

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

PLANNED PARISH 2025

Sunday, March 9, 2025

Council Boards: After Church in the back of the Fellowship Hall. Council (1 rep. from each board) immediately following

Agendas, Financials, & Documents will be in the pickup room.

Mission Statement: By the grace of God First English Lutheran Church will grow as one family of faith, secure in the knowledge of Christ's gift of salvation, proclaiming God's love for all.

Welcome President Jon Anderson

ALL BOARDS:

Theme verse: "*Trust Steadily, Hope Unswervingly, Love Extravagantly.*"

1 Corinthians 13:13, Faith, Hope and Love, but the greatest of these is Love.

1. The Synod Assembly will be June 6-7, at Gustavus Adolphus College. We can take three members as delegates. Any volunteers to attend? Early bird discount ends on 4/1/25 for anyone wanting to attend. Barbara has information packets in the office for any interested delegates.
2. Start recruitment efforts for board vacancies for the June election ballots
3. We have a committee of 5 members willing to meet with Zion. We are working on scheduling the date of our first meeting.
4. Please remember to let Pastor know if your board or committee is meeting and keep her abreast of activities, discussions, and decisions.
5. Next Zion/FELC partnership meeting will be April 23
6. Reminder, check compiled opportunity sheets results for volunteers (*for coffee, FWV, etc.*)
7. Review & Update Board Job Descriptions
8. Discuss backing up computer files
9. Other

Council items:

1. Approve February Minutes
2. Approve Treasurer's report.
3. Board reports
4. Approval of transfers in/out with motion from Evangelism if any (*none*)
5. Other

Lay Ministry

1. Plans for Lent:
 - a. Ash Wednesday 6:30 PM
 - b. Lenten Services-6:00 PM
Alternating locations starting 3/12 at FELC
 - c. Maundy Thursday Zion 7:00 PM
 - d. Good Friday FELC 7:00 PM
 - e. Fairway View Lenten Services
Ash Wednesday 1:00 PM
March 12, 19, 26
April 2, 9, 16 1:00 PM
 - f. April 20 FELC Easter Services
7:00 am
8:00 am Easter breakfast
9:00 am
2. Accept Committee reports:
 - a. WAM
 - b. Endowment (*none*)
 - c. Finance Work Group (*none*)
3. Approve changes to job descriptions.
4. Make sure that the call committee has been contacted and activated to start the call process. They need to be actively moving forward with the call process.
5. May 11th – will need lay leader
6. Other

Evangelism

1. Lent, Easter, and/or Holy Week ads. April 20th is Easter.
2. Transfers in/out?
3. Review of February 23rd Game Day
4. Review of Just For the Love of It
5. Meals before Lenten Services, coordinating with Zion-Marge is chairing this - 5:15-5:45
6. Other

Christian Education

1. VBS 2025 plans, partnership with Zion, June 8-12.
2. Sunday School to sing at a Sunday service pm April 13th, Palm Sunday
3. Not sure yet on how many communion chalices are needed for first communion. Schedule:
Zion: Tuesdays, March 18 & 25, 3:30-4:30, make-up date April 1
FELC: March 20 & 27, 3:30-4:30, make up April 3
Communion classes will be 2nd grade and up, unless arrangements have been made with Pastor Cheryl
4. Review Milestones for each grade level. Any changes for next year?
5. Status of filling board vacancies?
6. Current board members should let new members know about the importance of planning ahead for any music that'll be used in worship & therefore streamed on Facebook. Must get permission to use copyrighted materials, which can take time.
7. Other

Youth & Family Ministry

1. Super Sub summary.
2. Easter breakfast plans with having a 7am service.
3. Plans for senior recognition Sunday, May 18th.
4. Fund raising update and planning.
5. Plans for ELCA Youth Gathering and other potential summer events/trips.
6. Plans for junior and senior high youth gatherings.
7. Status of filling board vacancies?
8. Review new policies that were set for confirmation/youth group. How are things going?
9. Plans for youth activities for the summer, to be done jointly with Zion youth
10. Other

Stewardship

1. Review bulletin offering changes
2. March Good News
3. Status of filling board vacancies?
4. Other

Church Properties

1. Update on Dover Cimarron 25 Elevator Needing Mandatory Upgrade before 2026 (Lagerquist Elevators seems to be MEI now. Phone 800-450-3060) <https://meiusa.com/>
2. Spring Projects
 - a. Spring Cleaning Date & Ideas?
3. Status of filling board vacancies?
4. Ongoing needs at church as funds allow:
 - a. Fellowship hall ceiling repair/replacement
 - b. Paint hallways-volunteers?
 - c. Carpet over asbestos tiles
 - d. Sanctuary painting
5. Other

**Next Meeting: Sunday, April 13, 2025
After Church.**