

All Saints Lutheran Church

4800 All Saints Rd NW
Albuquerque, NM 87120

Church Council

Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2025

6:30pm

Prepared by Megan Barnes, Secretary

Attending: Pastor Kristin Schultz, Meredyth Jones, Lyndi Dittmer-Perry, Megan Barnes, Tom Becker, Daniel Mazan, Frank Orton, Larry Shy, Fabian Enriquez, Kurt Rager, and Nicole Arguello.

Not Attending:

1. Meeting Called to Order/Opening Devotion:

- a. Meredyth called the meeting to order at 6:34p.m. and Fabian shared an opening devotion with us.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Consent Agenda:

- a. Megan asked for a motion to approve the council meeting minutes for March and the financial and committee reports. Tom moved to approve the minutes, and Fabian seconded the motion. Meredyth called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Meredyth then asked for any additions to the agenda and items were added. She then asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Financial Update and Q&A:

- a. Dan reported that the last of the bill for the engineering work for the drainage repair has been paid.
- b. He also reported that we received the \$2500 owed to us from the HOA.
- c. Dan informed us that Denise Winn's authorization as a signor on the church checking account has been rescinded and Meredyth Jones should be added as a signor, which she will do this week.
- d. Dan also reported a change to the way he will be reporting finances next month. The report will include the mortgage payments, which are not accounted for in the budget.
- e. Dan also reported that we need to add overnight guest coverage for our insurance for two youth groups staying in the church this summer while they do service projects. Kristin will send the dates coverage will be needed.
- f. Dan also asked Tom for an update on painting our handicap spaces, and Tom has reported trouble connecting with the painter.

4. Property Update with Tom:

- a. After the last meeting, the HOA agrees that the wall is their responsibility.

- b. The first bid from a contractor to complete the drainage work came in at \$150,000, about three times as much as initially expected.
- c. However, hydrologists from the city think the engineer can do the repairs for a lot cheaper and simpler than original planned. The hydrologists suggested adding gutters instead of ripping up so much sidewalk. They also suggest a V drain instead of a culvert. When the church receives a second bid, the lowest bidder will meet with the city and engineer to do some reimagining and Tom expects a quick turn around on the revised plan, per the city. But we are still in limbo for a little while.
- d. Tom also reported that the irrigation drip system needs to be turned back on and hoping to have that happen next week.
- e. Three companies are interested in the landscaping and sprinkler system work the church needs to get done, and Tom and Mel will get three bids.

5. Pastor Report with Kristin:

- a. Synod assembly is going to be in Albuquerque this year and asked if we could do a Sip and Paint at the church. Council needs to approve serving any amount of alcohol. Dan moved to approve the request and Fabian seconded. Motion approved unanimously.
- b. The personnel committee got together and updated the Pastor's job description. Lyndi motioned to approve the job description and Tom seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Committee Updates:

- a. Pledge cards and brochure has been printed and will be sent out tomorrow for the capital campaign. Things will be adjusted when the drainage issue is addressed.
- b. Phone calls need to be made to encourage some people to come on Commitment Sunday. Larry, Frank, and Jim Kruger agreed to call. There will be a short training this Sunday for phone volunteers to encourage members to come. Meredyth is going to help on commitment Sunday to take pledges for people online.
- c. Meredyth provided updates from OAR. The 21st and 22nd of May will be a summit on immigration. It will cost \$40 to register. OAR has already dedicated resources to go towards housing one of the speakers. She also reported that All Saints wrote 113 letters for the Bread of the world campaign. Finally, OAR would like to do a reception in the fall for some of our state legislators.

7. Summer Meeting Business:

- a. In May we will meet on May 15th instead of May 22 to accommodate the synod assembly in Albuquerque.
- b. We also determined to take off July this year for our summer vacation.

8. Meeting Adjourned at 7:25pm with prayer.