Highlights of Council Meeting — April 7, 2025

President Glen Fynaardt opened with devotions from James 5:13-16. We should pray about all things, whether for sickness or in happiness. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective, even though we may not always see the results we expect. God's providence is still supreme.

The minutes of the March 3, 2025, Council meeting were read and approved.

The elders' and deacons' reports were received for information.

The Music Committee minutes were received for information.

The treasurer's report was received and approved. The General Fund balance was \$210,493 as of March 31, 2025. The Building Fund balance is \$54,104.

The Pulpit Supply report was provided.

- At our May 4 evening service, the Gospel Singers will present the message through song.
- Pastor Swinney will be installed on June 1, 2025, and will begin his ministry by preaching at both services that day.

Progress is being made on parsonage renovations. It is expected to be ready for the Swinneys to move in the last week of May.

Approval was given to spend up to \$10,000 for Pastor Swinney's moving expenses (approximately \$5,000 for renting a U-Haul truck, and the remainder for mileage, lodging, gas, and miscellaneous expenses). Related to Pastor Swinney's move, there will also be expenses for an immigration attorney at a later date. The Welcome Committee will provide some meals and basic staples to welcome the Swinneys. A fellowship meal will be planned for June 1.

Our annual joint Ascension Day Service with the churches of Cedar, Leighton, Peoria, and Tracy will be held on Thursday, May 29, 2025, 7:00 p.m., at Tracy CRC.

The concept minutes were read, and Dale Fynaardt closed the meeting with prayer.

The next Council meeting will be May 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.