

Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting & Finance Committee

Thursday, June 11, 2026

(Approved by the Church Council on September 8, 2026)

1. **7:00 PM Call to Order/Welcome – Chris Hoelter**
2. **7:00 PM Opening Prayer – Elaine Von Wald**
3. **7:00 PM Attendance. Chris Hoelter, Amity Cunningham, Paul Brandt, Jim Riedl, Dan Lorenz, Elaine Von Wald, Suzanne Frank, Chuck Kunert**

4. 7:08 PM Agenda - Budget Discussion

The Updated Preliminary Budget was presented to the Finance Committee and Church Council. Multiple detail line items were discussed and a few revisions were made. Some items will need feedback from members not able to attend today.

Update on the Solar Project was given. Negotiations with the vendor since the Congregational vote have netted a lower overall price for the project. The desired vendor is still Sunward Power, based on their cost, warranty, and quality of materials used.

The timeline for activation of the Solar system was discussed and due to the late start we will not likely bank many credits with the power company to dramatically reduce our electrical expenses during the first year. It was discussed using the PLACE Board funds in the endowment to offset the ~4% interest being paid on the loan from the endowment.

5. 8:15 PM Council Action Items

Motion to Approve FY 2026 – 2027 Preliminary budget by Suzanne Frank, 2nd Chuck Kunert – Approved by voice vote.

Motion to approve the use of PLACE funds in the endowment to offset the interest on SunPower loan during the 2026 -2027 Fiscal Year. Motion by Chuck Kunert, 2nd by Elaine Von Wald – Approved by voice vote.

Approved budget to be presented at a Congregational meeting on Sunday - 7/12/2025

6. Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Amity Cunningham, Secretary