

Grace Vestry Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2026

In Attendance

In attendance: Pastor Steve, Mike Oakley, Maragret Morgan, Ernie Simon, Sharon Potter, Lucy Smith, Don Siefkes, Mike Zubas.

Absent: Selia Tuten??

Opening prayer Led by Pastor Steve

I. Approvals

- A. February meeting minutes. Approved by Mike, 2nd by Ernie.
 - B. February Financial Statement
 - 1) Gary absent
 - 2) Mike Oakley approved
 - 3) Mike Zubas 2nd
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II. Ongoing and New Business

- A. American Lutheran
 - 1) Presently not a good time to merge churches- Pastor Julie leaving so abruptly
 - 2) Continue to share outreaches & activities together
 - 3) April 12th joint service at Grace
 - 4) American Lutheran will search for an interim pastor
- B. Musical Bingo- April 25
 - 1) Margaret will call Christa for themes available for music
 - 2) Meal- Sloppy Joes, chips, salad, and snacks
 - 3) Update to come
- C. Bequest Money
 - 1) \$111,000 remaining sum to come soon?
 - 2) Save some money for emergencies
- D. B&G
 - 1) Prioritize job list and return it to Pastor Steve
 - 2) B&G would like volunteers to help coordinate projects needed
 - 3) Thank Lare, Tom, Dave for all their skill & time
 - 4) Vestry would like 5 new members. Margaret will announce need at Sunday service
- E. Food Truck
 - 1) Wants to come on Saturday to provide food from 12-2pm
 - 2) We will try for one month & see if there is a need for the community
 - 3) Pastor Steve will call the Woman providing this service

F. Sunday Night Suppers

- 1) No church is providing supper April-October
- 2) Pastor Steve & Ann Farrell will draft up a letter to send other churches to help out
- 3) Mike Z- speech to Mt. Clemens City Commission for help with these suppers

G. Fire Marshall Update of Church & Rectory Property

- 1) A final inspection when all repairs are finished
- 2) Volunteers needed to replace door handles, tape and mud drywall under basement stairs
- 3) We are tabling to continue the discussion of Rectory repairs at next month's meeting
- 4) Update B&G list of other repairs needed

H. Create a subcommittee to create an emergency response plan to keep the congregation safe if an attack happens at our Church. Lucy, Don, Margaret, and Sharon will volunteer to start this subcommittee

I. Don has a contractor that is able to improve our Church's sound system if needed

III. Prayer and Adjournment

Closing prayer was led by Pastor Steve.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret Morgan☺