



2nd Quarter
Congregational Meeting
9/14/2025

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2nd Quarter Congregational Meeting 9/14/2025

Proposed Agenda

1. Opening Scripture and Prayer
2. Taking of Attendance – Please sign the attendance sheet
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of 1st Quarter Meeting dated 5/4/25
5. Reading of correspondence: N/A

Unfinished Business:

6. N/A

New Business:

7. Thanksgiving Worship and Christmas Worship Services Dates and Times
8. Treasurer vote for 2026-2028

Reports:

9. Pastor's Report
10. Reports of Boards: Directors, Education, Elders, Trustees, Finance – Treasurer

Upcoming Events:

- **September**
 - **21st – Back to Church Sunday**
 - **21st – Mite Sunday**
 - **27th – Happy 98th Birthday Mount Olive!**
- **October**
 - **1st – Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM**
 - **8th – Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM**
 - **12th – WOMO Meeting @ 10AM**
 - **19th – Mite Sunday**
- **November**
 - **3rd – Spruce Tip Planter Assembly**
 - **5th – Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM**
 - **7th – Bazaar Set up 4-7PM**
 - **8th – Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale 9AM-1PM**
 - **12th – Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM**
 - **16th – Mite Sunday**
 - **23rd – WOMO Meeting @ 10AM**

➤ **December**

- **3rd – Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM**
- **6th – WOMO Christmas Party @ 11:30AM**
- **10th – Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM**
- **21st – Mite Sunday**

Adjournment with prayer

Next meeting: is tentatively scheduled for December 2025



1st Quarter Congregational Meeting Minutes

Board, Committee, or Group: Congregational Meeting

Who attended: See attendance sheet

Location: Fellowship Hall

Date & Time: May 4, 2025 at 10:15 AM

Purpose of Meeting: Regular Quarterly Meeting

1. **Opening Scripture and Prayer**
2. **Review and Approval of this Agenda:** Linda Verkennes motioned approval, Arlee Mueller seconded. Agenda Approved
3. **Review & Approval of minutes of November 24, 2024 meeting:** Jan Preble motioned approval, Harriet Gustafson Seconded. Minutes Approved.
4. **Readings of Correspondence:** N/A

Unfinished Business:

5. N/A

New Business:

6. 2024 Annual Report Packets
7. Approve transfer of Carol Meyer to Beautiful Savior LC, Plymouth, MN – Andrew Reinitz motioned approval, Harriet Gustafson Seconded. Transfer approved.

Reports:

- **Pastor's Report**
 - Dick Bromley suggests that we do something to raise money for the congregation. We are having a rummage sale on June 28th. Help in any capacity is needed and appreciated. There is a sign-up form in the narthex. Set up will be throughout that week. Help will be needed both during the week and on Saturday. All help is appreciated! We will be taking donations as well. NO CLOTHES, SHOES, BOOKS, LARGE FURNITURE. Please price all items you donate, unless you don't mind they may be priced.

Reports of Boards: Directors, Education, Elders, Finance – Treasurer, Trustees

- **Directors Report**
 - No questions or comments regarding report.
- **Education**
 - Andrew Reinitz suggests looking at different dates next year for VBS. In June, after school lets out, the after school care programs take a 1-2 week break. Maybe we would get more attendees who need care during those weeks.

- **Elders**
 - Note that this is Arlee's 2nd term as trustee and he will not be renewing. We will need to find a replacement for him. This is Nathan's first term, unsure if he will be renewing.
- **Trustees**
 - No questions or comments regarding the report.
- **Finance**
 - Terry agreed to be the treasurer through 2025 however, beginning in 2026, she will no longer be the treasurer. We will need to find a replacement for her ASAP so that they can train with her for 2026. If we are unable to find a replacement, we will need to hire someone for this job.
 - The LCEF 4% acct x4004 was transferred to the checking account after the report shown in the packet was printed.

