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# *St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church*

*A Member Congregation of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod*

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## **Council Meeting** **Thursday, October 5, 2023**

**Call to Order** by Chairman Craig V. Timm at 6:42 p.m. with 17 members plus Pastor Lorfeld present.

**Additional Agenda Items:** Giving Tree, Trustees.

**Opening Prayer:** All shared in the Lord's Prayer.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion made by Jeff Gellerman, seconded by Bill Coley to accept the Minutes as printed with the change in Confirmation from "continue with" to "be invited to". Motion carried.

**Pastor Lorfeld:** Board Training with District, need coordinator. Jeff Gellerman volunteered. Evangelism Board Training, a coordinator is needed. Pastor Lorfeld stated that he has been nominated to be on the Board at Camp Luther. Budget Item to be moved to New Business. Motion made by Pastor Lorfeld, seconded by R.D. Manke to approve the remaining Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Automatic Door Openers: Richard (Fred) Kronenberg stated that he and his wife are willing to cover the cost of the installation and operation for Automatic Opening Doors on the north entrance of the church. Motion made by Pastor Lorfeld, seconded by R.D. Manke to accept the offer with much gratitude. Motion carried.

Propose 2024 Budget: Several line items were discussed and will be answered by Treasurer, Jerry Schimke. Air Conditioner for the church needs to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$25,000.00, plus additional electrical and plumbing costs. This item will be a Budgeted item in the 2024 Budget.

Veteran Service: Sunday, November 12 during the 9:30 a.m. service. Plans are progressing and a flyer will be included in the next Newsletter.

Giving Tree: "Best Christmas Ever" program will be a part of St. John holiday giving. Deb. Kawleski is the coordinator.

Devotional Booklets: *Hopeful Living* Booklets will return to the display in the Narthex for the next quarter.

**Information:** It was noted that October is "Pastor Appreciation Month"...be sure to acknowledge the work our pastor does for our congregation.

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Jeff Zimmerman, seconded by Jeff Gellerman to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried.

**Closing:** The October Council Meeting closed with Prayer and the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

*Judith A. Shepard*, Congregational Secretary