

Agenda

Glyndon Lutheran Church

Annual Meeting Agenda

January 21, 2024

1. Call to Order:
2. President's Report
3. Secretary's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Reports: Any Discussion
6. 2024 Budget Determination
7. New Business
 - a. Elections:
 - Officers and Council Members
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
 - Two At Large Council Member
 - Nominating Committee
 - Boards—Eventide, Churches United
 - Delegates for Synod Assembly
8. Closing Prayer and Adjournment

January 2024, President's Report

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- *Matthew 21:21 – And, Jesus answered them, “Truly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what has been done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, “Be taken up and thrown into the sea,” it will happen.*
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- Dear brothers and sisters in Christ.
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- Glyndon Lutheran Church has experienced a lot of changes in 2023. We’ve struggled through financial difficulty, take on the work at hand and have put GLC on a path to success. We have repaid our line of credit at the bank, have almost paid back all of the internal funds we have borrowed and have a stable income and expense base to plan our future.
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- Our successful turnaround couldn’t have been accomplished without the hard work of so many members, the cooperation with Synod staff, and several individuals that have committed to work with us as pulpit supply pastors. We can truly see that faith put into action yields results.
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- I see a bright future for us in 2024 and as we gather for the Annual Meeting in January, we will make plans for restoring a regular pastor to serve and walk with us and look towards how we can expand that in 2025. We will continue to flourish with the continued involvement of all of you and the many ways you make GLC a vibrant and living congregation that works to fulfill our mission.
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- *Glyndon Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered community church, nurturing the faith of all generations.*
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- Yours in Christ,
- Jeff Wallin, President
- Glyndon Lutheran Church

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES 1-21-2024

Confirmed members in attendance: 32, in person and on Zoom, making a quorum

1. **Call to Order:** Jeff Wallin, council president
2. **Agenda approved**
Motion: Leann Wallin
2nd: Travis Warner
Approved
3. **President's Report**
4. **Secretary's Report**
January 2023 Motion to approve amended minutes: Deb Kinnen
2nd: Leann Wallin
Vote: Approved
5. **Treasurer's Report**
 - Currently balance is \$25,261
 - New property insurance premium is higher than prior years; paid the annual premium in December 2023 (saving close to the equivalent of a month's premium).
 - The Pig & Blanket raffle helped closed the gap in savings. Grateful to the LabrensSZ and Warners for their gift of the pork and the ladies for the quilt and all those who sold raffle tickets.

Motion to approve: Nick Kinnen

2nd: Kay Hopkins

Vote: Approved

6. **2024 Budget**
Three columns:
 - Pulpit supply & Faith Formation role
 - ½ time pastor – someone we would share with another congregation or choose only want to work half time (would do preaching, have office hours and do visitation), but would not likely be able to also do Faith Formation. May not need a full call process for this position.
 - full-time, new pastor

Motion to approve halftime-pastor budget: Deb Kinnen

2nd: Deb Tollefson

Vote: Approved

7. **Reports**
 - Property report

- Mary Circle
Backpack program
- Food Pantry
- Cookbooks: collected \$1,250 so far (almost repaying the \$1,500 seed money from the women of the church)

8. New Business

- a. Time to request parttime pastor based on budget approval to part-time process:

Motion to initiate a conversation for a part-time pastor with the synod now to begin in June: Nick Kinnen

2nd: Kay Hopkins

Approved

- b. Officers and Council Members

Treasurer: Ron Labrenz

Nominated by: Deb Tollefson

2nd: Bill Colbeth

Approved

Secretary: Shannon Powell

Nominated by: Deb Kinnen

2nd: Leann Wolff

Approved.

Two members at large:

Nomination:

Kelli Guhlke

2nd: Leann Wallin

Deb Tollefson

2nd: Marilyn Labrensz

Approved.

Board representations from the congregation to be determined

- Eventide
- Churches United

- Delegates for Synod Assembly (often at Concordia College)
- Recommendation to council to look into selling north lot
- TJ Hopkins offered to help with non-council position, such as a call committee or other support.

Motion to adjourn: Bill Colbeth

2nd: Marilyn Labrensz

Approved

ANNUAL MEETING January 22, 2023

Confirmed members in attendance: 38, in person and on Zoom, making a quorum

Call to Order: Jeff Wallin, council president

Agenda approved

Motion: Nick Kinnen

2nd: Pauline Litch

Approved

President's Report

Secretary's Report

January 2022 Motion to approve: TJ Hopkins

2nd: Marilyn Labrensz

Vote: Approved

September 2022 Motion to approve: Travis Warner

2nd: Mark Powell

Vote: Approved

Treasurer's Report

- Currently balance is (47,687) – reflects borrowing from ourselves to carry the church expense
- Pastor Bob's call reduced to 60%.
- Volunteers have taken over the custodial work.
- Wherever possible, expenses have been reduced.

