

Name: Council Meeting

Date: December 29, 2025

Meeting Start: 5:03 PM

Location: Google Meets

**Attendance: Frank, Jerry, Kim, Monyka, Rusty, Shelby, Zach; Special Guest: Budd**

**Pastor Update**

Rusty has been working with people dealing with seasonal grief that is common this time of year. Have had members deal with recent loss, continuing to work with them. Christmas Eve was a success. Thank you to everyone for their work in making it that way.

**Financial Update**

Current balance \$16,697. Does not include January expenses. Does also not include Sunday's offerings.

**Christmas Eve**

Heard positive feedback from others. Service gave warm fuzzies. Readers needed microphones. Will consider this for next year.

**Camera/Sound Update**

Has been installed and up and running each week. Camera mounted to pole and seems to be working. Does have an issue with focus, Yeti microphone is helping with getting the sound to the Live feed better. Want to try using the previous wireless microphone for Rusty during messages.

Monyka wants to see the church upgrade our sound system to something that sounds quality and doesn't cause ringing, feedback, or microphone cut out issues. Suggested a fundraiser in 2026 for all new updated sound equipment. Council agreed and will talk about how to bring this forward to the members.

**Holiday Food Drive Recap**

Has been ongoing since November through Christmas. Grand total \$1,085 towards gift cards. Still have gift cards in our possession to continue to distribute through 2026 as needed.

**New Treasurer Announcement**

With Sue Irwins resignation as treasurer. Kim Sunde will be joining the council and will be taking over these duties starting in January. Will be announced in the newsletter, social media, and announced on Sunday. Will also make a social media post thanking Sue for her work. Kim will get a picture and bio to Zach for the website.

**Bible Study Update**

Good to start new series the Wednesday after New Years. First bible study in 2026 will be January 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Newsletter**

Will be going out in the next few days. Kim wants to see more ways to advertise us having a monthly newsletter as she didn't know we offered it until recent. Advertisements for the newsletter will be changed here in the future.

**T-Shirts**

Shelby will look into vendors. Council prefers a vendor who can do direct purchase and not a bulk order. This allows people to purchase through the website without having to stock multiple sizes.

**Welcome Bags**

Have run out of the crosses. Frank mentioned he does not like the idea of the rosaries as this is not part of our religious practices. Jerry has asked council to find anything they think would be good for these bags and send them in the group chat.

**Annual Meeting 2026**

Annual meeting will be held March 1<sup>st</sup>. Will be a potluck following service. Advertisements for the event will start with this month's newsletter, and Facebook event will be posted, as well as website reminders and social media. Council to think about 2026 goals to share with the members. Zach mentioned we have had previous conversations about council members and term lengths, but never set anything, Kim is taking over a new term, and Zach will be stepping down in time for the council/church to fill the secretary position at the meeting. Monyka asked if we fill the secretary's position with a new member, and Zach can continue as his schedule permits. Zach mentioned that he is willing to continue with the creative side (website maintenance, creative help for Christmas/Easter, etc. ) of church, but will not be able to execute large projects that have been done in the past. This topic will be discussed at the next meeting.

**Next meeting: Monday January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026; 5:00 PM; Location: Google Meets**

Official Meeting End: 6:00 PM

**Future Agenda Items**

2026 Goals for the Church

Camera/Sound

T-Shirts

Welcome Bags Supplies

Annual Meeting/Secretary Position