

Zion UCC Consistory Meeting Minutes, December 8, 2016

Meeting called to order

Doug King

Attendance: Pastor Duffy, Doug King, Tim Schlegel, Char Burchfield, Joan Mohalski, Gayle Melhtretter, Marilyn Young,, Rob Voss, Bill Roberts, Ron Janiszewski, Audrey Gardner,

Devotion and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Duffy

Guest Presentation: Tony Fuller Thank you

Concerns we are addressing: There are still doors being left open, We need to check the cost for possible new auto locks and continue to remind last person out to lock and check that the door is locked. Gaye has volunteered to be on the list to call in event someone needs to enter the church.

Request that the office needs some organizing and cleaning. Floors in rooms, Kuck Hall and the hallway need to be cleaned and estimates are being sought.

Overhang lights outside and courtesy lighting need to be checked and bulbs replaced as necessary

Approval of November Minutes

Treasurer's Report - Income is lower but expenses are also down. We are looking forward to a prosperous New Year.

minutes approved

Ron Janiszewski

Pastor's Report

Pastor Duffy

- Once again, we have had a very generous church this Advent season. From Church "angels" secretly sending financial gifts to families in need, to church members purchasing presents for Heritage School kids and Plymouth Crossroads. I'm able to witness the true generosity of our church members, it believe me, it's heartwarming.
- Youth Group fundraising is doing great! The Basket Raffle made \$936, the pies made \$350, and we have the upcoming Breakfast with Santa on Saturday the 17th.
- Our average of 2 baptisms a month lasted for 6 months but has now come to an end. I do believe that we have two baptisms upcoming from families that have recently started attending.
- 9am has seen many new folks on a regular basis, please be sure to look for newcomers and welcome them. Here are the hospitality "rules" as a reminder:
 - **5 minute rule:** 5 minutes before worship and 5 minutes after worship, introduce yourself to someone you don't know (or talk to someone you don't know very well)
 - **Link new people to members:** When you meet someone new, immediately link them to someone based on a common affinity.
 - **10 feet rule:** when someone new (or someone who is alone) comes within 10 feet, engage them into your group conversation.
- Welcome mugs! They will be in the narthex for all new guests. And they'll be available for purchase from members for \$5 each. All money raised from the mugs will go to purchase new mugs .

Trustees Report (*attached*) *Very comprehensive . Thank you Trustees for all your time and meetings. Each point was discussed and tabled for further discussion due to its complexity.*

Discuss Consistory Vacancies and Nominations

Members need to start considering new members for nominations to the consistory

Committee Reports

- Administration
- Finance
- Christian Education Dec 18th program and Christmas sing along on Christmas

- Missions Sunday school is collecting for Children's Hospital
- Church Life - There will be a sign up to bring treats.
- Community Dinners City Mission donated turkeys, stuffing, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pies

75 Guests 20 Volunteers at the cost of \$129.87 Thank you Diane for all your

organization for the dinners all year. Thanks to all the volunteers for their time and fellowship as well.

- Memorials No activity and the balance \$4091.11
- Outreach Veterans Voices- Considering to have the concert at Zion next year.

- Pastoral Parish Relations - no report
- Health Ministry_ working on Plymouth Crossroads stocking stuffers
- House and Grounds No report
- Daycare Committee no report

Old Business

1. Status of the Roof over the Narthex? - Thanks to Rob sealing the roof and plastering and painting damage.
2. Discuss sanctuary pew cushions. Tabled
3. Security Camera purchased will go up soon
4. Overflow tv up, will be working soon
5. Dedication of Nunes Overflow? Tabled

New Business

1. Christmas Eve: 5pm and 11pm
2. Christmas Sunday: 10:30am only, Lessons and Carols New Year's Day service is 10:30
3. Sign Christmas Cards for choir and bell choir
4. Thank you to Bob Sedota for fixing and replacing the kindergarten room door after the lock broke.
5. Think of ways to recognize volunteers.

Closing prayer: In the Church, for the people, with one another. Amen.

Next Meeting: January 12, 7pm.