Motion to approve: Kittie Eide

2nd: Marvel Jones

Vote: Approved

Reports

- Property report
- Mary Circle
- Backpack program – received ~~\$50,000~~ \$15,000 grant from Great Plains Food Bank. Now serving middle school and high school (instead of elementary) DGF. Filling bags is part of service project with youth.
- Food Pantry – open once per week, every other Tuesday and Thursday. 20-25 families per month. Gave more than 8,000 pounds of food last year.

2023 Budget

- Attendance and giving has not recovered since the pandemic closed activities at the church, nearly three years ago.
- Trimmed as many expenses as possible.

- Assuming everything remains the same, no salary increase, attendance at the same, and giving the same: deficit of \$46,000 for the year.
- Only way to continue is to borrow to cover existing expenses.
- Pastor compensation is the largest expense.

Motion: To begin the process of separating from Pastor Bob Kirchman.

Leann Wallin

2nd: Brittany Blickenstaff

Approved.

Motion: We utilize pulpit supply until we can decide what we can afford.

Maria Ranz

2nd: TJ

Amended motion: Hire someone to do confirmation on Wednesday for the 7th, 8th & 9th grade. Kay Hopkins

2nd: TJ

Approved.

Next step: Jeff Wallin to contact the Synod office to begin the process.

New Business

c. Officers and Council Members

President:

Nomination: Jeff Wallin by Deb Kinnen

2nd: Bill Colbeth

Approved; one opposed

Vice president:

Nomination: Maria Ranz agreed to continue

2nd: Brittany Blickenstaff

Approved.

Member at large:

Nomination: Travis Warner, Leann

2nd: Deb Tollefson

Approved.

Nomination:

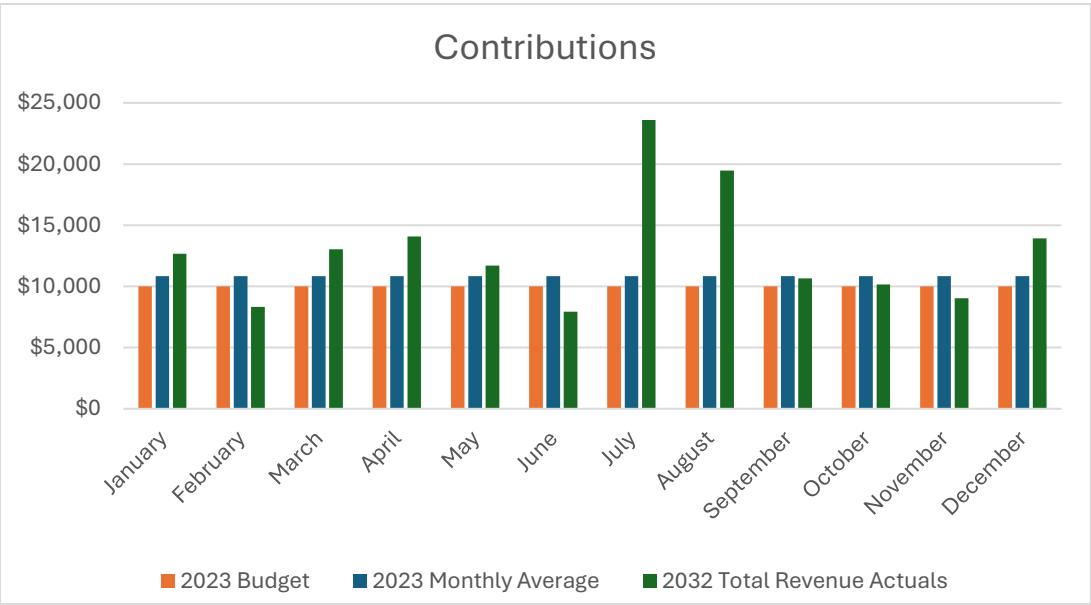
Tabled for Wednesday group

- Board representations from the congregation to be determined
 - Eventide
 - Pathways
- Delegates for Synod Assembly

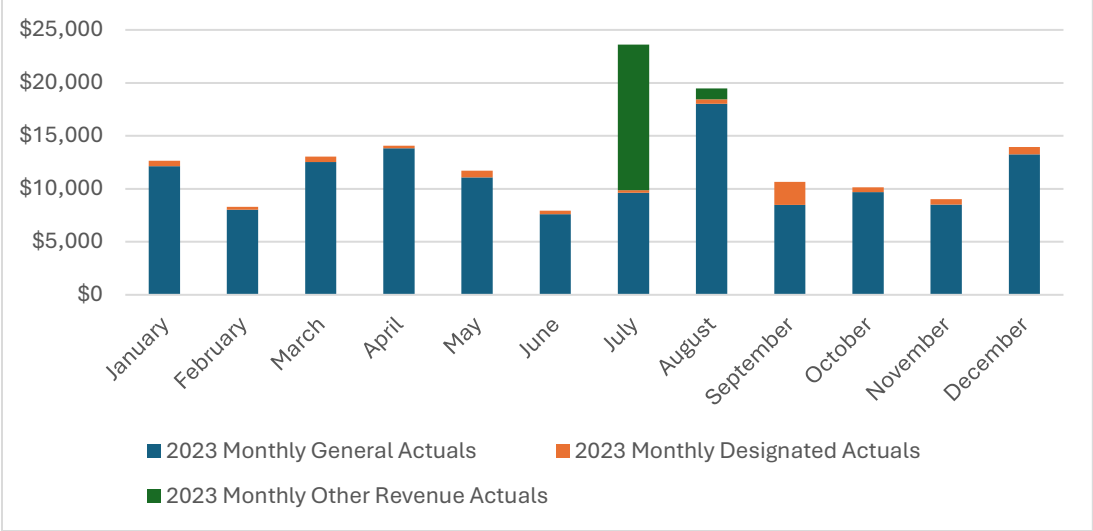
Motion to adjourn: Maria Ranz, 2nd: Leann Wallin

