

**Hamline Church United Methodist  
Church Council Meeting Agenda  
August 22, 2023 - 7:00pm**

**7:00 Welcome & Check-In** (10 min)

**7:10 Convene as Charge Conference**

**Rev. Mariah Tollgaard, Presiding Elder**

**Approval of Candidacy of Sharon Fields for Ordained Ministry** (paper ballot required)

Statement of Faith (att 2)

Recommendation from SPRC & Congregation (att 2a)

Background information on Ordained Ministry Candidacy Process

-SPRC process (att 2b)

[-Candidacy process and requirements](#)

<https://www.minnesotauc.org/files/websites/www/Candidacy+Requirements.pdf>

**7:35 Regular Council Meeting Continues**

**Consent Agenda** (5 min)

Minutes (att 3)

Growth Grant – Spiritual Direction - submitted by Heather Grantham (att 4)

Growth Grant – VBS Swale Project – submitted by Stephanie Engebrecht/Katie Morris (att 5)

Parental Leave Request - (att 6)

**7:15 Discussion Agenda**

Fall Preview – Pastor Mariah (att 7)

Spiritual Formation – Pastor Heather (att 8)

Trustees Report & Update – Stephanie Engebrecht (att 9)

Appreciation of Outgoing Council Members: Jay Alexander, Jeff Dreisbach, Rachel Joyeux

Upcoming Council Meetings & Monthly Date

***Follow Up Tasks***

SPRC - begin planning for 2024 salaries for budget

Finance - begin planning for annual giving campaign and 2024 budget

Trustees - next steps with accessibility task force

***Next Meeting – Tuesday, September 26, 7pm***

**Important Dates:**

Thursday, August 24 – Monday, September 4 – Dining Hall at the MN State Fair

Sunday, September 17 - Rally Sunday

**Supplemental materials**

Financial reports