

## **Council Meeting 03/08/26**

Members or visitors in attendance: Cheryl Snook, Darline Rappe, Alexandria Tate, Dick Davis, Christa Boileau, Kelly Tucker, John Hill, Dave Weaver, Ken Tucker, Pastor Rappe, Luke Flansch, Lori Hill and Joe Heron

Meeting opened with prayer by Ken.

Previous minutes approved and motion carried to accept the minutes.

### **REPORTS:**

Treasurer: John Hill

Maintenance: Zechariah Rappe

Elders: Dick Davis

Finance: Cheryl Snook

Education: Darline Rappe

LWML: Kelly Tucker

Altar Guild: Kelly Tucker

Evangelism: Alexandria Tate

Vice chair: Dave Weaver

Chair: Ken Tucker

Pastor: Pastor Rappe

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Treasurer: Organ maintenance and repair (m/r) fund explained- every month Barbara's current weekly payment is subtracted from \$240(which is paid weekly to the organist) and the difference is deposited into this fund, which at \$560.

A Bank of America (BoA) CD (~\$18,000) is earmarked for organ replacement. When the CD renews, the organ m/r fund is transferred to the CD.

April 2023- last organ maintenance

No other changes noted to the weekly rollup. Motion made to accept the report by Darline, motion second by Kelly- motion accepted.

Maintenance: no update for the lot reseal or mailbox issue.

3 bids received for the lot, only one written currently \$1200 from Elite Tree Service. The bid includes tree and debris removal. Motion made by Kelly to accept the bid, Dick to second the motion- motion accepted.

Stove replaced

3 locks keyed the same with owners to include Pastor and Alexandria. The 3<sup>rd</sup> key was hung above the kitchen door along with the keep that locks the kitchen door. The other keys are by John's desk. Council approved to provide Victor the yard worker a key if he desires.

Elders: Altar modifications TBD by elders and pastor this Saturday at men's bible breakfast. The space will be assessed for a specific layout and railing to be quoted by

Kivette Church Supply Store. Carpet replacement under altar to be sourced for color match and future sanctuary carpeting  
Half of the robes received old robes to be donated.  
Call list (phone tree) still being developed.

Finance: No significant updates; committee thanked for ongoing work.

Education: Preparations for Easter celebration, including egg hunt, lesson and crafts.

Altar Guild: New altar linens, purificators and baptismal napkins purchased. Plans to acquire properly sized gloves for elders.

LWML: Upcoming dual birthday party for two members turning 90, Marion and Lisa, post women's bible breakfast 18 April. Fundraiser for Agape ongoing until Easter.

Evangelism: No report.

Vice chair: No report

Pastor: Congregation registered to vote in synodical convention; no objections to voting plans  
LOCI discontinued in Charlotte; Pastor proposes hosting similar educational sessions at church post-Pentecost, with topics including the Nicene Creed and transgenderism.

No change in catechumens- Charles, Masie, Ellie and Michael

Chair: No report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Technical complexity of streaming setup noted; training additional volunteers deferred due to difficulty.

Long Range Building Committee section to be reinstated if deleted, on the church website for tracking major maintenance and renovation projects

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Constitution committee- Joe Heron, Lori Hill, Luke Flansch and Christa Boileau  
Revision 5 of the constitution addressed, and the following suggestions were made:

- **Procedural Issues:** Signing the constitution at every voter's meeting is unnecessary; suggestion to define a formal, procedural order for the council meetings
- **Bylaws vs. Constitution:** Need to separate procedural bylaws from the core constitutional document for easier updates

- **Voting Membership and Quorum:** Current definitions allow a small group to sway votes; suggestions to clarify and tighten requirements (e.g., attendance-based eligibility).
- **Council Roles:** Ambiguity over who can vote on council; recommendation to clarify in the constitution.
- **Duties and Definitions:** Need for clear definitions of roles (e.g., pastor, voting member, council member) and their responsibilities

New constitution committee to be formed, open to volunteers, with clear scope and guidance

- April 19: Voters assembly to announce constitution revision process and solicit volunteers. Council to provide direction and clarify scope before April meeting
- August 16: Target date for presenting revised constitution to congregation

**Next meeting: 12 April 2026**

**Motion made by Kelly to close the meeting, motion second by Cheryl. Motion approved. Meeting closed by pastor via prayer.**