

First Lutheran Church
Blair, Nebraska
Special Congregational Meeting

Saturday, July 13, 2024 5:00 pm Church Service

A special congregational meeting was called to order by Council President Gail Persson following the Saturday 5 pm church service.

The purpose of the special meeting was to vote on the following resolution:

Upon recommendation of the Call Committee and the Church Council, the congregation of First Lutheran Church calls Pastor Glen W Thomas to be Senior Pastor for a term of 18 months, commencing August 1, 2024. At the 2026 annual meeting the congregation may extend an open-ended call to Pastor Thomas.

The proposed compensation package that had been approved by Council, was also shared with the congregation.

Gail Persson, briefly explained that the reason for the Term Call of 18 months, was because of the fact that per our Constitution we could not hire Pastor Glen for an open-ended call at this time because he had previously been serving us as our interim Pastor.

She asked if there were any questions, and there were none.

Ballots were distributed and collected by Council Members.

A motion was made to recess the Special Congregational Meeting until July 14 @ 8:15 am church service by Tom Lippincott and 2nd by John Mark Nielsen. Motion carried.

Submitted by Scott Garder

Sunday, July 14, 2024 - 8:15 am Service

President Gail Persson called the meeting back to order, explaining again to the congregation the purpose of the meeting and ballots were distributed.

There were no questions asked by the congregation before the vote.

Ballots were collected . A motion to recess the meeting until the 10:15 am church service was raised by Mike Jones, and 2nd by Loren Havekost. Motion carried.

Submitted by Angela Hemminger

Sunday, July 14, 2024 - 10:15 am Service

President Gail Persson called the meeting back to order, once again explaining to the congregation the purpose of the meeting.

There were no questions and ballots were distributed for voting. After the ballots were collected, President Persson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jane Heinrich moved to adjourn the meeting, the motion was 2nd by Geri Foran. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Jensen

Ballot Count

137 -- Yes

0 -- No

The recommendation to call Pastor Glen W Thomas as Senior Pastor of First Lutheran Church, Blair passed unanimously!

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Katt