

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLANNED PARISH 2025 MAY

Sunday, May 11, 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:

1. The Synod Assembly will be June 6-7, at Gustavus Adolphus College. We can take three members as delegates. We have 0 so far. Any volunteers to attend? Pastor Cheryl is registered with Zion, not FELC. Barbara has information packets in the office for any interested delegates.
2. Finalize recruitment efforts for board vacancies and send names to Barbara to add to the election ballot to approve at June board meeting.
3. Annual election meeting following the service on 6/22/25 and installation of board members at the service on 6/29/25.
4. Repair or replace handheld microphone / sound system?
5. Decide on a new day & time for the council to meet in so that Pastor Cheryl & Barbara can attend.
6. Review Pastor Cheryl's FELC & Zion Annual Planning Schedule and please remember to let Pastor know if your board or committee is meeting and keep her abreast of activities, discussions, and decisions so we can be on the same page.
7. Other

Council items:

1. Approve April minutes.
2. Approve Treasurer's report.
3. Approval of transfers in/out with motion from Evangelism
4. Board reports.
5. Other

Lay Ministry

1. Review/accept submitted reports from:
 - a. WAM
 - b. Endowment (*none*)
 - c. Finance (*none*)
2. Review Holy Week & Easter Services
3. Crosses ordered for Senior acolyte gifts for May 18th service?
4. Kirsten Karels joining Lay Ministry. Others?
5. Tech Desk Training, who will lead / train for these?
6. Create a job description for W/A/M
7. Formal approval of Barbara & Pastor's summer schedules:
 - a. Barbara: Mon 8-3, Tues 8-noon, Wed 8-noon, Thurs 8-3, & Fri 8-noon. 6 hours less per week, but will cover as needed for extra things like funerals.
 - b. Pastor: Mon 9-3, Tues (at Zion) 11-5, Wed 11-5, Thurs 9-3, Fri & Sat at home sermon prep & writing, Sun 7:30-Noon. (All times are flexible due to funerals, & other activities that come up.)
8. Other

Evangelism

1. Transfers in/out
2. Discuss summer monthly hymn sing at Fairway View. Dates?
3. Decide on when to have a Mission emphasis Sunday and what that emphasis will be.
4. Report on Mother's Day gifts.
5. Status of filling board vacancies? Deb Henningson joining – Jane staying? Any others?
6. Discuss Evangelism reaching out to prospective members from friendship pads.
7. MN Twins Game Interest Report
8. Outdoor Game Night Summer Plans?
9. Other

Christian Education

1. Update on VBS 2025 plans following the meeting with Zion.
 - a. Will be held June 8-12 @ Zion.
 - b. Theme is "Wonder Junction"
 - c. VBS Meeting at Zion May 14th at 6:00 pm
 - d. VBS Training at Zion May 28th at 6:30 pm
2. Senior recognition/acolyte gifts for Sunday, May 18th.
3. Begin planning for next year's Sunday School
4. Status of filling board vacancies? Beth Fladhammer? Others?
5. Other

Youth & Family Ministry

1. Plans for senior recognition Sunday on May 18th. Juniors & parents to serve fellowship.
 - a. Barbara is ordering two half sheet cakes for after service coffee.
2. Plans for potential summer events or trips?
 - a. Zion planned Youth Evening Campfire Activities at June 18, July 16, Aug. 20th (FELC invited)
3. 17 Youth attending Green Lake Bible Camps this summer.
4. The Endowment Committee approved giving \$100 to each of the students attending Green Lake Bible camps this summer.
5. Status of filling board vacancies?
 - a. Kari is leaving, can Ashleigh now attend a different day/time?
 - b. Any other potential members?
6. Other

Stewardship

1. May Good News
2. Summer Stewardship ideas?
3. Status of filling board vacancies?
 - a. Darin's term is ending
4. Other

Church Properties

1. Spring clean-up planned for May 12th @ 6:00p, with May 19th as a back-up date.
2. Update on Elevator Needing Mandatory Upgrade before 2026
 - a. Bids from MEI, OTIS, & TKE
3. Status of filling board vacancies?
4. Sidewalk sinking – Solution?
5. Bell Tower leak update
6. 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
7. Other

Next Meeting: June 8, 2025, After Church.