

St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church (SSLC)
Council Meeting | September 20, 2026 at 12:30 PM

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Youth Rep
Neil Brown	Lucy Austin	Gail Felton	Sophie Taylor
Sarah Kolb	Kerri Brittingham	Christy Hooker	Margaret McCurdy
Stephen Lunsford	Bill Galardi	Nick Kean	
Matt Martin	Roy Windham	Bobby Martin	
Betsy McCall	Lance Young	Richard Shealy	

Executive Committee:

President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer
Matt Martin	Stephen Lunsford	Sarah Kolb	Mary Keisler

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Antley, The Rev. Ralph Hill

Staff: Tonya Reynolds, Susan Wilson, Shannon Burnett

Absent: Betsy McCall, Sarah Kolb, Neil Brown, Lance Young, Nick Kean, Susan Wilson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:32 pm by Matt Martin. The council met in the conference room of SSLC.

Devotion/Prayer: Pastor Ralph

Consent Agenda: August Meeting Minutes. Matt Martin noted corrections to the August minutes.

- Organ Task Force went to NC to visit and hear five different organs.
- September 20 Building Maintenance Lunch was a hymn sing that evening at 5pm.
- Next Meeting: Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 12:30pm.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Bobby Martin to approve the consent agenda. Richard Shealy seconded the motion. The council members unanimously approved the consent agenda.

Reports:

- a. Pastor Jason Antley
- b. Pastor Ralph Hill
- c. Shannon Burnett – Director of Family Life
- d. Julie Tworzyanski – Preschool Director
- e. Susan Wilson – Director of Music/Organist
- f. Tonya Reynolds – Parish Administrator
- g. Mary Keisler– Treasurer/Finance

Discussion Agenda:

Old Business

1. **Organ Task Force - Susan Wilson** – Richard Shealy communicated that Janette met and talked with acoustician, Dawn Schuette, and that her contract has been sent to Matt Martin and Mike

Brittingham to review. Mike does have a few questions about the contract and Susan will be following up with him. Dawn Schutte stated that the organ builder should be obtained before she is involved in the project. Richard reported that he, Susan Wilson, Pastor Jason, Pastor Ralph, Joel Carter, and Ivan Black met on Thursday, September 17 to discuss renovations for the balcony. There is still lots of information to be gathered concerning renovations and Joel Carter will be helping with this matter. The three builders that have been selected to give bids are: Casavant out of Canada, Taylor and Boody out of Virginia, and Richards, Fowkes and Co. out of Tennessee. Susan will be contacting these builders this fall to start the process of getting bids. The plan is to coordinate their visits with Joel Carter so that all options can be discussed.

2. **Columbarium Update** – Tonya Reynolds reported the construction of the columbarium started this past week. Brant Taylor and Ivan Black will be helping to monitor the building of the columbarium.
3. **Bishop Installation** – Pastor Jason reported the bishop's installation for Oct. 24, 2026, at 10:30am is in full planning mode. Things are moving along and it should be a wonderful event for our new bishop and for our church.

New Business

1. Bill Galardi reported he had been asked about possibly having one service instead of two once a year so that people from the 8:30 service and 11:00 service could meet. The topic was discussed and the possibility of having a social event between services once a month could be an option. It was mentioned that there are other events that take place at the church where people who attend different services could meet.

Next meeting: Sunday, October 18, 2026, at 12:30pm.

Bill Galardi motioned to adjourn the meeting. Matt Martin seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:17pm with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Tonya Reynolds on September 21, 2026