Upcoming Events:

- **May**
 - 1st – 31st – Otten Brothers Give and Grow Program
 - 4th – Congregational Meeting
 - 7th – Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM
 - 14th – Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM
 - 18th – Mite Sunday
 - 18th – WOMO Meeting @ 10AM
- **June**
 - 4th - Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM
 - 11th – Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM
 - 12th – 14th MN South District Convention @Concordia, St. Paul
 - 15th – Mite Sunday
 - 28th – Rummage Sale
- **July**
 - 2nd - Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM
 - 9th - Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM
 - 20th – Mite Sunday

Next meeting: Tentatively August 2025

Close with the Lord's Prayer Linda Verkennes motions to adjourn. David Miller Seconded.
Meeting Adjourned at 10:53 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Eccles, Secretary

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Pastor's Report

For the time period April 23 – September 1, 2025

Official Acts - baptisms, confirmations, weddings, funerals

Baptisms: none for this time period

Confirmations: none for this time period

Funerals: Barbara Needham – May 23

Dale McCurdy (non-member) – July 18

John Morrison – August 2

Weddings: none for this time period

Members received or released: Kevin Larson was received as a member by Profession of Faith on June 29, 2025.

Homebound Members

1. Janice Beise (Auburn in Chaska) – worships and communes at the service provided at Auburn by the pastors from St. John's, Chaska
2. Cheryl Blue (Spring Park)
3. Darlene Fasching (Mound)
4. Marlene Gehring (Mound)
5. Marilyn Lemke (Maple Plain)
6. Susie McKee (Waconia)
7. Millie Morrison (Mound)

Other activities

Chapel services at Redeemer Christian Academy, Wayzata, and Our Savior's Lutheran Childcare, Excelsior.

I continue to serve as Zone Counselor for the LWML (Lutheran Women in Mission).

District Convention with Joel Reinitz, June 12-14 @Concordia, St. Paul.

Vacation Bible School Aug. 4-8

Bible Studies

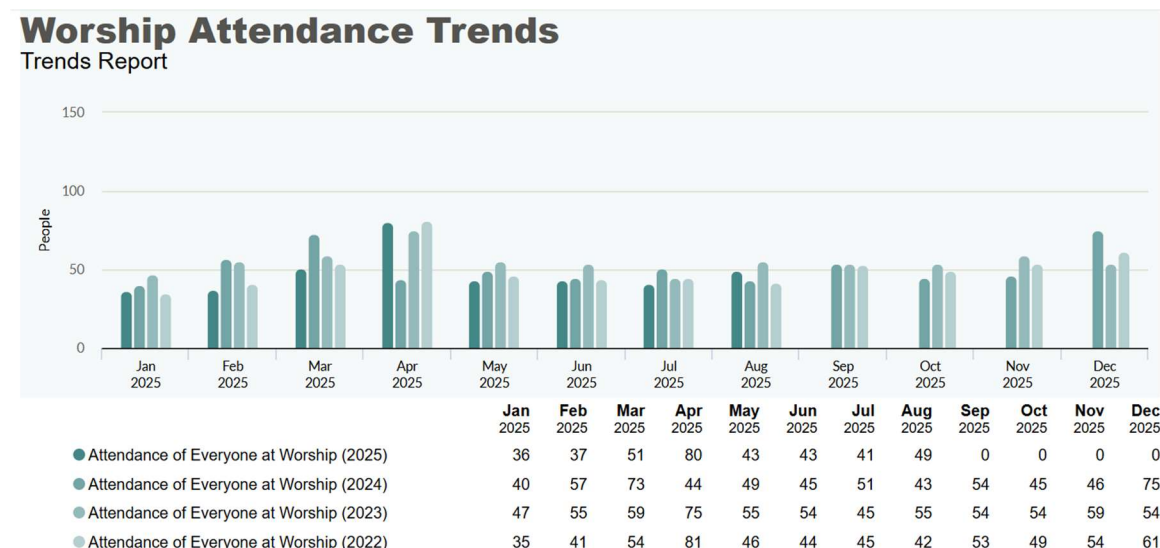
Tuesday morning men's study: Avg. attendance – 6

Wednesday morning women's study: resumes 9/3/25

Monthly Bible Study at LMS was combined with weekly Thursday study and moved to Fridays at LMS – avg. attendance – 6 in-person, 2 on phone

I had to discontinue leading a Bible Study at Harrison Bay on Fridays.

