

Salem Lutheran Church Council
June 16th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Present: Ron DeJong, Todd Osman, Robin Schwaegerl, Naomi McVay, Colleen Kahler, Steve Heggstad, Kent Weckwerth

Call to Order by Ron DeJong at 7:02 pm

Opening Prayer by Ron DeJong

Secretary's Report for May 2026 Meeting

Motion: Approve the Secretary's Minutes of the May 19, 2026 meeting

Motion made by Robin Schwaegerl. 2nd by Steve Heggstad. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Reviewed by notes submitted from Jackie Lindvall – Reviewed May 2026/YTD Assets & Liabilities as well as Income Statement notable items.

- Reviewed outstanding amount remaining to cover cost of parking lot project. Currently need approximately \$2500 to cover entire remaining expense.
 - Plan to review donations received throughout May to determine how to address remaining amount.
- Motion: Approve the May 2026 Treasurer's Report.
Motion made to approve by Naomi McVay. 2nd by Kent Weckwerth. Motion carried.
- Discussed handling of shared summer services between UMC and Salem: Money received for Music for Missions" needs to be counted and processed through accounting prior to transferring. Plan to have Salem and UMC identified offertory plates for gifting at each of the services.

Additions to Agenda:

- **Update-Pastor call process / discussions with Synod / Pick interview members with list of questions:** Discussed where we are to date pertaining to discussions and interactions with UMC. Identified individuals to who can be available for interview process that will be limited to quantity two (2) council members representing Salem. Names identified consist of Ron DeJong, Todd Osman, Robin Schwaegerl, Naomi McVay, and Cory Olson. Council members developed a list of questions for representatives to use during interview process.
- **Update-Coverage of office activities:** Church Secretary is back in the office and catching up on activities.
- **Shared summer services between UMC and Salem:** Plans are in place with Worship and Music. Schedule will be 9:30am church service with 10:30am social hour. Salem Lutheran will hold services for the first 5 weeks at Salem 7/5-8/2 and then switch to UMC 8/9-9/6 for the remaining services. Pastor Matt is willing to help with communion throughout transition period based on availability.

Pastor's Report:

- **Update-Youth Mission Trip Coverage/Funding:** We have received a donation of \$200 that will be used to help cover trip expenses. Motion made by Robin Schwaegerl to take \$325 from Youth Ministries account to be used for you mission trip per request from UMC. 2nd by Naomi MacVay. Motion carried.

Committee Reports -

***Fellowship/Outreach/ Social Ministry and Evangelism –** No Update

***Stewardship –** No Update

***Property –** Continuing to look at options for window replacement in upstairs classrooms. Put out signs for Ice Cream Social

***Worship and Music –** Plans are in place for covering month of July with scheduled Lay Leaders consisting of: July 5-Kurt Hoehne, July 12-Pastor Matt

Philaya who will conduct Communion Service, July 19-Ron DeJong, July 26-Paul Hanson from Water's Edge

***Christian Education/Youth –** Vacation bible school will Aug. 9th – 13th. 5:30pm – 8:00pm.

***Endowment –** No Update

Old Business

- **Final edits review of Constitution, By-Laws, Continuing Resolutions & Support Documents:** No Update
- **Update – Lay Delegate(s) highlights of Synod Conference.** Ron & Colleen informed council of notable speakers and classes attended.
- **Update – Organ repair.** Provider is waiting on parts that are ordered but waiting on availability. No update on anticipated date for repair until replacement parts are confirmed.

New Business

- Discussed plans for last church service with Pastor Sam.
- Property Committee requesting if we have an American flag for the week of the 4th of July. If nothing on property, Kent Weckwerth has one that can be used.

Upcoming Dates/FYI

- **June 24th –** Salem Ice Cream Social
- **June 27th – 8:30-10:00am** The Table Community Breakfast
- **June 28th – 2:00-5:00pm** Open house for Pastor Sam (held at UMC)
- **Each Tuesday 10:00am Salem Strombeck Room:** Salem Quilters open to all (Note: will not meet June & July)
- **Each Friday 10:00am Salem Strombeck Room:** Friday Morning Coffee open to all

Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn by Naomi MacVay 2nd Steve Heggstad. Motion carried.

Next Meeting TBD at 7:00pm

Meeting Minutes taken by Todd Osman