

## Immanuel Council Minutes

Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 832 9354 1222 Passcode: 511991

Call-In Number: 1-312-626-6799

**Attendees:** Mike Herrick, Eve Erickson, Jeff Stark, Yvette Fleming, Al Reedy, Pastor Connie Monson, and Leanne Homa

**Call to Order:** Yvette Fleming at 6:02 p.m.

**Devotions:** Prayer by Pastor Connie

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Connie will be on vacation April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>; Pastor Paul Simmons will fill in—he has recently retired from Saron Lutheran Church in Ashland.

**Secretary's Report:** mm by Eve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike, vote unanimous

**Treasurer's Report:** No report

**Old Business:**

### Updates & Reports/No Action Needed:

1. Fellowship Hall Report: the cabinets have been ordered at a cost of \$5216.87 & are scheduled to arrive mid-May. This leaves \$9783.13 left in the budget for the remainder of the projects. Gordo Anderson is taking charge of building the storage closet and getting the electrical work completed. Craig Sorvald will be starting work on the new sewing tables.
2. The three "100 Who Care—Ashland/Bayfield County" ([nlccwi.org/give/100-who-care](http://nlccwi.org/give/100-who-care)) meetings will be attended by Yvette as our representative. The council helped Yvette decide on organizations to nominate from the list of 501(c3) contenders. Voting will be done at each meeting for grant awards.
3. "Protecting Our Neighbors" (migrant aid) meeting at Luther Park in Chetek was held on March 17, 2025. Pastor Connie and Eve attended along with Pastor Rachel from Good Shepherd. Plans are being made for local activities.
4. "Cottage Meetings" of 6-8 members will meet in homes and focus on brainstorming ways we can love our neighbors. Meetings are intended to last about 1 ½ hours with light refreshments served. Volunteers needed to provide their homes for a meeting. Pastor Connie will lead each meeting.
5. The Synod Congregation Report was completed by Yvette and submitted to the synod office before the March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
6. The presentation by Sherman Edwards "The House that Sank" will be held sometime in 2025.

**New Business:**

1. Future ideas are brewing for the Fellowship Hall including painting walls and getting comfortable chairs. The Fellowship Hall committee & the council are working together on ideas. Mm by Al, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff, vote unanimous to get new chairs. No chairs have yet been chosen.
2. We have some very old chairs in the garage that need to be disposed of. We have a volunteer who is willing to haul them to the local dump as scrap metal (free) or have someone find a place that wants to accept them. Mm by Al, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Yvette, vote unanimous to dispose of old chairs by adding them to the metal recycling at the Cornucopia recycling center.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 6:00 pm

**Adjourned:** 6:40 p.m. by Yvette