Current Statistics



Active Members: 90 (Have attended worship at least once in the past year) (Previous report: 91)

Inactive Members: 34 (Previous report: 34)

Prospects: 13 (Previous report: 11)

Personal

It is a joy and a challenge to welcome my mom to Lake Minnetonka Shores and our church. I often feel that I am spread too thin and so Kathy and I have decided to hire someone to clean the main floor of the parsonage once/week and to hire someone to help with mowing and other yard work maybe 2x/month. Let us know if you have any recommendations.

1st Quarter Congregational Meeting 9/14/2025 Education Report by Arlee Mueller

Bible studies: Men, Tuesday morning; Women, Wednesday morning; Mixed, Friday morning; Lake Minnetonka Shores.

VBS: August 4–8, 2025. 8 kids attended.

Sunday School: Started up on September 7.

Confirmation: Annabelle Reinitz and Kalli Cone are our current students.

Seeking someone to take over the positions of committee chair person and Sunday School Superintendent.

1st Quarter Congregational Meeting 9/14/2025**Elders Report by Arlee Mueller**

Arlee Mueller and Nathan Betts' Elder terms are up at the end of this year.

1st Quarter Congregational Meeting 9/14/2025 Trustees Report by Jim Merchant

The Trustees have been staying busy with many tasks that need to be done at our facility each month. Some of the tasks are done annually so it is a little easier to find volunteers to help. We thank you for the help we receive from our members throughout the year because we would not be able to do it without you. Many members helped out to spruce up the church before John Morrison funeral and the facility looked great.

Some of the maintenance and repair items that we did recently are:

- Elevator maintenance and fire tests
- Nursery lights cleaned
- Remove and replace sump pump and battery backup in the parsonage
- Remove and replace garbage disposal in kitchen sink in the parsonage
- Repair drain line in the basement of the parsonage

We will continue to do the upkeep of our facility with your help so we will always be ready to serve our community and members. Thank you all from your Trustees and volunteers

1st Quarter Congregational Meeting 9/14/2025 Finance Report by Terry Podratz

See report attached

Mount Olive Lutheran Church								
Profit and Loss								
Jan - July 2025								
	MN Lakes Bank							
	July 2025	2025 YEAR- TO DATE	LCEF Savings x9409	LCEF 4% ACCT x4004	LCEF Gangelhof Endowment x1441	Total Thrivent Funds	ELAN Credit Card	Mortgage
BEGINNING BALANCES	38,054.04	19,698.18	13.30	0.00	48,077.56	119,671.49	0.00	194,545.55
Receipts								
4010000 Unrestricted Income								
4010100 Worship Service Offerings								
4010101 Regular Offerings	13,939.00	107,862.00						
4010102 Loose Offerings	61.00	1,007.00						
Total 4010100 Worship Service Offerings	14,000.00	108,869.00						
4010200 Investment Income								
4010201 LCEF Savings x9409 Interest								
4010204 Gangelhof Interest								
Total 4010200 Investment Income	-	-						
4010400 Special Events Income								
4010405 Special Events Income	1,084.11	1,084.11						
Total 4010400 Special Events Income	1,084.11	1,084.11						
4010500 Miscellaneous Income		661.43						
4010503 Thrivent Choice Dollars		777.00						
4010504 Other Miscellaneous Income	360.77	9,232.16						
Total 4010500 Miscellaneous Income	360.77	10,670.59						
4010600 Board/Group Managed Income		-						
4010603 Good Samaritan Funds		(200.00)						
4010606 Undesignated Memorials Income		5,145.00						
Total 4010600 Board/Group Managed Income	-	4,945.00						
Total 4010000 Unrestricted Income	15,444.88	125,568.70						
4010505 Service/Fee Revenue	1.59	8.33						
4020000 Restricted Income								
4020100 Restricted Offerings								
4020101 Mission Offering		210.00						
4020102 Major Maintenance Offerings	310.00	3,990.00						
4020105 Scholarship Donations		100.00						
Total 4020000 Restricted Income	310.00	4,300.00						
Transfer to (from) savings		33,117.89						
Total Receipts	15,756.47	162,994.92						
Interest Gain(Loss)								
Expenditures								
Total 5010300 Elders	8,536.08	62,609.89						
Total 5010500 Directors	2,551.40	18,836.21						
Total 5010900 Finance	30.96	726.47						
Total 5011100 Worship	-	81.95						
Total 5011200 Education	-	59.69						
Total 5011300 Outreach	-	1,643.60						
Total 5011400 Trustees	6,193.55	45,861.38						
Total Expenditures - Before Mortgage Debt	17,553.11	130,060.66						
Mortgage Interest	801.64	5,785.35						
Mortgage Principal	1,914.63	13,228.54						13,228.54
Total Expenditures	20,269.38	149,074.55						
Excess (Deficit) Cash Flow	(4,512.91)	13,920.37						
ENDING BALANCES	33,541.13	33,541.13	13.30	-	48,077.56	119,671.49	221.04	181,317.01
**INTEREST CREDITED QUARTERLY								
EXPENSE DETAIL ON NEXT PAGE								

