

	Ushers	Greeters	Reader	Communion Assistants	Communion Set-Up
September 6	Dave & Rebecca Blum	Jerry & Joyce Roust	Karen McGregor	Pat & Karen McGregor	Ron & Sue Brooks
September 13	Ron & Sue Brooks	Ross & Ruth Heilman	Ruth Heilman		
September 20	Brad Matthes Dave Blum	Olstrom Family	Tony Miller	Mike & Vicki Youngerberg	Tony & Becky Miller
September 27	Daryl & Rita Schoemaker	Bob & Meridel Kellogg	Donna Krahmer		



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

2nd – Oliver Olstrom
4th – Andry Ranaivoson
13th – Chuck Kindgren
15th – Pam Eccles
20th – Reinhard Riessen
25th – Karen McGregor

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

1st – Clark and Jane Diel
25th – Ron and Sue Brooks

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026



AUGUST 23, 2026 COUNCIL MINUTES

Members Present: Clark Diel, Reinhard Riessen, Donna Krahmer, Marilyn Anderson and Pastor Aaron Deutsch. **Members Absent:** Jerry Roust, Meridel Kellogg and Rebecca Blum

President Marilyn Anderson **called the meeting to order** at 10:25 AM. Marilyn provided a devotion from the book “Jesus, Our Perfect Hope” by Charles Stanley, which cited John 14:12.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda. **M/S/P**
Minutes: July regular meeting minutes were approved and filed. **M/S/P**
Treasurer’s Report: Report was approved and filed. **M/S/P**

Pastor’s Report: Pastor Aaron reported that his time spent on Augustana District duties is increasing as preparations begin for upcoming fall events. Regular church programming (including men’s, women’s, and adult Bible studies, along with choir rehearsals) is scheduled to resume in September. Vacation Bible School was a great success, with 20 students participating. Additionally, Pastor Aaron noted he will be away over Labor Day weekend to attend his sister-in-law’s wedding. Pastor Scott Peterson, a retired LCMC pastor, will serve as guest preacher and lead worship in his absence on Sunday, September 6th.

- Committee Reports:**
- **Benevolence/Stewardship:** Quarterly benevolence payments were made.
 - **Education/Evangelism/Outreach:** No action items. Work continues on the upcoming Backyard Bash, and the committee looks forward to hosting this annual event.
 - **Personnel:** Reinhard confirmed that all completed job performance evaluations for Pastor Aaron have been received from the council. He will tabulate the results and comments before meeting with Pastor Aaron to review the feedback.
 - **Property/Facility:** No action items.
 - **Worship:** The committee reported that it is currently exploring options to purchase new altar paraments as well as updated storage solutions for them.

- Old Business:**
- Church cleanup days are scheduled for August 26th and 27th. Clark Diel has arranged for a dumpster trailer to be on-site that week for discarding unwanted items, while Pastor Aaron has coordinated with the VINE Thrift Store to pick up surplus furniture the church no longer needs.
 - Preparations are underway for the 2026–2027 fiscal year, which begins on October 1st. Committees are reminded to submit their budget requests to the council executive team as soon as possible. Additionally, the nominating committee will meet soon to identify replacements for three outgoing council members.

New Business: New member requests were received from Bob and Sara Zimprich, and the council joyfully and unanimously approved their membership. **M/S/P**

The meeting **adjourned** at 10:50 AM and closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

FINANCES

ACCOUNT BALANCES as of July 31, 2026

Checking Account	\$13,305.02
Savings Account	\$22,307.25
Money Market	\$37,536.94
Building Loan	(\$61,395.97)

JULY 2026

Income	\$19,441.01
Expenses	(\$29,065.77)

**July expenses include \$4,174.00 paid out to our quarterly benevolence recipients.*



September 2026 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 1:00pm: Worship Committee	3 11:30am: EEO Committee	4	5
6 9:30am: Worship	7	8	9 Noon: Lectionary Bible Study	10	11	12
13 9:30am: Worship 4:30pm: Backyard Bash	14 10:00am: Morning Prayer	15 1:00pm: WOW Meeting	16 Noon: Lectionary Bible Study	17	18	19 Augustana District WOW Gathering
20 9:30am: Worship 10:30am: Church Council	21 10:00am: Morning Prayer	22	23 Noon: Lectionary Bible Study 1:00pm: Women's Bible Study 6:00pm: Potluck and Game Night	24 9:00am: Men's Bible Study	25	26
27 9:30am: Worship	28 10:00am: Morning Prayer	29	30 Noon: Lectionary Bible Study 1:00pm: Women's Bible Study 5:30pm: Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm: Adult Bible Study			

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WOW GATHERING

RLC is excited to host the Augustana District Women of the Word Gathering on September 19th! To get ready, we're planning a fun prep afternoon on Tuesday, September 15th at 1:00 PM. We'll walk through volunteer roles, assemble participant bags, and decorate the church to make our guests feel at home. Whether you've already signed up to help or just want to lend a hand, we'd love to have you join us!

POTLUCK & GAME NIGHT

Who's ready for a good old-fashioned Lutheran smorgasbord? Join us on Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:00pm for a potluck! Let's make an evening of it. Do you have favorite games your family loves—Phase 10, Uno, cribbage, Yahtzee, or a classic board game? Bring them! We'll share great food, plenty of laughs, and enjoy a night of fellowship together.

SEPTEMBER GOSPEL TEXTS

September 6: Luke 2:1-20
September 13: Matthew 18:21-35
September 20: Matthew 20:1-16
September 27: Matthew 21:23-32

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTING

A new year of growth, learning, and fun is right around the corner! Sunday School kicks off on Sunday, September 13th, immediately following worship. There's a place at the table for every child ages 5 and up as we dive into God's Word and build a foundation of faith that lasts a lifetime. We're also looking for passionate teachers to help guide our young learners! If you feel called to make a lasting impact in a child's life, reach out to Pastor Aaron to learn more about joining the team.



BACKYARD BASH

Pack your lawn chairs, yard games and appetite! You're invited to our annual Backyard Bash on Sunday, September 13th, from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM on the south lawn. We'll be grilling up fresh hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixings, plus chips and ice cream for dessert. Enjoy a relaxing evening under the trees with live entertainment from Father Paul van de Crommert (aka "Cowboy Crommert"), featuring a mix of sacred music, folk tunes, and John Denver favorites. A free-will offering will be collected to support RLC's Mercy Ministry Fund.

A WORD OF THANKS

"I want to thank all those who helped me when I fell at church. Thanks to Tony for taking me to the Emergency Room. Thank-you to Pastor Aaron for the prayers and visits, and all the cards and prayers from the congregation, which were very special to me. Also, thank-you to Marilyn Anderson for taking me to all my appointments. It sure is nice to have friends that are so good."

- in Christian love and prayer, Victor Kurth -

**BE SURE TO CHECK THE
SEPTEMBER CALENDAR TO SEE
WHEN BIBLE STUDIES AND
PROGRAMS ARE RESTARTING!**