

Council Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2026

ATTENDANCE: S. Bear, H. DeFranco, Pastor D. Hartfield, M. Hylinski, D. Larsen, P. Mason, Pastor J. Miller-Stubbendick, S. Raszkievicz, K. Richter, A. Schroeder, L. Zanin; Pastor Kristin

ABSENT: A. Beer

Discussion Topics

1. **Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 6:32PM
2. **Opening Prayer/Devotion:** Stephanie
3. Transition of a Pastor Discussion with Pastor Kristin – The council reviewed the “*Our Pastor Is Leaving—Now What?*” transition document and discussed key steps for preparing for Pastor Debbie’s departure.

Ending Well

- Emphasis on giving the congregation and Pastor Debbie time for goodbyes and expressions of gratitude.
- Council encouraged to address any critical matters with Pastor Debbie before her departure to support a healthy transition.
- An exit interview will be part of the process.

Immediate Needs After Departure (First 4–6 Weeks)

- Identify what ministry responsibilities will be vacated and ensure coverage.
- Determine whether supply preachers will be needed.
- Encourage open communication among council members to clarify which tasks require immediate attention and who will take them on.

Long-Term Considerations

- Use this transition as an opportunity to revisit long-term goals for the congregation.
- Consider whether additional day-to-day support is needed.
- Discuss the possibility of an associate pastor and the interim process (not the same as the interim period used when searching for a lead pastor).
- Acknowledge that needs may evolve and that variability is expected.

Key Priorities Identified

- Ensuring adequate pastoral care coverage.
- Supporting Pastor Jordan appropriately during the transition.
- Making the best decisions possible with current information, with the understanding that plans may need to be revisited.
- Reviewing Section 3 of the transition document, noting that much of the recent lead-pastor search process can be adapted rather than rebuilt from scratch.
- Affirmation that it is acceptable not to have all answers immediately.

Leadership Needs and Call Process

- Review of Section 6: clarifying what kind of leader the congregation will seek.
- Importance of ensuring any new pastoral leader can work collaboratively with Pastor Jordan.
- Noted that this process is typically shorter than a lead-pastor search.
- Call committee formation will follow constitutional requirements.
- Both Pastor Kristin and Pastor Jordan would participate in interviewing call committee candidates.
- Council’s role is to ensure a clear, accountable process and to monitor progress.

Follow-Up

- Council members were encouraged to reach out to Pastor Kristin with questions after taking time to reflect on the information provided.
- 4. Approval of Council Agenda for Apr. 16, 2026:** **P. Mason** made a motion to approve the agenda with the adjustments of adding the 2026-2027 MMRP and a Nominating Update; **S. Raszkwicz** seconded. All in favor.
 - 5. Approval of Special Council Meeting Minutes Mar. 8, 2026:** **D. Larsen** made a motion to approve the meeting minutes; **P. Mason** seconded. All in favor.
 - 6. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes Feb. 19, 2026:** **D. Larsen** made a motion to approve the meeting minutes with correction of action items to May and where Andrea mentioned updating the constitution change the date to 2026 that she mentioned it instead of 2025; **P. Mason** seconded. All in favor.
 - 7. Treasurer's report:** – See attached. Discussion ensued about the mortgage coming up for renewal. Finance is discussing and will come with a recommendation.
 - 8. President's report:** – Attended Lutherdale annual meeting on March 1st. Impressed with how they have improved their buildings.
 - 9. Pastor's Reports**
 - 1. Pastor Jordan**– See attached. Pastor Jordan, Andy and Keith are meeting on **4/28** to start the discussion about what the church needs and options. Send any thoughts, immediate needs etc. to Andy.
 - 2. Pastor Debbie** – See attached.
 - 10. Old Business**
 - 1. 2026-2027 MMRP** – the ministries received worksheets to begin working on their budgets for next year. If you have any questions reach out to Keith and Dan N to work through them.
 - 11. New Business**
 - 1. Motion on the TruStone Financial CD** – Keith made the motion, D. Larsen seconded.
 - 2. Motion to change Pastor Debbie as a signatory for the Good Samaritan Fund to Pastor Jordan** – **P. Mason made the motion, L. Zanin Seconded. Motioned passed.**
 - 3. Use of SMLC as a facility for ICE verifier training** – **S. Raszkwicz** made a motion to allow Cush to provide verifier training at SMLC once a month, dates to be determined; **P. Mason** seconded. All in favor.
 - 4. Synod Assembly** – May 29/30th. SMLC can have 3 plus 1 under 30 that can attend. If anyone is interested, let Andy know. Andy can announce to congregation this weekend. SMLC will pay the cost.
 - 5. Property Update on Heating Units** – end of March heating went out on the basement south side 1959 addition. Water was leaking down there from a supply pipe. Looking at replacing bad valves, repipe hot water boiler supplier, and will need asbestos abatement. Team getting numbers on what this will cost.

