	Council Meeting Date: 06/10/2026 Start: 7:00 pm Adjourned: 8:15 pm	**Next Meetings:** Exec Committee: Thursday 07/02/26 7:00PM Council: Wednesday 07/08/25 7:00PM **Attendees:** Jennifer Lafollete, Cherie Lauck, Lynda Grymala, Matt Lyman, Rene Hollebrandse, LeeAnne Marple, Mel Siebert, Shari Fletcher, Rob Cutler	

Time	Topic	Topic Details	Responsible	Discussion / Actions	Goal for completion
7:00	Call to Order Opening Prayer		Jennifer		
	Approval of Agenda	Additions / Changes	Jennifer	No Changes.	
	Consent Agenda	May Minutes Staff Reports EC Report	Jennifer	All approved by acclamation.	
Recurring items					
	Financial Report- Approve May Financials	May	Shawn	The financial report was approved by acclamation. Discussion clarified that visiting outside musicians are paid from Jones-Joyner fund. Additionally, substitute music and worship leaders, including George Donovan, Jr, are paid from the general fund. Lynda verified this with Kristal.	
	Facilities Report	Written Reports Alarm System Phone Issues	Shawn	The Pastor's Office needs painting, light fixture repair and flooring replacement. Council approved vinyl plank flooring to replace the carpet. We will switch our alarm service from two copper phone lines to a cell phone system. Despite the high initial installation cost for the new service, the new service will save about $1,200 over the first 12 months and considerably more going forward.	
Ministry / TEAM Reports					

	Community Relations	Shari, Rob, Matt		The team may plan a campfire or group activity for later this summer.	
Old Business					
	PD Giving		Jennifer	PD and Heidi David-Young want to give Bethel $5,000, ideally dedicated to a pastor sabbatical fund. Council will consult the Virginia Synod regarding the gift. Several other possible uses for the gift were also discussed.	
	Bridal Ad		Nina	Council rejected the bridal ad in the Winchester Star this year.	
	PD Farewell		Cherie	See Farewell Party finance report. Total cost ($1,6687.66) was well below the limit previously approved by council.	
	Fundraisers		Cherie	Bright Futures in July / August - See report	
	Senior Ministry		Cherie	See report	
New Business					
	Policies & Procedures		Jennifer / Nina	Jennifer will discuss with Nina to ensure smooth communications during this transition period.	
	Interim / Supply Pastor Update		Jennifer	Becky Walls, the Assistant to the Bishop for Call Process, told us she is not having any success looking for a part-time interim pastor. PT means no housing, which limits the search area. The Executive Committee told Becky she can widen the search to include full-time interim pastors. Becky says it will not cost more than we have been paying for PD. Bethel has been assigned a Vice Pastor for emergencies. The Vice Pastor can be reached by contacting the Bethel office or Jennifer LaFollette. Preachers have been identified through July; worship leaders for all but the last Sunday in July. In some cases, the worship leader will not be a presiding pastor, so we will have a Service of the Word, i.e. no communion.	

	Becky Walls Visit		Jennifer	Becky Walls will be at Bethel on June 23 (Tuesday) at 5:30 to meet in person with Council. Becky will discuss the Call Process in detail.	
	Call Committee		Jennifer	The Bethel Constitution says the Council will elect 6 congregation members for the Call Committee. By unanimous vote the following members were selected for the Call Committee Barbara Simmons Rachel Wallenburg Dean Havron Michelle Young John Hudson Will Hall Call Committee members will be notified of their selection before we announce it to the Congregation as a whole. Then they will be officially installed.	
	Upcoming Events				
	Women's Ministry Dinner	June 16			
	Trivia Night	June 19			
	Council Meeting with Synod	June 23	5:30	Becky Walls will be here to discuss the Call Process details with Council. We will ask the Call Committee to attend the Becky Walls meeting.	
	Council Meeting	July 8			
	Guatemala Trip	July 11 - 18			
	VBS	July 20 - 23			
	Congregational Joys and Concerns		All	Brief Sharing for Prayer	
	Closing Prayer and Adjournment				