

BOA Meeting Minutes for July 27, 2026

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, draw our hearts to you, guide our minds, fill our imaginations, control our wills, so that we may be wholly yours. Use us as you will, always to your glory and the welfare of your people, through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Attendance, in person and virtual								
Board Members	X	Brian Munsterman	X	Aaron Gondorchin	X	Greg Rosholt	X	Kari Davies
				Piklu Roy	X	Danielle Herrera-Markwald	X	Connie Bernardy
		Dan Eittreim	X	Mike Youngberg				
Staff	X	Pastor Matt			X	Katie Buettner		

Devotions

Danielle – serving others

Approvals

June 2026 BOA meeting minutes – **approved as written**
 Agenda for July 2026 BOA meeting – **approved as written**

Congregational Life Events

Kari
 Released by Death: Cori Olsrud
 Adult Baptism: Lee Foss

Finances

Greg

- June 2026 income less than expenses
- YTD about - \$27,000
- SPLC staff has done a great job keeping expenses down
- Income has been down

Business Manager's Report

Katie

- Getting ready for garage sale
- Gaga pit moving on Wednesday

Pastor's Report

Pastor Matt

- I. Pastoral Acts
 - A. Visitation
 - B. Funerals slowing down
- II. Staffing
 - A. Associate Pastor
 1. Still looking
 2. Will look into seminary student for 2027
 - B. Visitation Pastor
 1. Pr. Darby has started his new call
 2. Pr. Heidi Zimdars is our new visitation pastor
 - a) She is very experienced
 - b) She's already organizing visits
 - c) She will preach for me a few times a year
 - C. Organist
 1. Julie has stepped back from the organist position
 2. Peder Flaten is our new organist

- a) He is an excellent musician
 - b) He started on July 26th
- III. Ministry Areas
 - A. Worship
 - 1. Guest preacher in July – Pr. Dawn Wilder
 - B. Stewardship
 - 1. Abundant Grace, Abundant Giving – “We give because we have first received.”
 - 2. Letters, devotional, temple talks, and sermons
 - C. Evangelism/New Members
 - 1. Wonderful Summer Picnic Jam
 - a) Many thanks to Aaron and his team
 - b) Folks are already looking forward to next year
 - c) Heart warming email received from a guest
 - 2. Rita Schwieters is moving new member ministry forward
 - 3. Steady stream of visitors
 - a) New households
 - 4. Welcome Team
 - a) New Member Sunday this summer and fall
 - b) Goal for 2026 is 40 new members
 - D. Faith Formation
 - 1. VBS went well
 - 2. Summer mission trip
 - E. Discipleship
 - 1. Possible Men's group with Christ The King LC
 - 2. Tuesdays together – on break
 - 3. Meadowood Shores studies continues
 - 4. This Is Most Certainly Brew – Bible Simplified, last installment
 - 5. Breaking Clays – finished for the spring
 - 6. Wednesday group with Rita is on break
 - 7. New groups for the fall
 - a) Couples
 - b) Social

Old Business n/a

- New Business** Ministry Brands – switch to new software – Amplify (fka Shelby)
- Would bring our membership, finances, app, and website under one umbrella, streamline a lot of processes, eliminate some of the problems with our app.
 - System is web-based so employees can access it from home. Current system requires physically being in the office in order to work.
 - Company will provide training.
 - Pushpay currently does our app, but it doesn't communicate with Shepherd's Staff. The new software would update info automatically.
 - Everyone would need to download a new St Philip's app since we wouldn't be working with Pushpay anymore.
 - New app would allow users to change credit card info, giving amount, etc themselves rather than Connie having to make changes for them.
 - Costs
 - Up-front one-time \$1800 branding
 - \$450 for financials – will come from deferred account

- \$540/month
- Net cost would be an increase of about \$5000
- Option: We can sign and turn on things as we're ready
- Goal is 4th quarter implementation

Motion to approve change to Ministry Brands - approved

Congregational email policy – **motion approved to table discussion until August**

How have we furthered the ministry of St. Philip's?

- We approved implementing a new software (Ministry Brands – Amplify) that will replace our current system. It will allow for greater efficiency for staff and integrate several current systems including membership, finances, website, and app. Implementation time frame hasn't been determined yet.
- We intentionally kept the meeting short so that we, joined by Spence Minear and Kaitlyn Davies, could spend a little over an hour setting up tables, racks, etc for the garage sale.

Closing

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Adjourn

7:08pm

Future Dates

Month	Exec Committee	BOA Meeting	Devotions
July 2026	Mon 7/20 6:30pm	Mon 7/27 6:30pm	Danielle
August 2026	Mon 8/17 6:30pm	Mon 8/24 6:30pm	Greg
September 2026	Mon 9/21 6:30pm	Mon 9/28 6:30pm	Kari
October 2026	Mon 10/19 6:30pm	Mon 10/26 6:30pm	Aaron
November 2026	Mon 11/16 6:30pm	Mon 11/23 6:30pm	Brian
December 2026	Mon 12/21 6:30pm	Mon 12/28 6:30pm	Connie
January 2027	Mon 1/18 6:30pm	Mon 1/25 6:30pm	Dan

Submitted by Kari Davies