MINISTRY REPORTS & MOTIONS

Ministry	Liaison	Notes	Motions
Audit	Keith		None
Caring Ministries	P. Deb/ Jordan		None
Church in Society	Patti	See attached report	None

Education—> Faith Formation	Andrea/ P. Deb		None
Finance	Keith		None
Friendly Center	Lisa		None
I. Technology	Andrea/ Keith		None
Nominating	Dana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The needs of nominating. Who is up for reelection, vacated seats. • Andy, Hollie and Markie are up for reelection, all are eligible for a second consecutive term. • Depending on these decisions we might have 3 available seats. • Last year voted to reduce council seats to 9 in 2027-2028 • This next year we will have 10. • Need to also work on getting people for the nominating committee. • Alice, Chris, Dana and one more. It is a 2 year commitment and each year vote on 2 members. • This is Chris's second year. Alice was reelected. 	None
Personnel	Andy		None
Property	Keith		None
Reconnect Hospitality & Fellowship	Hollie		None
Stewardship	Stephanie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very positive leadership meeting. • Passed around a slip for names that would good candidates for the renewal. • There were 19 names provided for the Adventures in Renewal team. • Will meet with Executive team in May to discuss the names. 	None
WMA	Markie		None
Youth/Sunday School	Sandy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached reports • A new computer is needed by Kendra in addition to one for the Good Friday service. • Go sit down with Andrea to tell her what is needed to get a quote, and then Council will vote. • This needs to get on the rotation of SMLC computers and will go on the church budget. • The tv in the youth room was damaged and needs to be replaced. • Youth committee should send a letter to Kids Castle and Boys Scouts asking if they know anything that may have happened to it. Have Michelle, Dave Frost, and Andy sign the letter. • TV costs about \$300 	None

Discussion points that need to be highlighted and motions that are needed from Council (anything over \$500)

10.Council Connection concerns: April – Stephanie-no concerns brought forth.

PARKING LOT

Topic	Date Entered	Notes/Updates
Volunteer/Staff Appreciation	19 Jun 2025	
Collecting Information on members' businesses and skills	14 Dec 2023	
Getting to Know a St Mary's Member	14 Dec 2023	
Church Service Analysis Update		
Protecting Places of Worship	16 Nov 2023	Mentioned again 11/20/25
Ministry Role and Responsibilities		
Church Renewal	21 Aug 2025	

DOCUMENT UPDATES

Title	Date Entered	Committee	Notes	Due Date
Emergency Closure		Executive		
Constitution/By-Laws Reformat/Rewrite		Executive	1/15/26: A. Beer brought up that it is important that this document get updated/complete re-write and on it.	
Memorial Giving Policy		Finance		
Chapel Lounge Monitor Training/Guidance				
150th Anniversary Historical Booklet/Video	17 Nov 2025		Keith	30 June 2026

ACTION ITEMS

Item	Date Entered	Notes	Responsible person if applicable	Due Date
Website feedback	02.19.26	Send your feedback to Andrea and Keith by May 1 to discuss at next IT meeting.		Enter as old business agenda item for May Meeting

