

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
Annual Congregational Meeting
January 30, 2022

1. Call to Order

Council President Olga Blanchard called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.

2. Opening Prayer

Pastor Jeff led the meeting attendees in prayer.

3. Appointment of Tellers and Parliamentarian

President Blanchard announced the tellers: John Blanchard, David Gregor, Ken Olson, and David Bruce. David Gregor was absent, and Tom Reynolds assisted. Ann Bruce served as the Parliamentarian.

4. Approval of the 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes

Motion: Elaine Carlson moved to approve the 2021 Annual Meeting minutes. Jeanne Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Review of 2021 Staff and Council Reports

President Blanchard asked if there were any questions about the 2021 staff and council reports. There was one correction to the quilts report. Forty-seven quilts were distributed in 2021, not 147 as stated in the report.

Review of the 2022 Mission Spending Plan

John Brown, CELC administrator, reviewed the 2021 financials. John thanked Ann Bruce, treasurer, and Sharoll Blodgett for their assistance with the church financials.

2021 income was \$419,080. This was \$11,673 more than last year. Expenses this year were \$417,899. John indicated that we were able to complete several big-ticket property maintenance projects this year, including the replacement of two air conditioner units, the installation of LED lighting in Building B sanctuary and additional outdoor lighting to the campus, and new signs.

The proposed 2022 Mission Spending Plan includes a 5% increase in salaries. The rental fees have also been increased 5%. A break-even budget was prepared. If the money is not available, we do not spend it.

The mortgage balance is \$879,839.08.

Motion: Jim Harmon moved to approve the financial reports as presented. Wes Yost seconded the motion. Motion carried.

6. Declaration of Quorum

President Blanchard confirmed with the tellers that a quorum was present.

7. Nominating Committee Report

President Blanchard presented the nominations for Council positions. She then asked for nominations for each position, from the floor. Hearing none, nominations closed.

- a. Outreach - 2-year term - Jeri Nawotka
- b. Fellowship - 2-year term - Cher Johnson
- c. Education – 2-year term – Magan Ratalasky
- d. Stewardship – 1-year term – Connie Sornsin
- e. Worship & Music – 2-year term – Su Erickson

8. Casting of Written Congregational Ballot

Ballots were distributed to attendees and votes were cast for Council members and the 2022 Mission Spending Plan.

There were fifty-six ballots cast with the following results:

Jeri Nawotka - Outreach 2-year term (56 votes)

Cher Johnson – Fellowship 2-year term (55 votes)

Magan Ratalasky – Education 2-year term (56 votes)

Connie Sornsin – Stewardship 1-year term (55 votes)

Su Erickson – Worship & Music 2-year term (56 votes)

The 2022 Mission Spending Plan was approved. (54 votes)

9. Appointment to the Audit Committee for Three-year Term

The current 2022 Audit Committee consists of Jim Erickson, Tom Reynolds, and Darrell Bjornson. Jim will complete his term this year. President Blanchard asked for a volunteer for the 2023 audit team. Hearing none, the Council will name someone to the 2023 audit team.

10. Outgoing 2021 Council Member Gifts

President Blanchard and Pastor Gallen thanked outgoing council members for serving and presented them with a gift. Connie Sornsin – Fellowship, Kay Myers – Outreach, and Mike Berg – Education.

Su Erickson, council vice president thanked Olga for her leadership as council president.

11. Closing Comments and Prayer

Questions and comments from members included the importance of communication and whether solar power for the church is still being investigated. President Blanchard reminded everyone that the office sends out regular announcements via email weekly, and that the council minutes

are available on the church website. Members may contact the council president or other council members with questions and comments at any time. Pictures of council members are on the website. Randy Heibel stated that solar is still being considered, and John Brown said there is also some money available in a designated solar fund. Miloy Canete discussed recruiting paid interns from ASU to sing with our choir and assist with office work. Pastor Jeff commented on his upcoming sabbatical, May-July 2022 which was postponed in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic.

Members were thanked for attending and reminded to stay for the special meeting, immediately to follow the conclusion of this meeting.

Intern Dan led attendees in a closing prayer and The Lord's Prayer.

12. Adjournment

Stevie Henderson moved to adjourn the meeting. Dave Bruce seconded. President Blanchard adjourned the 2022 Annual Congregational Meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Su Erickson, Vice President and Ann Bruce, Treasurer

(Gayle Williams, Secretary, moved out of state in September 2021)

Approved January 29, 2023

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Special Congregational Meeting

January 30, 2022

1. Call to Order

President Olga Blanchard called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. A quorum was present to conduct business.

2. Memorandum of Understanding

Motion: Tom Reynolds moved to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church and Alleluia as written. Jim Capelli seconded.

Laura Krueger, President of the Alleluia council was present to answer any questions. There was some discussion about the inspection report that was received. Both CELC and Alleluia agreed that there were no real surprises, and the building was in relatively good shape for its age. Some of the repairs are currently being addressed by Alleluia. The CELC feasibility task force continues to work on due diligence.

A vote was taken, and the motion was approved. 49 yes, 7 no.

Alleluia will vote on the Memorandum Sunday, February 6, 2022, at their annual meeting.

3. Adjournment

Carol Moonan moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Sharoll Blodgett. The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Su Erickson, Council Vice President

Approved January 29, 2023