

COUNCIL CONNECTIONS for December 2024

Council Actions and Information

Council Continuing Business

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

- The Living Lutheran magazine is returning to a printed form for a Spring 2025 printing. It will then be a quarterly publication. Members can sign up online or through contacting the church office. Group subscriptions are just \$17 per household per year and there are options to contribute towards the cost of subscriptions for other church members.
- The members of the Nominating Committee have recruited new members to multiple elected positions that will become available in January 2025 - there is still an opening for another Congregation Council member for a 3-year term.
- NWIM Synod Assembly will be online this year (May 3, 2025) – two voting members have accepted the nomination and will be elected at the Annual Congregation Meeting. The cost is \$25 per voting member.
- **Still pending** A program for updating our Church Directory Photos, a volunteer is needed to coordinate this program and schedule times for members to have their photos updated, using the AV room at KoG and a smart phone camera.
- **Still pending** A church key audit is in progress. Paper records are being converted to electronic files as well and those members listed as having key(s) will be contacted to confirm which keys are within their possession.
- **Still pending:** More revisions are planned to the Church Constitution within Chapter 13 for the sections that describe the composition and function of the Audit Committee. These updates will be presented at the next Annual Congregational Meeting in January, 2025, for the congregation to vote on to approve.
- Audit Team members have been identified and have accepted their invitation: Chuck Lindeen, Terri Wiley and Stan Fornander have confirmed that they are able to support an audit in 2025 for the past 3 calendar years (2022, 2023, 2024)
- **Still pending:** plans for creating documentation of Church Inventory (Carolyn Jean Smith and Mary Rickerd).

Council Reports

The standing agenda includes review of the previous month's meeting minutes, the previous month's financial reports and an update from the KoG LEAP/Veolia Task Force. We also receive reports from Pastor Connie for pastoral acts and upcoming plans and from Steve Eulberg for Music Ministry updates. Requests for copies of these reports can be made by emailing Becky Newberry at semgoddessid@gmail.com. Otherwise, the weekly email blasts and Sunday morning bulletin announcements cover these topics in depth as well.

For reports from other committees supported by a council liaison, please use this link:

<https://www.koglutheran.org/committees>

LEAP/Veolia Task Force Report

For LEAP the sewer tap work has been completed and LEAP has completed the final filing needed to close on the sale of this parcel. For Veolia, we have negotiated the final documents and await Veolia completing some final tasks on their side to be able to close on this sale in mid to late January 2025.