COUNCIL CONNECTIONS for August 2025 Council Actions and Information

Council Continuing Business

Multiple items of Continuing Business were addressed within the AUGUST Council Meeting.

- This was Pastor Mark's first council meeting to be in attendance. He provided a comprehensive report of his plans in the near term. Some of his initial focus will be getting to know congregation members on an informal basis, participating in the youth confirmation program, reinstituting the home communion program for shut ins.
- The deep clean of the sanctuary, including some ceiling repair, was completed in early August.
- The Personnel Committee is advertising the Director of Music Ministry position and reviewing resumes and cover letters that are being submitted. Interviews have been arranged for some promising candidates.
- Council members are brainstorming how the congregation can better support Sally Husted and Gabrielle
 Applequist in ways to care for our New Americans members. There has also been a request for some monetary
 help for Joel Bondedjoun's church in the Central African Republic, for basic building supplies. Council members
 are sending some letters to request some funding from several sources.
- Plans for creating documentation of the Church building Inventory are in the works for a start date after the Fall WELCA Bazaar (November 14-15) and Carolyn Jean Smith will organize these efforts and arrange for volunteers to help.

Council Reports

The standing agenda includes review of the previous month's meeting minutes and the previous month's financial reports. We also receive reports from Pastor Mark for pastoral acts and upcoming plans and Music Ministry updates. Please consult the weekly email blasts and Sunday morning bulletin announcements which cover many topics in depth as well.

For reports from other committees supported by a council liaison, please use this link: https://www.koglutheran.org/committees