

Leadership Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2017-6:30 p.m.

Those in attendance included Pastor Paul Dinges, Crystal Matthiesen, Lois Frazee, Kevin Jones, Jeff Randall, Pat Lucas, Kathy Koch, Shelly Lewis and Pat Wright.

Meeting was called to order by Chair Crystal Matthiesen at 6:35 p.m. Opening prayer by Pastor Paul Dinges.

Crystal read a devotion from Jesus Calling by Sarah Young "Trust Me Enough" (Phil. 4:19).

Handouts: Agenda, Leadership Team Status Notes with Treasurers report, 2018 General & Trustee Proposed Budgets

Lois explained the 2017 Actual vs. Budget to date report and fielded questions and comments. Good news is the church finances are in the black. Thought 3rd quarter giving would be up but it wasn't. It was about the same as last year. Could be the HVAC giving took away from the general giving. Submitted the general budget that Finance Chair, Steven Chase, sent. Also submitted the trustee's budget that Jeff Koch sent. Explanation and discussion followed. Jeff Randall made a motion to accept the general and the trustee budgets. Kevin Jones seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Paul's Report:

- Stewardship program "Enough" is running now until Nov. 12th.
- Wonderful Wednesday is going well with the 2 classes and with James and the youth.
- Confirmation class is still up in the air as need at least 4 students and only have 2 commitments. (If not will postpone for 1 year.) Confirmation is a 6 month commitment.
- On November 5th services will recognize All Saints Day with a bell toll honoring members that have passed during the past year.
- Pastor Paull is gone ministering at a Chrysalis Flight for the Nov. 19th weekend. Cheri found a replacement. We will have our DS Sylvester Weatherall filling the pulpit that Sunday.
- Nominations committee has met and are working on a slate for church leadership.
- Nov. 12th will be the Stewardship Consecration and Celebration Sunday with a potluck lunch.
- Thursday November 16th is Charge Conference with the new District Superintendent, Sylvester Weatherall. Sugar Creek UMC will combine with Chatham UMC with Chatham UMC hosting with a potluck and worship.
- Trustees have a walk-through of the parsonage scheduled.

After discussion it was decided to have a November Leadership meeting but to cancel the December Leadership meeting.

God's Blessings:

1. Kevin Jones mother is doing well in nursing home.
2. Kevin Jones brother fell and broke his neck.
3. Don Wright is recovering well from shoulder replacement surgery.
4. Chantel Corrie started as the new executive director at MMDC.
5. James Furlong moved into apartment and was showered with gifts from the congregation. He also found another part-time job at CarMax and had his 27th birthday.
6. Chris Bale finished the prayer garden and it looks wonderful.
7. Great attendance at Wonderful Wednesdays with the volunteers attending from MMDC.
8. Gene Meurer celebrated his 80th birthday.

Crystal closed with prayer at approximately 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Wright,
Recording Secretary