

ELC February 10, 2026
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 6:05PM

Present: Peter, Patti, Lu Ann, Ann, Pastor Jenny, Tasha
Absent: Sue, Ed, Ashley, Barb

Devotional: Song: They Will Know We are Christian by Our Love.

Thank to all the officers that have served this last year. Your work has not gone unnoticed and you are appreciated.

January minutes review and approval

Motion: Ann

Second: Lu Ann

Passes @ 6:11PM

Financials/Treasurer Report

January Fund Transfer

Checking is sitting good

Last 2 Sundays have been good

Gift from Hoagy's Memorial

Legacy Giving

Tabled approval of financial/treasurer report due to financial being cut off on pages reviewed.

Utility Bills:

Gas is high: Mid December -March

Electric is high: June-August

To Better manage and budget we are able to budget pay with Black River Municipal Utilities (BRMU). What that would be mean is we would pay 900.00 a month every month. BRMU, what reassess as need or required.

Peak Times: BRMU Bill is between 1000.00-1300.00

Off Peak Times: BRMU Bill between 675.00-700.00

Motion made by Ann to sign up for budget payment plan with BRMU

Second by Patti

Passes @ 6:19PM

Leadership for 2026

President -

Vice President- Ann Smetana

Secretary: Peter Bushman

Treasurer: Erin Edzon

Erin has met with Pastor Jenny and Lizzie, she comes with a wealth of knowledge as she works in Non-for-profit auditing.

President Vacancy- Peter will for serve as Interim until March 31,2026. Tasha would then service as interim Secretary until March 31, 2026.

As of April 1, 2026, if President is still vacant Ann Smetana, VP will step in until President vacancy is filled.

Motion made by Patti to accept leadership as noted above.

Second by Lu Ann

Passes @ 6:31PM

At this time, we will need to add ANN SMETANA AND ERIN EDZON to our accounts at COOP CREDIT UNION (CCU) and MISSION INVESTMENT FUNDS. They will have the ability to sign checks and use the CCU Debit/Credit Card on behalf of Evangelical Luther Church, Black River Falls, WI. Further, we will need to remove SUSAN (SUE) LEADHOLM AND BARB OLSON-LOUIS from accounts. As they no longer are in a position that requires access to financial accounts.

At this time, we will be issuing a CCU Debit/Credit Card to BETH BUE.

Motion Made by Ann to agree to the above information

Second by Patti

Motion passes: 6:33 PM

Witness Report:

Mighty Table:

Numbers are down a bit: 115 meals

Meets 2 unhoused individuals at the Library

Outreach:

Provided support for the warming shelter at UMC.

Blankets and Food

Community Connect January 29

Shower Kits and Food Kits

64 People served

Provided hygiene items to a few families after community partners reached out.

Provided care kit for new family moving into the Western Dairyland House.

Education Report:

No Meeting

Next Meeting is March 9

Worship Report:

Need for Worship Helpers

Greeters, Ushers, Coffee Hour Hosts

Going to try Gluten Free Crackers Vs Bread

Lent Theme: Tell Me Something Good

Mid-week Lent Service will be in Chapel

Next Meeting: February 11, 2026

Pastor Retreat

Arizona Retreat was amazing

Annual Meeting was smooth

Stewardship:

3rd Sunday of the month will be noisy offering

To go to Red Envelope or Other Monthly Need

Missionary of the Day

What is it?

Next meeting February 24, 2026

W/ELCA

Luncheons are amazing

Sonia is doing an amazing job.

Building and Grounds

Wayne is an amazing asset. He is will to get things done.

We will need help with the basement bathroom project

Your time or financial donations

We received 1000.00 from Hoagy's Memorial to put toward the project.

Thank You to those who deep cleaned our kitchen basement.

Joy and Alice

Would like to get the follow floors in Basement cleaned up and waxed

Closing: Lord's Prayer

Adjourned: 7:27PM