

Augsburg Immanuel Lutheran Church

Quarterly Voters Meeting

October 9, 2023

Chairman Mo Schukar called the meeting to order. Pastor Landskroener led all present in prayer.

Minutes from the July 9, 2023 voters meeting were printed in the church newsletter. There was no further discussion. A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted, seconded, and approved.

Tellers were appointed for the election of church officers. Tellers were Sue Williams, Scott Torbeck, and Doug Stein.

Members:

Voting members: None
Communicant members: None
Baptisms: None
Transfers:
 Transfer out: None
 Transfer in: None
 Releases: None

Treasurer's Report:

Quarterly treasurer's report was presented. A copy of the report is included with these minutes. A motion was made to accept the report as presented, seconded, and approved.

Elders' Report:

No report. Members are encouraged to contact the elders with questions that they may have regarding the church.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor attended the Synod convention in August. All other "special" activities for the quarter are included in the Pastor's report attached to these minutes.

Trustees' Report:

Ceiling painting has been completed. A new stool has been installed in the ladies' room in the parish hall. Still waiting on the concrete work for the church and parsonage. The contractor had some unavoidable delays. Project should be completed this fall.

Trustees received bids for church maintenance for 2024. They were as follows:

- Custodian – Karen Torbeck \$5,400.00
- Church Prep – Karen Torbeck \$3,300.00
- Mowing & Snow removal (sidewalks), basement step maintenance – Steve Lotz \$6,000.00

A motion was made to accept the bids as presented, seconded, and approved.

An annual budget for the church was also presented for 2024, and is as follows:

- Home \$127,000.00
- Synod \$10,000.00

A motion was made to accept the budget as presented, seconded, and approved.

Sunday school:

We are starting to prepare for the upcoming Christmas program. As usual, we encourage everyone to bring their children and grandchildren.

Bible Class:

Meeting every Sunday, and we encourage everyone to bring their children and grandchildren to Sunday school. Then stay and brush up on your knowledge of the Bible at our class in the parish hall.

Finance Man: No report.

Sexton:

We had an automobile accident in the cemetery recently. Fortunately, no one was hurt, and the only thing damaged was the center and north entrance culverts. The center culvert will be replaced by the road commissioner, Bob Gahle, as soon as possible. The north culvert is still functional. Other news, not related to the accident, will require some adjustment on one of the "flat" tombstones. We should receive a bill for this service when completed.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Elections:

- Chairman: Mo Schukar (volunteer)
- Vice Chairman: Keith Cole (volunteer)
- Secretary: Steve Hickerson (volunteer)
- Elder: David Wasmuth
- Treasurer: Fran Collier (volunteer)
- Assistant Treasurer: Jerry Schukar (volunteer)
- Trustee: Doug Stein
- Sunday School Superintendent: Sue Williams
- Assistant Sunday School Superintendent: Rick Sasse
- Finance Man: Dave Wasmuth
- Financial Reviewer: Dave Wasmuth (outgoing elder appointee)
- Sexton: Rick Sasse (volunteer)
- Parish Hall Director: Scott and Karen Torbeck (volunteer)

A standing motion was made to accept the voting results and the new officers.

The tellers were released and thanked for their service.

Special Collections:

The following special collections were submitted for the fourth quarter:

- Thanksgiving: Lutheran World Relief
- First Advent: The Lutheran Hour
- Christmas Eve: Lutheran Child and Family Services of IL
- Candlelight Service: Lutheran Child and Family Services of IL
- Christmas Day: KFUD

There will be no New Year's Eve service this year.

A motion was made to accept the special collections, seconded, and approved.

Pastor's Salary:

After considering and discussing district guidelines for salary and the Concordia Plan insurance and retirement funding, a motion was made to increase the Pastor's current salary level by the guidelines suggested 5% and maintain the Concordia Plan and retirement funding. The motion was seconded and approved.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded, and approved. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Steven R. Hickerson