

**MOUNT CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES OCTOBER 19, 2021 AT 7:00 PM**

**2021 Elected Church Council Members:** Craig Blois, Barbara Cranfill, Kevin Churchill, Kristine Dawson, Brian Fisher, Herb Holler, Allison Johnson, John Marroquin, Susan Prosser, Rebecca Riley, Keith Selbrede, Bill Stoll, Evonne Kuchera

**Representatives:** Wendy McClary- Child Development Center  
Tiana Stouch and Collin Edwards - Youth Group

**Light of Christ & Call to order:** The meeting was held virtually utilizing Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Rebecca Riley

**Council Members Present:** : Craig Blois, Kristine Dawson, Brian Fisher, Herb Holler, Allison Johnson, Susan Prosser, Rebecca Riley, Keith Selbrede, Bill Stoll, Evonne Kuchera

**Representatives Present:** Wendy McClary- Child Development Center  
- Youth Group

**Staff Members Present:** Pastor Julie and Joe Zimmerly are attending the synod clergy and lay leader's conference

**Visitor Present:** Rick Gardner

**Determination of Quorum- Six council members plus the Pastor**

(C12.06) majority of members of the council-majority is defined as one over one-half)

Number of council members' present 10 of 13  
Number of voting representatives present 1

There was a Motion to approve the September minutes by Craig Blois and second by Bill Stoll. The minutes were approved.

**Devotion:** Bill Stoll discussed prison over population and improvements to the justice system.

**Action Items:**

- Pastor Appreciation Sunday is October 24 – Susan Prosser is supplying food and beverage. There was discussion of what will be done on Sunday. Allison, Joe and Becky will work on the service.

- A motion to set the date of November 7 for an informational session regarding Cecelia Travick-Jackson's call to become a deacon was made by Bill Stoll and seconded by Craig Blois. The motion was approved.
- A motion to set the date of November 21<sup>st</sup> for a congregational meeting to determine Cecelia Travick-Jackson call as a deacon for our church was made by Craig Blois and seconded by Brian Fisher. The motion was approved.
- There was a Motion from Budget and Finance to approve the financial operations guide book. The guide book was sent back to the Budget and Finance Committee for further review.
- A Motion was made by the Worship Committee to remove two rows of pews on each side in the back of sanctuary to provide better access to the worship space by all members, especially those with mobility concerns. To also enable the space to be made more usable for gatherings or meetings. To allow pews in disrepair to be rotated with others if necessary. Chairs now stacked would be used to fill the space. Pews will be kept for possible use in other church space. The motion was passed with one abstention and one opposed.

**Information:**

- A policy is required for transportation of members of the congregation. Brian Fisher and Allison Johnson will work on this project.

**Staff Reports**

**Pastor Julie Filed a Written Report**

**Keith Selbrede distributed the following Treasurers' Report**

- Budget Performance (through September 2021):  
 Gross income for September was 81.5% of budget versus 91.5% last month.  
 YTD gross income was 94.2% of budget versus 95.7% last month.  
 Pledge giving for September was 80.6% of budget versus 102.1% last month.  
 Pledge giving YTD was 99.2% of budget versus 101.5% last month.  
 Expenses for September were 94.3 of budget versus 92.8% last month.  
 Expenses YTD were 91.7% of budget versus 91.5% last month.

Calculated reserves were \$157,848 compared to \$163,955 in August.

- Other Items:
  1. Budget input is due by the end of October. So far only one input has been received. Please cover this with your committees, teams, staffs, etc.
  2. A \$10,000 donation made to the CDC for playground update was passed on to them. Any update should be coordinated through the Mount Cross property committee.
  3. For the meeting minutes, I would like to acknowledge receipt of thank you notes from PLTS, Lutheran Bible Translators, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response for MC donations.

### **Committee Liaisons:**

**Fellowship Committee – Susan Prosser** Organizing a Pie social to be held after the Thanksgiving Day service.

**Membership Register Committee – Susan Prosser--** A list will be created of those people on the membership roster who have died and/or no longer attending Mount Cross. A list of those persons who are deceased will be presented to confirmation. Letters will be sent to those who have not attended in a long time—a list will be shown to council for input prior to those letters going out.

**Stewardship Committee – Becky Riley for Barbara Cranfill**

The Generosity Campaign has started and will continue to November 1. Pledge packets can be picked up and there will be a couple of temple talks as well as news information in the Newsletter, Grapevine and Sunday bulletin.