13. UPCOMING EVENTS

- A. **April 23:** Deadline for The Spirit
 - B. **May 9/10:** Good Samaritan Fund Weekend
 - C. **May 10:** Mother's Day
 - D. **May 17:** Confirmation Sunday, last Sunday School
 - E. **May 18:** Last FISH
 - F. **May 20:** Last Fusion
 - G. **May 21:** Next Council Meeting
 - H. **May 23:** No Saturday worship at SMLC (Memorial Day Weekend)
 - I. **May 24:** Combined Kenosha ELCA Worship at Trinity 9am
 - J. **May 29/30:** GMS Assembly
 - K. **May 30/31:** Pastor Fursan Zumot from Palestine preaching at SMLC
 - L. **May 31:** Pastor Fursan Zumot event about being a Christian in the Holy Land at 4pm
 - M. **June TBC:** Youth Bingo
 - N. **June 07:** Senior Sunday
 - O. **July 04:** No Saturday worship at SMLC
 - P. **July 05:** Combined Worship at Spirit Alive 10:45 AM
 - Q. **July 12:** Kingfish Game (\$16/ticket)
 - R. **July 26:** Annual Meeting Date & Good Samaritan Fund Weekend
15. Prayer Requests/Closing Prayer: [Andy](#)
16. Adjournment – [Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM](#)

2025-2026 Council Connections				2025-2026 Ministry of the Month Temple Talk			
Aug 25	Keith	Feb 26	Andrea	Aug 25	Youth	Feb 26	Finance/Stewardship
Sept 25	Andy	March 26	Andy	Sept 25	WELCA/Property	March 26	Friendly Center
Oct 25	Hollie	April 26	Stephanie	Oct 25	WMA	April 26	Nominating
Nov 25	Patti	May 26	Markie	Nov 25	Care Ministry	May 26	Nominating
Dec 25	Lisa	June 26	Patti	Dec 25	Endowment	June 26	CIS
Jan 26	Sandy	July 26	Dana	Jan 26	Personnel	July 26	Education/Faith Formation

March 2026 TREASURER'S REPORT

St. Mary's Lutheran Church - Treasurer's Report - March 31, 2026

General Operating Fund

Beginning Balance	(26,201.02)
March Income	43,777.20
March Expenses	<u>(42,678.84)</u>
Cumulative Profit (Loss)	<u>(25,102.66)</u>

Dedicated Accounts

Operating Reserve Beginning Balance	9,603.51
-Receipts	0.00
-Disbursements	<u>0.00</u>
Operating Reserve Ending Balance	<u>9,603.51</u>

Long-Term Reserve Beginning Balance	71,178.68
-Receipts	0.00
-Disbursements	<u>0.00</u>
Long-Term Reserve Ending Balance	<u>71,178.68</u>

Building/Grounds Beginning Balance	7,969.58
-Receipts	0.00
-Disbursements	<u>0.00</u>
Building/Grounds Ending Balance	<u>7,969.58</u>

Investment Accounts Beginning Balance	123,641.57
-Receipts -	
Investment Accounts Ending Balance	<u>123,641.57</u>

Other Dedicated Accounts Ending Balance	<u>104,391.70</u>
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Total Fund Balances	<u><u>291,682.38</u></u>
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Bank / Investment Account Balances

Checking Account	31,300.61
Money Market Account	260,381.77
Investment Accounts CD closed mar 26 in money mkt	0.00

Total Current Assets	<u><u>291,682.38</u></u>
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Difference	<u><u>0.00</u></u>
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Mortgage Balance	<u><u>257,609.62</u></u>
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Pastor Jordan Miller-Stubbendick

Pastor's Report

April 16, 2026

St. Mary's Lutheran Church, Kenosha, Wisconsin

In light of Pastor Debbie's retirement, St. Mary's is given the opportunity to slow down and listen to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We don't know exactly where the Spirit will take us, but we can address this change in our communal life in a healthy way, with honesty and creativity. I will offer leadership, and I will need you to be part of the process, too.

Some of my concerns include making sure that those in need of pastoral support are cared for. In conversation with Nurse Sue, I will be taking care of those with acute needs (i.e., when someone is in the hospital or actively dying), while care ministers will tend to people who need companionship and communion on an ongoing basis.

