

Grace Vestry Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2026

In Attendance

In attendance: Pastor Steve, Ernie Simon, Mike Oakley, Maragret Morgan, Sharon Potter, Selia Tuten, Gary Kernan

Absent: Lucy Smith, Mike Zubas, Don Siefkes.

Opening prayer Led by Pastor Steve, 6:40 pm.

Everyone introduced themselves and added some personal history.

I. Approvals

- A. January meeting minutes. Approved by Michael, 2nd by Ernie.
 - B. Financial Statement- reviewed by Gary
 - C. Balance sheet
 - D. New deferred revenue
 - E. Received financial report & file for audit.
 - F. Motion to approve financials by Sharon, 2nd by Michael.
 - G. Gary presented the internal financial audit report for 2025 and answered questions. Motion to approve by Sharon, 2nd by Michael.
 - H. Parochial Report discussed. Motion to approve by Ernie, 2nd by Sharon.
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II. Ongoing and New Business

- A. Gustof Adolphus Persson - Benefactor who recently left a financial bequest to Grace
 - 1) Discussion of adding Gustof's family history to the monthly newsletter.
- B. American Lutheran
 - 1) Shared ministry, activities, & fundraisers.
 - 2) Minister is retiring March 1, 2026
Thought that pastor Steve could share ministry with them. Shared services on Sunday. Discussed Sunday service times. Need to contact American Lutheran to see if they are interested in a shared ministry.
- C. Rectory Progress
 - 1) Fire Department request fulfilled.
 - 2) Lessee looking into bathroom requirements for childcare facility.
 - 3) Selia brought up insurance needed to rent the building.
 - 4) Cooling system needed by June. Michael has talked to a company.
 - 5) Create a letter of understanding to move forward on leasing the Rectory.
 - 6) Motion moved to create- Selia, 2nd by Sharon.
- D. Hall Rental
 - 1) Tribe Collective LLC would like to rent LLC would like to rent our hall 1-2 times a week.
 - 2) Mon, Tues, Thurs are available.
 - 3) Pastor Steve will call and see what days & times they need the hall.

E. Sexton/ Handyman to Hire.

- 1) 8-12 hours per week.
- 2) Idea tabled for now.
- 3) Selia & Ernie will contact B&G to see what projects are needed.
- 4) Margaret will find out what hourly wage is required for handyman repairs.

F. Fundraising

- 1) April 25th- Tentative date for musical Bingo Fundraiser.

III. Prayer and Adjournment

Lord's prayer was led by Pastor Steve. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret Morgan☺