**Service and Missions – Bill Stoll--**Mount Cross is scheduled to host the “Crop Walk” held in March 2022. 200-250 people will attend. The committee will run it by the re-opening committee. It will probably be suggested to proceed with the understanding it is dependent upon the COVID status in March.

**CDC Update - Wendy McClary** The CDC is moving forward with Incorporation – The CDC is reviewing and revising all aspects of operating the CDC, including updating the by-laws and licensing issues. Licensing has ordered that the children not use the pavilion for any purpose.

They are setting up application forms for scholarships from the new Cathy Channels scholarship fund.

**CDC mission statement**

Mount Cross Child Development Center strives to educate young children in a safe and nurturing environment that will help prepare them to enjoy learning, care for the earth, serve others, and spread God’s love in the community.

**CARE Team –Evonne Kuchera**

The team will be holding a workshop on Home Emergency Procedures on Sunday Oct 24 at 2 PM at the church. There will be a demonstration of things to include in an emergency kit of all kinds of disasters. All are invited.

**Welcome Committee—Kris Dawson**

**There was a meeting this past Sunday in Pastor Julie’s office with potential new members which went very well**

**November meeting will be on zoom.**

**Susan Prosser volunteered for December devotions.**

A motion was made by Bill Stoll to adjourn the meeting seconded by Allison Johnson. The motion passed

- The meeting was adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer at 8:55 PM.

**Looking ahead:**

**Next Executive Committee meeting: November 4, 2021 at 7:30 P.M.**

**Next Council Meeting: November 16, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Information: Reopening Committee meeting November 4 at 7:00 pm**

**Ongoing Action/Discussion Items**

Task	Committee and Liaison	Follow up and/or Outcome
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Review Membership Roster	Committee Pastor Julie	
Work out the process for annual reviews and perform the reviews	Executive Committee, Personnel Committee, Pastor Julie & Becky Riley	
Light on the cross/tree trimming	Property Committee?	
Church Pamphlet	Welcome Team	
Monthly review of the Church Calendar	Executive Committee	
Website Update	Tech Committee	

**2021 Church Council Members:** Craig Blois\* ( Past President, Learning), Kevin Churchill (Tech Committee), Barbara Cranfill (Stewardship Team), Kristine Dawson (Welcome Team), Brian Fisher\* (Vice-President, Endowment), Herb Holler\* (Secretary, Budget & Finance), Allison Johnson (Worship & Music), Evonne Kuchera ( Care Team), John Marroquin (Property) Susan Prosser (Fellowship), Becky Riley\* (President, Personnel), Keith Selbrede\* (Treasurer, Budget & finance), Bill Stoll (Service& Missions, Peace & Justice Team), \*Executive Committee

Wendy McClary (CDC Rep)  
Julie Morris (Pastor)

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Meeting Time</i>	<i>Chairperson</i>	<i>Council Liaison</i>
1.	Adult Education	To be re-established in the future		
2.	Budget & Finance	As needed	Keith Selbrede	
3.	Care Team	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 10 am	Susan Prosser	Evonne Kuchera
4.	Child Development Center	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 6PM		Wendy McClary
6.	Endowment	No fixed time	Lisa Higginbotham	Brian Fisher
7..	Fellowship	3rd Thursday 7:00	Henry Mirage	Susan Prosser
8.	Learning	1st Monday 7:00	Tracy Blois	Craig Blois
9.	Make Bake Celebrate (MBC)		Patti Stouch	Brian Fisher and Craig Blois
10.	Nominating Committee	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined

11.	Personnel	As needed	Jim Prosser	Becky Riley
12.	Property	Last Tuesday 7:00	Rick Mann	John Marroquin
13.	Service & Missions	1st Monday 6:30	Gordon Henry	Bill Stoll
14.	Stewardship	No fixed time	Barbara Cranfill	
15.	Worship & Music	Tuesday 9:00 a.m. (every other month)	Randy Churchill	Allison Johnson
16.	Tech Committee	TBD	Gil Valencia	Kevin Churchill
17.	Welcome Committee			Kris Dawson
18.	Audit	TBD	TBD	TBD

<b>* DEVOTIONS</b>			
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>
Bill Stoll	Becky	Kevin	Evonne
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>
Susan	Barbara	Becky	Craig
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY 2021</b>
Bill	Keith	Susan	
<b>** COUNCIL LISTENING POST (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month (unless otherwise indicated), on the patio, between services)</b>			
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>
	Keith		
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>
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