We will need additional pastoral care support, since Pastor Debbie had a regular schedule of people she visited. More care ministers would be very helpful, as well as potentially engaging a part-time pastor or seminarian.

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As a faith community, we have the responsibility to welcome community members, while also tending to the safety and wellbeing of the people of St. Mary's. Please do your part to make sure that people who try to gain access to our building are supposed to be here. Recently, a PremiStar employee was doing some work in the building, and let a community member in the building because "they looked like they were supposed to be here." Everything turned out fine, but this happened to be the day when there was a manhunt for a murder suspect a few blocks away. Please make sure that unknown people are properly identified before being allowed entry into the building.

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The last worship service for Grace Lutheran Church will be on Sunday, May 17 at 3 pm.

At a previous meeting, the Kenosha ELCA pastors and church council presidents agreed to host a meal for the people of Grace after this, so they don't have to essentially prepare and serve their own funeral meal.

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I am thrilled that my friend Pastor Fursan Zumot from Palestine will be at St. Mary's to preach on both Saturday, May 30 and Sunday, May 31! I will also be present at both of those services.

Pastor Fursan would like to offer a presentation on being Christian in the Holy Land. I propose that we host this at St. Mary's and invite other area churches and community members. How does Sunday, May 31 at 4 pm sound? Once we have set a date, time, and location, we will publicize it to other ELCA congregations and the community.

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I am hopeful that my trip to Palestine that was supposed to happen in March will be rescheduled for June. We hope to know by late May/June 1 whether this trip will take place. If so, I would be gone from June 23-July 5. Supply pastor coverage has already been arranged for the weekend of June 27/28, and the weekend of July 4/5 is one of the Kenosha ELCA combined worship services.

Pastor Debbie Hartfield Report
Pastor's Report
(02/17/26 → 04/15/26)
Congregation Council Meeting, April 16, 2026

- Pastoral Activities
 - Congregation member pastoral care
 - Home visit
 - Residential care visits
 - Phone calls
 - Texts
 - Preach/preside Sat/Sun, February 21st /22nd
 - Preside – Ash Wednesday - Feb. 18th, Easter- April 5th, April 12th
 - On-call coverage for Pr. Jordan, March 10th - March 16th
 - Funeral - March 18th
 - Easter Vigil worship reader at Carthage (joint Kenosha/Racine churches), April 4th
- Steve ended up in the ER Sunday, February 22nd, followed by a couple of nights in the hospital, resulting in a diagnosis of afib. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as on-going treatment and additional procedures are necessary to get him out of afib.
- I missed the staff meeting scheduled for Feb. 24th because of my need to be in the hospital with Steve.
- A third meeting was held March 2nd to further define and develop the plans for the Leadership Retreat, scheduled for Saturday, April 11th. Pastor Jordan, Stephanie Raszkiwicz, and I finalized the agenda. A fourth meeting, with Pastor Jordan, Stephanie, and myself to review the final agenda, materials and details of the Leadership Retreat was held April 7th.
- A group of St. Mary's members met at the Siena Retreat Center on February 23rd to experience a Taizé Worship service. As this was during Lent, the contemplative service was especially meaningful. We were also able to spend time with Sister Carol, who once served as the Director of Friendly Center at St. Mary's!
- My family and I had a wonderful vacation (March 25th -31st) in California where we celebrated our youngest son's wedding!
- The Leadership Retreat was held Saturday, April 11th. Leaders of the various ministries, along with the Congregation Council, gathered to review the Adventures in Renewal process, experience a *Dwelling In the Word* activity, discuss potential next steps, and share a meal. Thank you to Pr. Jordan for a lovely devotion that helped center us as we began our time together. Thank you to all who participated and shared their thoughts and names of potential people who might be considered being part of a Core Team that would be partnered with a Coach in the Adventures in Renewal process. Stephanie is collecting names of people and will be meeting with the Executive Committee to determine next steps.

