

**CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING    March 28, 2016**

PRESENT: Pastor Rick, Kit D., Lisa B., Danelle M., Sue D., Jonathan W., Grace R.,

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 PM

OPENING PRAYER: Pastor Rick

MINUTES: Danelle M. made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting; the motion was seconded by Jonathan W. The minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Danelle M. presented her report. Income is running ahead of the same time last year. Actual Received through 3/20/2016: \$36,154.50; General Fund plus INS/OUTS: \$37,811.50

TREASURER: Sue D. presented her report. In the black. \$543 in checking account. All bills are paid. \$79,000 in reserve fund.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Jonathan W. reported.

- Still discussing sanctuary ceiling and accessibility; slow progress for both. Multiple bids obtained for ceiling repair (3 for strip and paint, 2 for sand and paint{need 1 more bid})

BOARD OF DEACONS: Grace R. reported

- Mary Ann Z resigned. List opening in the bulletin
- Tom R. will be chairperson.
- The counting of weekly offering was discussed.

BOARD OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC: Pastor Rick reported

- One of the coffee pots is broken (it cannot be fixed).

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

- Five people initially expressed interest in the Assistant to Christian Ed. Director position. Two people were interviewed (Matt D. and Linda W.); the other three did not respond. Both strong candidates. The Board recommends hiring Linda W.
- MOTION: to hire Linda W. as Children's Education Assistant for \$9.50/hour for up to 10 hours/week. Moved; Lisa B. Seconded: Grace R. Motion passed.
- Pancake Breakfast went well.
- The yards of church children that live in the village we egged (12 plastic eggs with content were placed in the yards). Hope to implement more programs.
- Yesterday, there were 22 children. There were 13 kids (4 years or less) in the nursery on Easter.
- Had 6 kids in the first communion class; each child will get a Bible this coming Sunday.
- Mission trip on 7-24 to 29 to Indianapolis or Wayne County, NY.
- 30 hour famine will be on 4/29-30.
- Three dry erase boards were installed in the downstairs classrooms.
- There were 135 people in church on Easter.

- Working on kids as acolytes (not too young); used to be confirmation class. Dates will be provided in advance.

#### PASTOR'S REPORT

- Visits: 15 shut-ins in 11 homes, three office visits, and 2 phone calls.
- Community meetings: Madison Ministerial Association, UCC Pastors of Grand River, Spiritual Formation, Lenten Lunch at Park UMC, Good Friday breakfast at Chapel, Good Friday Community Service (52 adults, 3 kids), Cleveland Food Bank – training for summer feeding of kids, and World Day of Prayer in Austinburg.
- Church Meetings/Studies: Deacons/Missions; Christian Ed. (interviews for Assistant to Christian Ed. Director), Worship /Music, Trustees, Council, Maundy Thursday Service (50 people), Women's Study (Lent), Men's Study (Genesis), Pancake Breakfast with the youth, taught two classes on communion, Adult Sunday School (Prayers of the First Testament), and Wellspring Service.
- Ordination Update: Continue to meet with Bill T. Almost finished with Marks of Ministry. Once completed, schedule and meet with Rev. Rich P. and Rev. David H. to discuss next step.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting closed at 7:39 PM

Respectfully submitted: Lisa B., Clerk.