

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Congregational Council Minutes  
June 2026

- I. Call to Order -6:30 p.m.
- II. Devotions/Opening Prayer -Pastor Jason (Kaden excused to be late due to NASA interview)
- III. Prayer Partners
- IV. Roll Call:  
Present: Pastor Jason Felici, Herb Harris, Joe Bruzda, Mark Jones, Dana Shannon, Heather Deemer, Darlene Hoffmann, Jarrett Nicely, Meri Beth Elder, Karen Clair, John Hugo, Linda Brigaman, Kaden Shannon (excused tardy).

Excused: Kayla Yasurek

Unexcused: None

**Motion to Accept Roll by Kaden Shannon; seconded by Mark Jones.**

- V. Adoption of Agenda  
**Motion to Accept the Agenda by Heather Deemer; seconded by Dana Shannon.**

VI. Review of May Minutes: Correct a typo under X. *Hugo*

VII. Communications -None

VIII. Ministry Report

- A. Pastor Jason and Pastor Jess have been catching up on visiting shut-ins.
- B. Attendance at services has been good, and May church events went well.
- C. Pastor Engstrom's dinner was enlightening and attendees enjoyed her presentation.

IX. Treasurer's Report:

- A. The closing balance for May's checking account was \$41,889.26
- B. We are still operating on numbers better than the predicted budget.
- C. Wages and salaries are less than planned possibly due to one full-time secretary.
- D. Committees are still on budget for the year.
- E. \$6,024 was spent on re-keying and locks for the church.
- F. An elevator repair and inspection cost \$7,041.
- G. Trinity Renovation Fund is still solid as well.

**Motion to Accept Treasurer's Report from Mark Jones; seconded by Pastor Jason Felici**

X. Unfinished Business

A. Property Updates

- Windows are still not done.
- ADA bathroom renovation -- We are waiting to hear from the city regarding codes, and committees are reviewing the next steps for the cost.

B. The Carillon will be installed on July 1, and Dan is getting the lift on June 30 to remove the panels in preparation for the install.

XI. New Business

A. There are two motions from Finance:

**The Finance committee moves to approve the 2026/27 Head Start Lease contract with an annual amount of \$19,000 paid in monthly installments of \$1,583.33.**

The motion passed unanimously.

**The Finance committee moves to renew a Mission Investment Fund in the amount of \$20,000 at an annual yield of 3.95% for two years.**

The motion passed unanimously.

**B. Special Gifts moves to award a scholarship in the amount of \$600 for Waynesburg University for Mallory Hudson.**

Motion passed with one abstention.

**C. There is a membership transfer request that Pastor Jason made a motion for council to accept.**

Mark Jones seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**D. Special Gifts *Request Form* has been updated and a motion was made to approve it.**

The Motion passed unanimously.

**E. A motion to award an Honorarium to Pastor Engstrom for her mission work was presented by Pastor Jason Felici, and council decided on the amount of \$500 from the Evangelism committee.**

Motion to accept the Honorarium by Dana Shannon; seconded by Darlene Hoffmann; passed unanimously.

There was a motion to adjourn by Kaden Shannon; seconded by Karen Clair.  
Adjournment with the Lord's Prayer at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Deemer