- It was wonderful using the ashes from the burned palm branches on Ash Wednesday! Palm branches this year have been set aside to burn next year as part of the preparation for Ash Wednesday. Since burning palm branches produces many ashes, perhaps they can be shared with other churches next year.
- Administration/Meetings/Conference
 - Synod meeting with Pr. Kristin, February 26th
 - Leadership Retreat Planning meetings #3 and #4 w/Pr. Jordan & Stephanie Raszkievicz, March 2nd & Apr. 11th
 - Pastor Jordan & Pastor Debbie 1:1, March 2nd, March 19th
 - SALT meeting, March 2nd (Kenosha ELCA Council Presidents and Clergy)
 - Executive Committee, March 4th & April 13th
 - Special Council meeting, March 8th (announcement of my resignation and retirement)
 - Letter of resignation/retirement completed and shared with congregation, March 9th
 - WMA Meeting, March 10th
 - Exit interview with Council and synod rep, Pr. Kristin, April 14th
 - Monthly Pastor's Report to Council completed, April 15th
 - Council meeting, April 19th
- Looking Ahead – Retirement

Thank you for your faithfulness and leadership as St. Mary's continues to be a community of believers who genuinely love each other, care for each other, show up for each other, and strives to reflect the love of Jesus beyond the walls of St. Mary's! I will be forever grateful for my time with you as your Pastor!

As I retire, I will continue to keep St. Mary's in my prayers. Please also keep me and my family in your prayers. As Steve continues to get a handle on his afib, we welcomed a new son-in-law, are looking forward to welcoming a new grandchild in August and we just learned that we will be growing our family with a new daughter-in-law soon! Resurrection life continues in all its beautiful ways! Peace be with all of you! God is good and God is faithful!

This is the blessing I shared with the congregation on my last Sunday at St. Mary's (4/12/2026).

May the Lord watch between you and me,
While we are absent, one from the other.
And may God keep us in perfect peace and love,
until we meet again.

In the name of the ✠ Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

With much love – Shalom,
Pastor Debbie Hartfield

Church in Society Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2026

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 in the Library. Members present included Steve Hartfield, Anne Winkle and Kathy Neururer

Steve did the devotions for the meeting.

Minutes from the last meeting on February 12, 2026 we approved.

Financial Report: Budget #6201 \$0.00 (\$300. sent to Bread for the World)

Dedicated Account #3243 \$468.09 (\$162.00 for Outreach summer camp snacks)

Fair Trade Coffee Fund #3208 no updated information. February total was \$625.90

Old Business:

No current report on Afghan refugees. Keep them and other refugees in your prayers.

Other Old Business: Grace church is for sale for \$175,000. Date of the final service is pending.

New Business:

Fair Trade Products: Saturday, April 18 – self-serve set up

Sunday, April 19 – Anne, Margaret, Kathy

Christmas in July – Kathy reported she will be meeting with Beth to work on bookmarks which will be handed out to members of the congregation with information about Christmas in July. Also looking at donation boxes to replace a handmade one from several years ago.

Shalom Center – Steve reported a fundraiser will be held at the Stella on May 7, 2026 featuring a buffet dinner and live entertainment. The theme is Home Begins with Hope. Tickets will be \$125 each.

Breaking the Chains Ministry – Steve will continue to work with this ministry and be responsible for the gift bags and Christmas cards before the holidays.

Kenosha Welcome Center – Anne reported the number of families seeking help has increased. Their fundraiser was very successful. The lawsuit with Grace Lutheran has been settled.

Any Other New Business:

Supporters of Shelter – Kathy reported this group is attempting to help provide housing for homeless when the temperature becomes very cold. Information provided to the group reports people afflicted with frostbite which on occasion has developed into gangrene necessitating amputation.

CUSH – ICE training will be provided for people to be aware of ICE activity occurring in the area. Tours of five participating partner churches will be provided for CUSH members.

Outreach Center – lost a \$25,000 grant that helped to provide the summer program for youth. Some of that money has been replaced by individuals as well as the St. Mary's Endowment Foundation.

