

Highlights of LMLC Church Council Meeting May 25, 2025

- **Pastors' Reports:** No questions were raised. A comment noted Pastor Monica's long hours, especially between Easter and graduation. She expects a lighter schedule during summer.
- **Financial Report:** Aaron Conklin shared a limited financial update due to ongoing staffing problems at Cooke and Assoc. accountants. Pastor Monica and Marcia will contact the firm about potential changes if no improvement is seen. Council approved the following:
 - Paying off the MIF roof loan
 - Proceeding with planned Capital Campaign renovations
 - Reinvesting \$125,000 of designated funds into a 6-month CD
- **Door Repairs:** The LHH door and Narthex door repairs were completed. The Fellowship Hall door repair and lock installation is pending scheduling.
- **Von Bora Haus Committee:** Jan and Carla will prepare a presentation on the committee's reports to present to the congregation on a Sunday in September.
- **Ryan Bennett Internship:** Ryan will assist with special projects such as support for the 140th Anniversary Committee research as well as others.
- **Ray Riffin's Deacon Process:** Ray completed his clinical pastoral education program and will attend a week-long intensive study at seminary in June. He will serve as assistant to Pastor Monica during future services.
- **New Members:** John Hile and Stephanie Cox are potential new members.
- **Eagle Scout Project:** A scout may do a landscaping project for the church in fall/winter through the Creation Care Committee.
- **Summer Programs:** Pastor Monica will continue Tuesday Contemplative Prayer time and begin a book study on *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr.
- **Continuing Education:** Pastor Monica is required to take 50 hours of continuing education each year. This year she may take time in late July or early August to work and study toward completing her required hours.
- **Committee Needs:** Volunteers are needed for bulletin boards, mowing, and livestream assistance.
- **Campus Center Blinds:** Council approved replacing blinds.
- **LHH Lease:** Council voted to maintain the lease at \$1350 per month for another year.