

## November 2025 Church Council Minutes

Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 7:29 PM, a meeting of the Church Council was held to review several topics regarding the ongoing efforts at Faith Lutheran Church of McLean. The meeting followed each person in attendance reading scripture and writing scripture throughout the building beginning at 6:32 PM. This is a Summary of the Devotion and Council meeting.

Council members in attendance:

- Staci Dowell
- Beth Feit
- Brian Goke
- Helen Haggarty
- Brad Morris
- Kevin Nicklas
- Brian Otto

Also in attendance:

- Mike Gilmore
- Bridget Koester
- Tera Miatke

Our Devotion opened with a prayer. The group read scripture and wrote scripture throughout the new church building.

**Brad** opened our Council meeting in prayer at 7:29 PM

**Brad** moved to approve the consent agenda:

- Beth moved to approve
- Tera seconded
- Council approved

**Mike** – Led Facility Updates discussion

- Concrete completed
- New heating units installed
- New landscaping complete
- Bids on drywall out
- Electricians will be working in coming week
- Fire suppression system will be installed at some point soon – this could take up to three weeks.
- Once subcontractors are finished, volunteers will be needed.

**Helen** – Provided an overview of the Faith building improvement budget

- December 7<sup>th</sup> – Council will give a financial update to the congregation.

**Beth** – 2026 Budget

- Beth will have the budget ready by the next meeting.

**Beth** – Led discussion around the Sunday morning offering team

- Beth went over the weekly offering approach.
- This will be a shared/rotating task for Council members.

**Beth and Helen** – Led the Bookkeeper Position Update

- David Theile continues onboarding with Aundria and Beth.
- Will announce him at the annual congregation meeting.

**Brad** – Led the Technology team Update

- Brent and Carl will lead the technology team.
- Brad went over the security camera options being considered.

**Brad** – Led the Security Team Update

- Went over the Church security policy
- We may need to add background checks for volunteers to the budget.
- More details to come.

#### **Other Items**

- **Brian G** – Annual Congregational meeting will be January 25, 2026.
- **Brad** – Next meeting we will meet at McGraw and have Bandana's catered in for Council and spouses.
- December reports are due by Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>
- Next meeting will be on **Tuesday, December 16, 2025, 6:00pm** at McGraw!

The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer at approximately 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Staci Dowell, Church Council member