



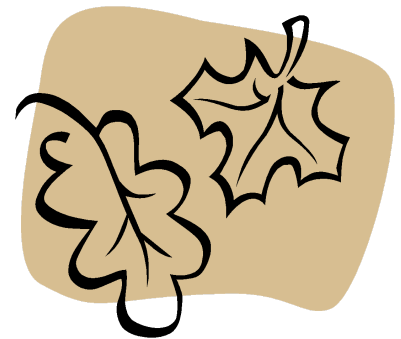
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# **Agenda** *for the* **Autumn**

**Congregational Forum / Sunday, October 13, 2024,  
and**

**Meeting of the Voters' Assembly / Sunday, November 3,  
2024, each at 10:45 AM**



# Voters' Meeting Agenda

- A. Open – Chairman calls the meeting to order at 10:45 AM
- B. Opening prayer by Pastor
- C. Roll call – Voters present in person or virtually:
- D. Approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Voters' Assembly (Sunday, January 28, 2024)
- E. **Acceptance of new voting members** (male communicants 18+ who have signed the Voters' Assembly list indicating their agreement with Peace's Constitution & Bylaws. If you have not done this and wish to participate in our business meetings, please speak with the president of the congregation):

1.

## F. Reports

- 1. Pastor Timmermann
- 2. Elder Terry Brower
- 3. Vice-President (Treasurer) Josh Gower
  - a. Bookkeeper's report by Andy Winter (e-mailed) –Summary of the report:

Through September 2024	Annual Budgeted Amount	Y-T-D Actual Amount	% of Budget
Gen. Fd. Income	\$155,102.00	\$108,418.23	69.90%
Gen. Fd. Expenses	\$159,754.00	\$115,428.19	72.25%
Difference	\$-4,652.00	\$-7,009.96	-2.35%
Balance as of	01/01/24	End-of-Month*	Difference* *
Dedicated Funds (A)	\$101,163.76	\$71,301.73	\$-29,862.03
Total Liabilities & Equity (B)	\$143,067.64	\$106,601.27	\$-36,466.37
Unrestricted Funds Balance (B-A=C)	\$41,903.88	\$35,299.54	\$-6,604.34

* Amount left over. ** Amount changed since January 1, 2024.			
Through September 2023	Annual Budgeted Amount	Y-T-D Actual Amount	% of Budget
Gen. Fd. Income	\$151,198.00	\$115,721.37	76.54%
Gen. Fd. Expenses	\$150,413.00	\$109,692.36	72.93%
Difference	\$785.00	\$6,029.01	3.61%
Balance as of	01/01/23	End-of-Month Bal.*	Difference* *
Dedicated Funds (A)	\$91,542.27	\$93,300.09	+\$1,757.82
Total Liabilities & Equity (B)	\$132,798.58	\$144,592.09	+\$11,793.51
Unrestricted Funds Balance (B-A=C)	\$41,256.31	\$51,292.01	+\$10,035.69
* Amount left over. ** Amount changed since January 1, 2023.			

- b. Financial Secretary by Ralph Holewa (emailed):
  - The Treasurer's Report & Financial Secretary's Report agree for Y-T-D General Offerings.
- c. Maintenance: (see Pastors' report)

4. Budget Committee (council): Ministry Plan drafted and submitted for your approval.
5. Church Council: We have been considering options for fixing or repairing the parsonage deck. In light of our financial situation, and council's determination that the deck is not dangerous in its current state, we are not pursuing further action at this time. We will continue to monitor the situation. We expect to revisit this in a year or two.

**G. Recommendations from the Church Council:**

1. 2025 Ministry Plan Budget

It is the recommendation of the Church Council to the Voters' Assembly that you approve the proposed Ministry Plan and Budget for the year of our Lord 2025 with a total of \$145,000.00 in planned income and \$166,769.00 in planned spending.

[Notes from Council: The difference of \$22,769.00 is projected to be covered by our

unrestricted funds. However, that would only leave a projected balance of about \$3,000 in undesignated funds by the end of 2025. We see three main ways members can help boost our ministry: 1) Review your finances and see if you are giving your best possible offering; 2) Join or help our planned Merger Exploration Team to look into the feasibility of merging with one or more area WELS congregations for more effective use of resources; 3) Join or help our planned Renewal/Growth Team to explore ideas for new ministry opportunities and how to access additional funding.]

Discussion:

Decision:

2. Audit

It is the recommendation of the Church Council that the Voters' Assembly approve to omit an audit for 2022 and 2023 because of lack of persons in church to perform a self-audit.

Discussion:

Decision:

3. Multi-Function Device Printer

It is the recommendation of the Church Council that the Voters' Assembly re-designate funds out of the Power of Praise and Lifting Hearts and Hands dedicated accounts to purchase a Multi-Function Device.

[Notes: The lease on our current machine has expired and we are shopping for one or two to replace it at a lower cost.]

Discussion:

Decision:

**H. New Business**

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MOTION by \_\_\_\_\_, supported by \_\_\_\_\_,  
to \_\_\_\_\_.

Discussion:

Decision:

2. .

MOTION by \_\_\_\_\_, supported by \_\_\_\_\_,  
to \_\_\_\_\_.

Discussion:

Decision:

**I. Elections**

1. At our February meeting, the Church Council appointed Michael Grimm to be Recording Secretary and we now ask you to ratify this action.

**J. Housekeeping & Announcements:**

1. The next **Voters' Meeting** is tentatively scheduled for **Sunday, January 19, 2025.**

**K. Adjourn - Pastor closes with a prayer. Time:\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Recorded by:\_\_\_\_\_.**

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