

Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes
Following Christ, Growing in Faith, Sharing God's Love
February 5, 2023

- A. Call to Order and Opening Prayer: After partaking in lunch, the meeting was called to order by Jill Thompson at 12:23 pm. This meeting was held in-person and via Zoom, for those who were unable to attend in person. A quorum was verified, with 103 in-person and 24 on-line. Jill Thompson opened in prayer.
- B. Approval of today's Congregational Meeting Agenda. Betty Gibson moved to approve as presented, Clara Anderson seconded. Approved Unanimously
- C. Approval of Congregational Meeting Minutes:
 - Special Meeting 3/6/22
 - Mid-Year Congregational meeting 6/5/22
 - Special Meeting 7/10/22No questions, discussion, or changes were made. Urb Molitor moved to approve the minutes as presented. Steve Spoerle seconded the motion.
Approved Unanimously
- D. Constitutional Changes: presented by Lanny Schnipper. These changes were recommendations from our Synod. They are primarily language changes to Sections C10.08 and C12.04 (d). No questions or discussion on either. Jim Anderson made a motion to pass, and was seconded by Rick Hautekeete. A written vote was taken by members. With 119 ballots cast (102 in person/17 virtual), the changes were passed unanimously.
- E. 2022 Financial Report: presented by Troy Larson
(See handout) Less funds were spent on salaries due to staffing differences throughout the year. The HVAC was needed to be replaced from PPP proceeds.
- F. 2023 Stewardship Plans: presented by Rock Foster. The plea for money is often the only thing that we think of as Stewardship. We also fulfill the mission by volunteering our time and gifts.
- G. Celebrating Our Ministries I: Video made by request of the Stewardship Committee, and introduced by Pr. Josh.
- H. 2023 Budget Proposal: presented by Troy Larson.
(See handout) Expenses and inflation have affected the budget. We have not seen any real increases in giving at this time. A balanced budget was presented. No questions or discussion. Joel Bretscher moved to accept the

proposal, Bob Fingland seconded. Proposal was passed unanimously. A written vote was taken by members. With 118 ballots cast (101 in person/17 virtual), the Budget was passed, with 117 Yes votes, and 1 abstention.

I. Lead Pastor's Report: presented by Pr. Josh Brecht.

Vision: Be Known, Know Others, Do Ministry, Grow Spiritually Although we are connected by technology in more ways than ever, we still see that people are just as lonely as ever. We all need a sense of purpose. Good Shepherd has an abundance of Ministry opportunities available to help us meet the goals of our Vision.

J. Celebrating Our Ministries II – Come to the Oscars: hosted by Jill Thompson

Our Ministries exist because of the wonderful volunteers who use their spiritual gifts and fulfilling their ministries. All volunteers were honored; special recognition was given to those who offered their gifts in special ways. AND THE OSCAR GOES TO

Children & Family Ministry: Viki & Gene Longfield, Katherine Van Horn, Denise Sept

Youth Ministry: Kayla Dye, LauraTjernagal-Fine

Fellowship Ministry: Diane Unverfehrt, Carol Ziemann

Music Ministry: Nancy Stelmachowicz

Worship Leaders: Janie Wolfangel

Audio Video Ministry: Jim Morell, Erik Oswald

Welcome Ministry: Elliott and Vicki Haugen

Leadership Ministry: Urb and Annette Molitor

Service Ministry: Gary, Karen, and Kristen Kallansrud, Steve Spoerle

Congregational Care Ministry: Barb Rouse, who is missed dearly

Facilities Management Ministry: Mike Kelley

K. Closing Prayer & Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Bret Spoerle, with Greg Mueller seconding this motion. Passed unanimously. Pr. Josh closed the meeting with a prayer.

Adjournment at 1:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Jan Thompson, Congregation Secretary