

- **Zion Meeting Minutes 12-14-17**

Minutes taken by Glen Gordon

Call to Order: Tim Schlegel called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Pastor Elizabeth, Tim Schlegel, Bill Roberts, Jeff Quinton, Char Burchfield, Barb Miller, Joan Mohalski, Rob Voss, Edie Bauer, Glen Gordon.

Pastor Elizabeth lead us in the devotion and Lord's prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were accepted.

- **Financial Report:** Tim said that the Trustees are to going to join us in January to discuss the budget. The question of where to go with the daycare plan. Joan mentioned a dayhab facility for steady income. Rob said that a senior center at 524 Main St. would be remodeled by the dayhab provider. Pastor Elizabeth mentioned Peter Korte directing a dayhab facility. Tim suggested a meat raffle to raise money. Bill mentioned that "Operation Good Neighbor" raised \$18,000.00. Rob said snow plowing and cemetery funding come from a different budget. The Trustees should pay for this from their account. Bill suggested looking at capital gains for income. Barb moved to accept the report. Glen seconded. Motion was passed.
- **Community Building:** Rob reported that The United Church of Christ in St. Petersburg, Florida had hurricane damage. Insurance coverage was mentioned.
- **Trustees' Report:** Report was reviewed. Pastor Elizabeth said that we need to table the discussion about the food pantry. Char made a motion, Glen seconded. The motion was passed.
- **Pastor's Report:**
 1. Commercial Update: We had about 70 people for the filming. There are 4 commercials out. Here is an example of the daily commercials:
12/12/17 Spot times: 3:41pm 3:42pm 4:15pm 4:16pm 5:15pm 5:16pm 9:14pm 9:15pm 9:41pm 9:42pm
 2. Pastoral Care Team training postponed until early spring.
 3. New Church App research on hold.
 4. Thank you to everyone who helped sign postcards. They looked great!
 5. Christmas Eve: 10:30, Hymn Sing, Baptism, and Communion. 5pm & 11pm for Christmas Eve Services
 6. One 10:30 service Dec 17, 24, 31. Two services resume in January.
 7. Thank you note sent to the couple who installed the blessing box.

Committee Reports:

- **Administration:** No report.
- **Christian Education:** There will be one service at 10:30 A.M. on 12/17/17.

Heritage program was successful. All of the tags were taken. Plymouth Crossroads tags for gifts were taken. Men's Fellowship made a donation. Coats for Veterans was a success.

- **Missions:** \$252.90 was spent on the dinner. 90 guests attended. No community dinner in December. They will resume in January.
- **Memorials:** \$592.98 was paid.
Pastor Elizabeth will respond to Lisa Knerr's request for a tree and painting. The painting could be in the choir room. This was approved by Consistory.
- **Outreach:** Bill said that Sue did a great job on the coat donation. Money was donated with three people giving \$100.00. Ten coats were given to the V.A.
Tim asked what we could do to get members from the former Brighton Community Church. Bill has spoken with former members who are active at Zion UCC.
- **Veterans' Voices:** Bill got an Angola woman full veterans benefits. She was collecting \$300.00/mo. The V.A. fought her over full benefits. Bill's advocacy got the V.A. to change the benefit payment to \$1700.00/mo. He will follow up with her. Tracey Healy also helps with cases.
- **Pastoral Parish Relations:** No report.
- **Health Ministry:** Plymouth Crossroads is well. Dash cash register receipts to be explained in the Zionite. Blood pressure screenings to be done on the 1st of the month.

Old Business:

- Prison potluck dinner meeting to be held on January 4. A signup sheet is in the back of the Sanctuary. Char is to ask for casseroles, potato salad and chili.
- "What am I", "What is New". Barb will be liaison between committee and Consistory.

New Business:

- Tim suggested having a map by the sign-in book. Visitors could put a push pin into the map to show where they are from.
- Church Safety Ideas: Locks on classroom doors with pass codes for each door. We need a quote from Bob Sedota for a passive entrance lock at the entrance. A pass code would be needed to get in. The door needs to be pulled shut in winter. Pastor Elizabeth discussed security with other clergy members at a north town clergy group. She will speak to a lieutenant at the Town of Tonawanda Police Department.
- Brianna Grine is to become a full voting member of the Trustees. Rob Voss and Ed Miller thinks she is responsible enough to have a vote. Barb made a motion for Brianna to be a voting member. Jeff seconded. The motion was approved.

- Pledge Drive Results: Pastor Elisabeth said 39 people responded. A graph was reviewed (below).
- Char said that she would like a nativity scene outside during the next Advent & Christmas season.
- Jeff discussed a fundraiser and tee shirts.
- Tim thanked everyone for a good year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

of pledges vs. Weekly Pledge Range