Approved

Month	2023 Monthly Average	2023 Budget	2023 Monthly General Actuals	2023 Monthly Designated Actuals	2023 Monthly Other Revenue Actuals	2023 Total Revenue Actuals	2023 Total Revenue Variance
January	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$12,140	\$523	\$0	\$12,663	\$1,830
February	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$8,023	\$295	\$0	\$8,318	-\$2,515
March	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$12,545	\$490	\$0	\$13,035	\$2,202
April	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$13,819	\$253	\$0	\$14,072	\$3,239
May	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$11,090	\$625	\$0	\$11,715	\$882
June	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$7,597	\$340	\$0	\$7,937	-\$2,896
July	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$9,622	\$252	\$13,725	\$23,599	\$12,766
August	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$18,040	\$419	\$1,007	\$19,466	\$8,633
September	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$8,470	\$2,188	\$0	\$10,658	-\$176
October	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$9,700	\$458	\$0	\$10,158	-\$675
November	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$8,524	\$519	\$0	\$9,043	-\$1,790
December	\$10,833	\$10,000	\$13,262	\$674	\$0	\$13,936	\$3,103
	\$130,000	\$120,000	\$132,832	\$7,036	\$14,732	\$154,600	\$24,600



Giving: General vs Designated



GLC FOUNDATION MEMORIAL FUND AND SAVINGS ACCOUNT

1/5/23	Foundation memorial fund checkbook balance	\$ 100.00
1/5/24	Checkbook balance	\$ 100.00
1/5/23	Savings account balance	\$5,056.69
3/15/23	Transfer to general fund	\$4,063.00
1/5/24	Interest	\$ 16.05
1/5/24	Savings account balance	\$1,009.74
1/5/24	Total memorial fund and Savings account	\$1,109.74

Ron Labrensz

Community Food Bank for 2024

We had a great year!! We averaged 25 families per month with 55 people served.

We gave out 13113 pounds. The Glyndon Boy Scouts collected 498 pounds of canned

Goods for us. Thank You.

We wouldn't be as successful if not for the volunteers-Nona, Deb K, Deb L, Sally and Pauline

Thanks to all for your time and energy. Thanks to my husband Tom for helping keep us organized and

helping me get all the product from the food bank.

Deb Tollefson

Properties Board

Spread crushed millings from the north lawn to the parking lot

Cleaned gutter on education wing

Installed LED bulbs in church office (1 fixture)

Replace electrical outlet (exterior) on north side of church

Ron Labrensz

Backpack Program

The program is currently serving 15 children in middle and high school.

The program received a donation from Northwestern Bank in Dilworth and also received \$193.38 from the “noisy offering”.

We are receiving single serve items from the Glyndon Food Pantry along with some free items from Great Plains Food Bank to place in our boxes.

Ron and Marilyn Labrensz

Glyndon Women of the ELCA

Starting balance 1-1-23	\$5750.06
Income	309.00
Output	2865.69
Ending balance 12-31-23	\$3193.69

Income

Serving funeral 225

Sale of coffee 84

75.36

56.27

Output

Equal Exchange-Coffee 164.00

Hobart-fix dishwasher 658.12

Bible camp 372.50

Lemonade, paper towels

Coffee cups, cold cups

Startup money for cookbooks 1539.45

Respectfully submitted By Deb Tollefson

2023 food pantry summary

We had a great year—9,590 pounds given out on pantry days plus additional 2,023 pounds given out on four separate mobile drive bys (largest drive by was 28 families)

540 pounds given to backpack program for the kids meals.

For the first time we received over a thousand pounds of food from the “Fill the Dome” project that the DGF kids participate in.

We have received grants from the state of Minnesota, so I have been able to purchase some basics not available thru the Food Bank.

The community food pantry could not succeed without our wonderful volunteers—Bill Colbeth, Leann Wolff, Nona Palya, Deb Langseth, Deb Kinnen, Pauline Litch, Sally Tanner, Ron and Marilyn Labrensz.

Deb Tollefson

Quilters

The quilters gave 2 quilts to the 2023 DGF graduates, and one each to Jess and to Rod.

Over 60 quilts were sent to Lutheran World Relief and several local missions.

We have a lot of supplies at this time, but could use more people to put the quilts together!

Darlene Sandal

