS Community Outreach Luncheon – April 11, 2025 11:00-1:00

Gift Card Bouquets from FFS project: 13 gift cards \$20-\$40

It was decided to leave the gift cards individually (not as a bouquet) at the church office for church office staff to use as they see the need arise.

- B. Board of Lay: No report
- C. Board of Education: No report, will be meeting next week.
- D. Board of Properties: No report.

April meetings: Executive Committee – April 10 at 4:30
 Planning Council – April 10 at 6:00

X. Adjournment

Acting Secretary: Diane Finnie