

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Leaders, Servants, Staff 2024-2025

(Feb. 2024-Jan. 2025)

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL:

#### Officers of the Congregation:

**President:** Kris Peterson '26; **Vice President:** Chris Johnson '27; **Past President:** Tim Lecander '25; **Secretary:** Anne Clausen '26

**At Large Members:** Brian Caton '25 (facilities and ground liaison), Karin Martin-Hiner '25 (worship and music liaison), Lise Kildegaard '26 (education liaison), Marilyn Rue '26 (outreach and hospitality liaison), Sara Hopkins '27 (stewardship liaison) *The work of the council is facilitated by another officer of the congregation, the* **Treasurer:** John Moeller *And by the* **Personnel Committee:** \*Matt Bills '26, Wes Anderson '25, Steve Holland '27

#### STANDING COMMITTEES:

*\*-denotes committee chair*

#### **EDUCATION:**

\*Melissa Bills '25, Laurie Biedermann '25, Harriet Hayes '26, ex officio: Kelli Gapinski, Erica Yaneff

**Adult Forum Subcommittee:** *on pause*

#### **OUTREACH AND HOSPITALITY:**

Bonnie Johnson '25, Sue Blom '26, Jill Wood '27, ex officio: Erica Yaneff

#### **Communications Subcommittee:**

Elizabeth Kaschins, Jane Kemp, Kathy Buzza

#### **FACILITIES AND GROUNDS:**

\*Jim Fritz '25, Bob Wilson '26, Lance Wood '26, ex officio: Tristan Occhipinti

#### **Landscape Subcommittee:**

Elizabeth Kaschins, Jane Kemp, Norma & Harley Refsal

#### **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Luther Snow '25, Melanie Folkerts '26, Steve Hopkins '27

#### **WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE:**

\*Bobby Vrtis '25, Rolf Svanoe '26, Dave Siefken '27; ex officio: Brooke Joyce (Music Director)  
Elizabeth Kaschins (altar guild)

#### CHURCH STAFF

**Interim Pastor:** Pr. David Wrightsman (Jan-June)

**Music Director:** Brooke Joyce

**Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry:**

Kelli Gapinski

**Ministry and Communications Coordinator:**

Erica Yaneff

**Office and Building Manager:** Tristan Occhipinti

**Facilities Caretaker:** Mike Sammons

**Security:** Erik Berg

#### ADDITIONAL COMMITTEES,

#### REPRESENTATIVES, POSITIONS

**Aase Haugen Senior Services Representatives:**

Kathy Buzza '25, Cindy Ernst '26, Matt Tapscott '27

**Audit Committee: (appointed by council)**

John Schroeder, Steve Holland, Jason Martin-Hiner, Paul Skrade

**Depot Outlet, Inc., Voting Representatives:**

**(elected by council)**

Bonnie Flora, Melanie Folkerts

**Decorah Community Food Pantry:** Luther Snow '27

**Governing Documents Committee:**

Elizabeth Kaschins, Jane Kemp

**Lutheran Cemetery Association Representative:**

Dave Peterson, Gary Hildebrandt

**Mission Assistance Fund:**

Pastor, John Moeller, Matt Tapscott

**Mission Endowment Fund Committee:**

Jerry Bruce '26, Jim Buzza '25, John Jefferson '25, Brian Solberg '25, Erin Anderson '26

**Nominating Committee:**

Marty Steele, Reg Laursen, Pastor, two outgoing Council members elected by Council in Fall 2024

**Northeastern Iowa Synod/Upper Iowa River**

**Conference Voting Members:**

Kris Peterson, Chris Johnson, Pastor

**Altar Guild Chair:** Elizabeth Kaschins

**Financial Secretary:** Marie Freerking

**WELCA Chair:** Bev Sheridan

*\*-denotes team convenors*

**Social Justice Team:** (re-forming) \*Marion Pruitt-

Jefferson, Marty Steele, Marilyn Rue, Martha

Monson Lowe, George Lowe, Kathy Buzza, Cheri Lane

**Racial Justice Team:** \*Jane Jakoubek, Sandhya

Purohit Caton, Laura Barlament, Kelli Gapinski,

Gabe Hiner, Bob Larson, Germano Streese, Cheri

Lane