

Emmaus Board Minutes

November 11, 2025

In attendance: Denise Epps, Andria Lyster, Karen Mater, Cindi Scheiern, Michelle Lautner, Logan Romatz, Wendy Wixom, Janet Ball, Pastor Lyle Ball, Amy Getner, Pastor Nancy Fancher.

Call to order at 7:03 pm with devotions and prayer.

1. Consent Agenda: Motion to accept the consent agenda made by Cindi and seconded by Michelle. Motion carried.
2. Treasurer Report: We had service charges for September on our account because we had a commercial account, not a non-profit. Cindi got that changed so we won't get any more. We should be getting a bill from Ministry Manager. There was also a fee for the showers, and Liability insurance on the Chrysalis trailer, which is \$428.00. Wendy made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Amy. Motion carried.
3. Board Minutes: September 8 minutes: Pastor Lyle motioned to accept, seconded by Cindi. Motion carried. October 14 Minutes: Motion to accept made by Wendy, seconded by Andria. Motion Carried.
4. Gatherings: To call a Gathering, there are rules that have to be approved by the board to be sanctioned. The Board has sanctioned gatherings at Pilgrim, Clare, Greenville and now Ionia. For Clare, we need a new sanctioned location because there has been low attendance at the gatherings. Cullen Peterson would like to host gatherings at the Seville Church of God. The church is located west of Alma on 46; it has an Elwell address. Cullen just took his walk last spring. Steve Block is on board to host the Northern Gathering. It would be a good idea to start training people at gatherings. Denise will go to train Steve. The Northern gatherings will still be the 2nd Friday of every month at 6:00 pm. We will still have the gatherings at Tower in Lansing. Karen made a motion to move the Northern Gathering to the Seville Community Church of God. Seconded by Michelle, motion carried.
 - a. Michelle: Rosemary and Michelle would love to have a gathering at Pilgrim in the summer for all LAE. Denise things we need a Gathering Chair to develop a team to coordinate gatherings, to get the location set up and taken down. If not Pilgrim, is there another location in the St. John's area? Denise has the Gathering Manual. Sanctioned gatherings are them in the red book. Rosemary and Bruce Davenport are doing a great job with manuals. Amy can help, but only a small portion of the Red Book is on Gatherings. We need to make three copies.

5. December 13, 2025, gathering at Ionia. There will be a special speaker, retired Pastor Larry Brown. He came to Denise (he was the pastor at the “sick” walk at New Life).
6. Amy has the Master Schedule fixed to meet Emmaus alignment.
7. January 16, 2026, and January 17, 2026, is the board retreat, hopefully at Pilgrim. The 16th is a social gathering and the actual work will be on the 17th.
8. Next Meeting is on December 9, 2025. It will be an In-Person meeting. We will get Board reports.
9. Adjourn at 7:50 pm with prayer by Pastor Nancy.