

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
CONGREGATION OF  
CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GOLDEN VALLEY**

**OCTOBER 10, 2021**

A meeting of the congregation (the “Congregation”) of Calvary Lutheran Church of Golden Valley (“Calvary”) was held on October 10, 2021, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Central Time. The meeting was held in the Gathering Space on the first floor of the Calvary building at 7520 Golden Valley Road, 55427.

More than 50 voting members of the Congregation, representing a quorum for purposes of transacting business of the Congregation and Calvary, were present to vote.

Phil Reesnes, Council President, served as chair of the meeting and Laura Jensen, Council Secretary, served as secretary.

Phil called the meeting to order at 8:32 am.

Pastor Zach Thompson led the congregation in prayer.

Phil explained that this is a special meeting of the congregation. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on one motion, and the meeting is restricted to only this purpose. The motion must receive a super majority (>67%) to pass. Voting is by paper ballot at both campuses (the Golden Valley Campus and the Minnetonka Campus). The motion that Calvary is voting on today is as follows:

The Church Council and Call Committee move to extend a pastoral call to Dan Thorson to serve as Discipleship Pastor at Calvary Lutheran Church of Golden Valley.

Pastor Zach summarized the selection process that Calvary has gone through. After Pastor Jason announced his intention to leave Calvary for another opportunity, Zach reached out to his network for candidate suggestions. Dan Thorson’s name kept coming up with recommendations. The council served as call committee, and after deliberation, interviews, and prayer, recommended that the congregation extend a pastoral call to Dan Thorson.

Andy Roe and Julie Russo both spoke about their experiences interviewing with Dan Thorson and why they recommend Dan to the congregation.

Gina VanderWerf read the motion from the podium. It was seconded from the crowd.

The congregation voted by marking their ballots and placing into the ballot box. Voting occurred physically in both campuses.

Voting closed at 11:45am, and ballots were counted.

The results: 204 yes, 5 no

The motion passed.

Phil summarized the voting, and then led the closing prayer.

The meeting adjourned 11:53 pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Laura Jensen, Council Secretary.