Next CIS meeting will be Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 1 pm in the library.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 with the Lord's Prayer.

Kathy Neururer

CIS

Property Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 2nd 2026

MOTIONS TO BRING TO COUNCIL:

HIGHLIGHTS/TOPICS FOR COUNCIL GUIDANCE:

ATTENDANCE: Dave Frost, Christine Johnson, Ralph Tollas, Dave Raszkievicz.

ABSENT:

DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. **Call to order: 5:35 PM**
2. **Opening Prayer/Devotion:**
3. **Distribute Property Committee Agenda**
4. **Approval of Property Committee Meeting Minutes from 2/2/25.**
5. **Old Business:**
 - a. **See parking lot items.**
6. **New Business**
 - a. City of Kenosha voting 04/06/26:
 - Voting Set Up Monday 4/6 @ 3:00 pm – Need someone(Ralph) to set out tables and chairs, meet city crew for set up.
 - Voting Day Tuesday 4/7 – Dave F to meet and open building to let them in at 6:00; doors unlocked 7:00am-8:00pm; Dave F to meet after voting to close building.
 - Voting Clean Up Wednesday 4/8 @ 9:00am – Dave F to meet city crew for equipment removal and put away tables and chairs.
 - b. Property Committee 12-month review of Lemberg EMC sign installation 03/31/25.
 - Sent email to Lemberg providing Adam with names of people at Lemberg Sign for contacting about tripping offline. Lemberg said there was a software patch to solve the problem.
 - c. Midwest Alarm has not responded to our request to fix
 - d. Lift could use outriggers to go much higher – Discussed with Ben, probably very expensive to buy OEM outriggers, will look into what would be required to make them.
 - e. Other light bulb replacements – Replaced the following: (2) West Carport round lights, (1) under eave flood light on both east and west sides. Need to buy more LED flood light bulbs – Dave will look into this.
 - f. Call Town and Country Window and Door about gaps in doors.
 - g. Paint East Narthex South wall. *No change, waiting for quotes to patch, prime, and paint*
 - h. Repair Sanctuary East & West drywall walls and paint. *Need an estimate. Angie Brienen*
 - i. Gym Floor (in summer: midweek after 08/11/26, from account 7206 Building Maintenance): Deep clean, rinse, and buff with neutral cleaner. (Firehouse Estimate \$1,827.15). Can Jennifer from Clean & Green quote this also?
 - j. Budget review 2026
7. **Parking Lot items (if applicable):**
 - A. Dave Raszkievicz concrete bench ends for use at exterior of east narthex entrance area: bench ends have been power washed, recommended to NOT use solid core plastic wood and**

use treated lumber instead, with red stain. [bench length for 3 people ~49-1/2", plan to cut 8' 2" x4" in half for bench] *No change*

B. Property Committee 11-month review of Lemberg EMC sign installation (March 2026).

C. Gym Floor cleaning set up time, next year's budget.

D. Upgrade fluorescent lighting in 1W, Choir, Sacristy, Sunday School Office, 3W, and 4E.

E. Chair lift for basement.

F. Lift to clean ceiling fans?

8. Upcoming Calendar of Events:

a. Next Property Committee Meeting Monday, April 6th at 5:30 PM 1W.

9. Closing Prayer: Amen, Alleluia.

10. Adjournment: 6:27PM

Meeting Minutes Submitted by: David Raszkiewicz

Sunday School Meeting Minutes

Date: March 15, 2026 10:10-10:35

ATTENDANCE: Joan Oehlberg, Hollie Defranco, Tom Plotner, Megan Kueker, Andrew King, Ariel Gauslow, Sarah Black

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Old Business

- **Parent weekend availability form** filled in by 3 families since our last meeting. Joan is to resend the link. Please get form filled out within the next 5 days.
- **Lutherdale 2/7-2/8:** 7 Children attended with 2 chaperones. The children had a great experience. The Bulletin board in Fellowship is updated with pictures from Lutherdale which the families are welcome to have once they come down. Children are encouraged to bring a friend next year!
- **Saturday 2/28 service Singing:** The Congregation enjoyed listening to the kids singing and an elaborated kids Connection about Abram's Calling from God. The Fruit and whipped cream (self control) topping served by the kids after the service was also a hit.

