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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, August 1, 2024**

**Call to Order** by President Craig Timm at 7:04 p.m. with 11 members present plus Pastor Lorfeld.

Call for **additional Agenda Items**: None.

**Opening Devotion**: Video titled "Great Commission becomes the Great Omission. The Video was viewed by all and discussion followed.

**Consent Agenda**: Motion made by Doug Ross, seconded by Darleene Swen to approved the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

**RE:Vitality Survey**: Pastor reviewed the results of the 27 people who responded.

**Elders**: Bill Coley announce his retirement. The Council reluctantly accepted his decision.

**Membership**: Pastor noted that a gentleman has expressed the possibility of joining St. John.

**Trustees**: Jerry Swen informed the Council that the refuse service will no longer accept recyclables. Jerry will check with the Town of Grant.

**Treasurer**: Jerry Schimke requested the Congregation to search for a person or persons to become a Treasurer backup and a person to help prepare the Yearly Budget. Mr. Schimke also feels that an Endowment Committee be formed to review investments.

**Discussions**: Employee Compensations whether to publish or not to publish. Item is tabled until September. Also tabled until September is the investigation of financial/payroll/ processing software.  
**Focus**: The Neighborhood Table involvement was discussed. No decision was made.

**Invitation** to the Coffee with Friends on August 15th, 9 to 11 a.m.

**Closing**: The August 1, 2024 Council Meeting closed with Prayer and the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

*Judith A. Shepard*

Congregational Secretary

**Next Elder's Meeting, Thursday, September 5th at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Next Council Meeting, Thursday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m.**