Mount Olive Lutheran Church									
Profit and Loss									
Jan - July 2025									
Detailed Expenditures	July 2025	2025 YEAR-TO DATE							
Expenditures									
5010300 Elders		(22.43)							
5010301 Pastor Salary	5,494.66	38,462.62							
5010303 Retirement Benefit Exp	666.23	4,572.31							
5010305 Health Insurance	2,170.25	15,377.94							
5010307 Mileage Reimbursement		730.90							
5010308 Continuing Education Exp		26.99							
5010309 Conference Expenses		770.00							
5010310 Professional Expenses		49.99							
5010311 GroupTermLife Insur Benefits	154.54	1,075.93							
5010401 Guest Pastor/Speaker Fee		250.00							
5010800 Stewardship Program	40.00	280.00							
5011206 Publications	10.40	1,035.64							
Total 5010300 Elders	8,536.08	62,609.89							
5010500 Directors		(22.43)							
5010501 Admin Secretary Salary	2,255.58	15,789.06							
5010502 Workers Comp Insurance		395.00							
5010601 Employer Soc Security Tax	140.12	981.07							
5010602 Employer Medicare Tax	32.77	229.44							
5010603 Retirement Benefit Exp Admin	72.18	498.15							
5010604 Group Term Life & Disability	50.75	353.30							
5010701 Office Supplies		612.62							
Total 5010500 Directors	2,551.40	18,836.21							
5010900 Finance		(8.67)							
5011003 Ministry Works Payroll	30.96	396.72							
5011110 Offering Envelope		338.42							
Total 5010900 Finance	30.96	726.47							
5011100 Worship									
5011102 Altar Supplies		81.95							
Total 5011100 Worship	-	81.95							
5011200 Education		59.69							
5011208 Vacation Bible School Exp	241.12	241.12							
Total 5011200 Education	241.12	300.81							
5011300 Outreach									
5011301 Advertising Expense		1,643.60							
Total 5011300 Outreach	-	1,643.60							
5011400 Trustees									
5010703 Office Equipment Leasing	376.24	3,152.97							
5011403 Cleaning Service	1,840.00	7,820.00							
5011404 Tech Expense		1,269.78							
5011405 Garbage Pick Up	147.32	964.29							
5011406 Gas Energy	652.00	4,016.44							
5011409 Maintenance and Repairs		1,900.98							
5011411 Property Insurance	2,040.65	14,524.13							
5011412 Snow Plowing		1,520.00							
5011413 Telephone & Internet	295.65	1,986.99							
5011414 Water & Sewer		820.71							
5011415 Electricity Church/Parson	696.46	4,940.81							
5011416 Electricity Education Wing	107.92	865.29							
5011417 Office Equip Maint/Repair		58.99							
5011421 WOMO Supplies	(62.69)	-							
5020104 Elevator Expense	100.00	2,020.00							
Total 5011400 Trustees	6,193.55	45,861.38							
Uncategorized Expenditure		0.35							
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