New Business

1. **Palm Sunday March 29** Palm Waving procession with Choir and youth while singing or humming along to Glory Laude and Honor. Kids will sit back with their parents after procession and have a traditional routine of Kid's Connection, Music, Communion, and Class. Please be in Fellowship hall by 8:40a.m.
2. **Easter Sunday:** April 5 No Sunday School
3. **Sunday** April 12 No Sunday School
4. **Movie Day:** Decided instead of going to the theatre, we would watch the movie *DAVID* which was more recently in the theatre over Holiday. It will be a movies and pizza afternoon. Exact time and date will be determined soon once all families fill out the weekend availability form. Sunday seemed to be the best day of the week to do this as well as a general consensus to be shortly after church. 11am ish?
5. **Mother's Day May 10, 2026** singing two songs: One of them will be 'Do, Re, Mi'. Stephanie and Joan still determining the second song. One of the children showed interest in singing Favorite Things also from Sound of Music. (So many of the things the song is about are truly God Sightings.
6. **Sunday school Kringle Mingle: May 10, 2025:** Sunday School leads Kringle Mingle in Fellowship after church. Mom's kick back and relax. It was brought up to connect with Chris about sweet treats.
7. **Games day: May 17, 2026** Last Sunday school day for the school year. We recognize this is Confirmation Sunday. Families discussed that maybe the older Sunday School children may be interested in watching Confirmation. We decided we would work around the timing of the Confirmation ceremony to begin our game fun shortly after.
8. **PBJ sandwich making for the Soup Kitchen.** Sunday date to be determined once Families have turned in their Weekend availability form to me. Joan sending email to April at the Shalom Center.
9. **Greet:** April 19th is next and May 10 will be our last Sunday for the Sunday school year.
10. **VBS:** first week in August 3-6 or 7th. Monday through Thursday or Monday through Friday.

Next Meeting date was not determined or felt was necessary as our year is coming to a close. If there is any communication within the Sunday School family we could connect briefly after service, or through email. If Joan felt it was necessary to call another meeting, parents would be open to it of course.

Meeting Ended 10:35

Meeting Minutes Submitted by: Joan Oehlberg

Youth Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 10, 2026

**MOTIONS TO BRING TO COUNCIL:
HIGHLIGHTS/TOPICS FOR COUNCIL GUIDANCE:**

ATTENDANCE: Michelle Fonk, Stephanie Raszkievicz, Sandy Bear

ABSENT : Kendra Richter, Lara Rader

DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. **Call to order:** 6:45pm
 3. **Opening Prayer/Devotion:** Stephanie Raszkievicz
 4. **Approval of Youth Education Committee Agenda for 3/10/26**
 5. **Approval of Youth Education Committee Meeting Minutes from 1/13/2026**
 6. **Treasurer's report:** n/a
 7. **Old Business**
 - a. Administrative
 - Safe Child- taking off monthly agenda... broader than just our committee
 - b. Fish/Fusion
 - Winter Xtreme- great attendance, all had a wonderful time
 - Lent Soup suppers - All going well
 - Good Friday- Practices are on schedule, email being sent out to update the schedule. Michelle will make food on Friday for kids/adults here all day
 - Palm Sunday Breakfast- Start selling Tickets on Sunday, Set up at 8am on Saturday, breakfast is from 9:30-11:30 adults \$10 and children \$5
 - Mission Trip- 20 youth currently signed up, and we need 2 more chaperones, at least one needs to be male.
 8. **New Business**
 - a. Administrative
 - Budget needs to be submitted to council in April
 - b. FISH/FUSION
 - Put Rummage Sale Thank you in Spirit
 9. **Parking Lot items:**
 10. **Upcoming Calendar of Events:** Palm Sunday Breakfast March 29, Good Friday April 3
 12. **Adjournment: 7:23pm**
- Meeting Minutes Submitted by: Michelle Fonk**