

COS Leadership Team Monthly Meeting
Minutes
Sunday evening, April 26, 2026
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to order: 6:01 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Kara Mitchell

Present at the meeting:

- Todd Neaves
- Dana Renner
- Kara Mitchell
- Dean Smith
- Amy Johnson
- Julie Kriegel
- Jeff Knight
- Kyle Anderson

Absent:

- Clarke Farmer
- Cary Fisher

2. Opening Prayer/Devotion: Todd Neaves

Swedish Connection: Everybody has a place here. Everyone has a place at the table and something to offer. All voices are welcome.

3. Consent Calendar and Packet Items: Kara Mitchell

a. Consent items

1. Minutes of the previous meeting
2. Financial reports: Previous Month
3. Pastor's Report

Motion to approve consent items

Motion: Jeff Knight

Second: Julie Kriegel

All in favor

4. Creative (“Generative”) Work: Kara Mitchell

- a. Senior Pastor Report Highlights - Kyle Anderson
- b. Staff Highlights - Vicki Roberds
 - Coordinator for Care Ministry

- A member of COS for 34 years. Children attended here.
 - 26 years of work at COS. Began under the direction of Susan Southall.
 - Keeps a register of members who are homebound, home visits, retirement centers, skilled living, assisted living, nursing homes, Hospital stays, surgeries.
 - Funeral and memorial services
 - Note writers
 - Niche purchases in Columbarium
 - Assistance forms and resources for those in need (utility bills, etc.)
 - Grocery bags and gas cards
 - Support groups
 - Prayer requests
 - There is a discretionary account for Care Ministries
 - There is a need for more volunteers to visit members who are unable to come to our church. (similar to what used to be “care chaplains” from years past).
- c. Lent/Easter Recap - Kyle Anderson
- Holy Thursday was great (Amy Johnson)
 - Pastor Kyle may create some sort of rotation between the drama of Holy Thursday and Good Friday.
 - The sermon series during Lent/Easter received positive feedback.
 - The Easter Eggstravaganza is a good event to invite families to the church.
- d. Listening Post Update - Kara Mitchell
- Pastor Kyle, Dean, Kara, and Dana met to discuss the upcoming Listening Post.
 - The next listening post will be during Sunday School but before lunch. We think this might be a good way to capture people while they are already at church.
 - Consider changing the name from “listening post” to something else, or do we keep the name but define it more clearly. This is an opportunity for the LT to share, but also for members of the congregation to share.
 - 11:00 am, May 31st, in the Community Hall.
- e. Nathan Oney Reception Planning - Kara Mitchell
- Nathan starts the first Sunday in July, but he will just attend on that day.
 - The welcome reception will be July 12th

5. Next Steps

a. Meeting Recap

i. Communications

1. Connect Article: Todd Neaves

2. Other Communications Needed?
 - ii. Review Action Items and Assign Responsibility
 1. Listening Post Planning
 - b. Date and Time of next meeting: May 17 , 2026, 6:00 p.m., Rm 12
Devotion & Opening Prayer: Clarke Farmer

Motion to move into executive session: Julie Kreigel
Second: Dean Smith
All in favor

6. Executive Session: 6:49

Closing to executive session: 6:57 p.m.

7. Adjournment: 6:59 p.m.