

St. John's Congregational Council Meeting

May 18, 2026 Room 103/104

Members present: President Dr. Scott Hirth, Vice President David Clark, Secretary Rachel Katterhenrich, Cindy Gonsowski, Dennis Imbrock, Abby Johnston, Doug Knisely, Susan Previts, Bonnie Swanson, Amy Wanner

Members Absent: Pastor Patti Morlock, Teresa Orahod, Dave Stallard

Call meeting to order: Dr. Hirth called the Council Meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Opening prayer and devotions: Rachel Katterhenrich led a devotion on 1 John 3:16-24.

Approval of previous month minutes: The April minutes were approved without objection.

Donation: A basket was passed around to collect a donation for Lutheran Social Services.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Patti Morlock was unable to attend the meeting due to an urgent hospital visit. Dr. Hirth mentioned some of Pastor Patti's recent work, including several other hospital visits and planning for a funeral.

Finance Report: Treasurer Teresa Orahod was not able to attend the meeting, but distributed the monthly financial report by email. There was a short discussion for better understanding and the report was approved with no objections.

Membership report: Dr. Hirth acknowledged the membership report which was distributed to members.

Prayer requests: Members shared personal prayer requests and follow-up from previous shared requests.

Unfinished business:

Call team update: Dr. Hirth reported that the call team is busy planning for a candidate visit which is planned for June 27-28. He requested that council members be prepared and reserve time to meet with the candidate and with the call team that weekend as well.

Church security: David Clark reported that he is still seeking quotes for rekeying the doors and for work on the sanctuary sound system. The safety policy is being reviewed and should be ready for approval within a couple months.

Property team: Dennis Imbrock reported that the team is getting quotes for a new columbarium at the cemetery. The team had also discussed measures for maintaining the new FLC floor during various activities.

The meeting was adjourned following saying the Lord's Prayer in unison.

Action Items:

All members – send minutes corrections to Rachel

All members – try to keep June 27-28 available for candidate visit

Next meeting: June 15, 2026 6:30 pm