

**RICHLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH
CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 9, 2011**

Members Present: Rob Barr, Dave Brandes, Mot Hedges, Kathy Killand, Dave Larkin, Sandy Steele, and Mark Underwood.

Members Absent/excused: Ben Barr

Ex-officio Member Present:

Guests: Rich Olsen, Debbi Stankavich

The Regular monthly meeting of the Richland Lutheran Church Congregation Council was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., President Mot Hedges being in the chair and the secretary being present. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mot Hedges.

The minutes of the meeting held on July 9, 2011, were approved, as revised.

In Pastor Martens absence, Pastor Ernst prepared the Pastor's Report that was distributed at the meeting. Average church attendance for 2011 through August 4th was 376. For July the average was 280 compared to 305 during July 2010.

Treasurer Rich Olsen presented a financial report showing that income is up from last year but is falling below expenditures. Income through July, 2011, was \$415,317 as compared to \$401,345 through the comparable period in 2010 but was below the expected income of \$458,488. During July alone, income was over \$20,000 below budget assumptions. Expenditures to-date totaled \$486,863, slightly below the budgeted \$488,863. The net cashflow for the year to-date is a negative \$40,499.

Mark Underwood moved and the Council approved a resolution authorizing Motley Hedges, the Richland Lutheran Church President, David Brandes the Richland Lutheran Church Vice President, and David Larkin the Richland Lutheran Church Secretary to complete the financial forms to authorize Loren Schmid, Richard Olsen, and Gary Weible to give instructions for Richland Lutheran Church accounts at Merrill Lynch, Vanguard, and Ameren Corporation.

Rob Barr closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting adjourned at 9:39 pm.

Dave Larkin,
Secretary