

**First Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Meeting Minutes
Special Meeting: Sept. 1, 2020 7:00pm**

“Renewed by Christ in Word, water, bread and wine, we serve our community and the world”

Members Present: Gordon Long, Bill Kautt, Pastor Gwen Hermanson, Cindy Nadeau, Ken Westphal, Michelle Doose, Garrett Paul, Mary Spear, Heidi Christenson, Shanon Nowell, John Sylvester, Mary Thompson, Carolyn Trnka

Members Absent: Ryenne Pettis, Harry Hunt

1. Call to Order: Bill Kautt at 7:02 p.m.

2. New Business:

- A. The Executive Committee called an emergency meeting of the council after meeting with Pastor Gwen earlier in the day. Pastor Gwen officially submitted her resignation from First Lutheran Church both verbally and through a letter of resignation. She is giving 30 days notice, but has unused vacation time she will use. Sept. 22 will be her last day. The resignation letter was also sent to the Synod. A motion was made to accept the resignation. S/C
- B. A farewell will be planned for September 20th. Mary Spear will take charge of planning with the help of Mary Thompson and Cindy Nadeau.
- C. We will need to be looking into an interim pastor, site profile and call process. Also, check availability of pulpit supply.
- D. Ninth grade parent guides will be contacted to see if someone would teach confirmation following the curriculum already in place. Sunday School will not start in the fall, possibly in Jan. if church is reopened. Calleigh Carlson will teach 7,8 graders.
- E. Council Retreat with Pastor Cook is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, September 27. Council members will email Bill with availability.

3. The Lord's Prayer

4. Adjournment