

**All Church Council Minutes**  
**November 18, 2018**

**Present:**

Chairman Sue Lessoff, Pastor Cheol, Karen Stearns, Sylvia Yoder, Don Ross, Sandy Gallup, Mel Bacha, Linda Shivers, Judie Culy, Stan Culy, Janice Klingman (recording secretary)

The meeting began at 11:25am with Pastor Cheol leading the group in prayer.

**MUSIC MINISTRIES - Karen Stearns**

- Offering received from Leap of Faith concert was \$2,400. Distribution of proceeds at RUMC TBD.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent GSM will introduce new praise hymn
- Dec. 23 @ 4pm - Family Christmas program featuring the GSM Praise Band and Bell Choir, a carol sing, and Alyson Stearns reading *The Night Before Christmas* followed by a visit from Santa. Following the program there will be a special fellowship hour. This activity is open to the community.

**PASTORS REPORT - see attached**

- In a discussion about apportionments, Judie Culy clarified that apportionments given MUST be used as they have been designated by the giver.
- Pastor thanked groups for their efforts, activities and support.
- Times for the Advent Study are flexible.
- Candlelight Service will be at 6pm on Christmas Eve. (With Lots of singing!)

**FINANCE - Judie Culy reported for Jim Mlodzinski**

- All bills are paid.
- We are looking at the escrow accounts.
- 2016-2017 Audits have been done.
- Linda Shivers inquired about reimbursement checks, mentioning that she left a request in the treasurer's box mail slot 3 weeks ago.
- Judie thanked Mel for his stewardship moment this morning during worship.
- November 25<sup>th</sup> is Dedication Sunday for pledge cards. The procedure will be to come forward with pledge cards during a

special time during the service. (Cards already received will be handed back to individuals to bring up for the dedication).

- Gift Card program will be discontinued. There is no one who has volunteered to be in charge of it. Remaining Gift Cards will be available for sale.
- *Go Funding* program was discussed and will be discussed further at next Church Council meeting. Several present at our meeting are not in favor of it, while others are. Sue will talk to Diane about discontinuing it.
- There will be a finance committee meeting 11/28.

**LAY LEADER:** No Report

**MEN'S CLUB:** Don Ross reported

- Breakfast at Mitchell's last Sunday had 15 attendees.
- Christmas dinner will be on 12/16 after the Pageant. It will be pot luck with the men providing roast pork.
- Pledge for 2019 is \$1,000. This figure was based on their decision to not do the Strawberry, Peach and Corn Beef suppers due to lack of manpower. Since that decision was made, Wayne Badstuebner and Mel Bacha volunteered to do the Strawberry Festival, and Dave Joy and Tom Farrish volunteered to do the Peach Festival. Don told the council that their 2019 pledge will be based on the net profits of the suppers.
- The Valentines Breakfast will be held February 10, 2019.
- Palm Sunday Breakfast 2019 - the men will ask Bolton UMC to host. If they cannot, RUMC will host.
- The Corn Beef Supper in March may or may not be held. If there are volunteers (possibly the Yoders) it will be on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Christian Education, Linda Shivers**

- There will be no Sunday School on November 25th. Sara Stenger will be available in the nursery.
- Youth are collecting for the "Backpack Program" through the Vernon Community Network.
- There will be a sleepover at church on December 7<sup>th</sup>. They plan to assemble 38 backpacks for the Backpack Program.
- Christmas Pageant will be December 16<sup>th</sup> during Worship, followed by the Men's Club supper. Bridget Joy is in charge of the pageant.

- On December 23<sup>rd</sup>, during Worship, there will be a craft workshop for kids.

**Lay Member of Annual Conference - Sandy Gallup**

- November 28, from 2-5pm is Bishop's Day in District at Trinity UMC in Springfield.
- New Co-Lay Leader is Deborah Grinn.

**Missions: Sylvia Yoder**

- Sylvia suggested that we consider not doing Rise Against Hunger next year. It is a very costly program to run (\$4,000) and though it is a popular event it isn't fiscally feasible for the coming year.
- Bake sales can be a good way to support the budget.

**Publicity: Janice Klingman**

- We are getting ready to publicize our Family Christmas event on December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm. It will be open to the public once again.

**Refugee Family: Stan Culy**

- Stan filled us in on how the Marri's continue to acclimate in school and at home, and provided some new photos of the family.

**Small Groups: Pastor reporting**

- Phyllis King came home this past week.

**SPRC: Sandy Gallup - No report**

**TRUSTEES - Don Ross - Report Attached**

**UMW: Julie Culy**

- Harvest supper profits were \$1,641.87.
- Profit from Holiday Bazaar, \$4,300 as of today.
- There will be a Breakfast/Brunch/Planning meeting following worship at Mitchells December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Discussion: "Where are we going?"

**Vernon community Network: Carol Robbins (no report)**

**Visitation and Nurture: Pastor Cheol**

- Pastor has had a cold, so didn't do as much visitation, but will do so after Thanksgiving.

**Worship: Carol Robbins**

- Report included.

**Old Business: None**

The meeting adjourned at 1:00. There will be no December meeting. Our next meeting will be in January.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Klingman  
Recording Secretary