

Tower Times

St. John's United Church of Christ

515 East Third Street

Dayton, OH 45402

May 2019



Someone recently asked me, “What does it mean that your title now says, ‘Lead Minister’?” That’s a good question. In fact, it’s one that I and council are seemingly in the process of figuring out on a regular basis! As you might have questions about this, I thought I’d take a swipe at explaining a few things.

When I started at St. John’s in 2015, our staffing looked quite a bit different than it does now. We had a minister of music who lived out of the area and was usually only present on Sunday. We had an administrative assistant who took care of bulletins and such but wasn’t horribly busy with any great number of things. We had Steve, who, as always, is a rock-star and busier than a one-armed paper hanger in a windstorm. Finally, we had, me and I was to handle the spiritual life and development of the church. Fast forward to 2019 and our world looks more than a little different! Rev. Jeffrey is local and is in the office far more than his contractual 15 hours per week; planning worship, putting together choir materials, creating our bulletins, and working to line-up those high-quality special music acts we all love. Jeff also tries to visit our shut-ins with communion when he’s able as it’s something he really loves. Rev. Hector has become a big help in connecting St. John’s into what we might call hearth and home. Hector has a deep love of listening and getting to know about wider families and such and a great number of you have been able to share time with him and tell him all about yourselves and your loved ones. Hector also meets regularly for spiritual care with a number of our newer folk and some folks who very much need a life-line to St. John’s as they make their way in the world. Using all the information he gathers, Hector has been starting to build a few ministry ideas that he likes and is planning to launch a prayer-group in the near future. With all that Rev’s Jeff and Hector are doing, you might be asking, “Well, what are you doing, Adam?” Again, good question!

To say that my portfolio has transitioned greatly since I started in 2015 would not be an understatement! At the same time, that doesn’t mean things are at all bad or even totally different. I still visit folks in hospital, I work with Jeff to coordinate worship and my sermons, I spend time in study and prayer, I’m planning a study-series for the late-summer and early-autumn, and I try to check in on a number of our shut-ins when I can. (Or at least, see if others might be able to reach out to them if I can’t.) At the same time, a lot of my world has shifted from traditional solo-pastoring to what might be similar to a “Chief Operating Officer” in the corporate world. I spend a lot of time analyzing where we are, where we’ve been, where we want to go, and then working to cast a vision of how we might get there with council, Jeff, and Hector.



Sometimes that realistically involves pushing, prodding, and poking ministries or services into life and other times it entails creating what we might call “capacity and scale” so that things might eventually come to fruition. (Usually, this latter part is also where I tend to spend a few hours at the computer or get covered with dirt, grime, and/or have sore knees and a back!) Other times, still, I spend time speaking with community members and asking, “what can we do for you, what would you like to see from us?” Often, this will turn into a drive or mission project of some sorts and works to further integrate us into the local Webster-station and downtown Dayton life-blood.

To be honest, for a while, this transition was pretty frustrating for me. Rev. Jeffrey will tell you that, when frustrated, one of my favorite phrases -at least for a time- was “All I want to do is lead a Bible study or do some ministry!!! I don’t want to have another business meeting or the sort!” In fact, for a while, I got really grumpy about all of this and even complained to one of my old and wise mentors. I was thus shocked when this person chuckled at my frustration and said: “Welcome to modern ministry! The old way of doing things – one person leads a study, visits a house, preaches a sermon- is largely gone. Instead, we’re now finding that, for churches to be successful, they need at least one of their pastors to function on-par with other executive figures in the non-profit world. For churches to survive today, they need to be able to compete for resources -time/talent/treasure- amongst a huge and diverse group of other interests. For the church to live into tomorrow and for it to grow and thrive, it needs folks who aren’t entirely encompassed on leading a Bible study or go and sit with someone. That doesn’t mean those things shouldn’t happen or even that the lead pastor shouldn’t be doing them at times, but that they have to be delegated out so that someone can focus on strategy, promotion, and all those other things we never previously thought about. Because all of those things are now part of ministry in the church.”

Oh. That took me by surprise.

Not only was I called to lead all of YOU into something new and different, apparently, I was called to walk MYSELF into something very new and different as well! (I hate it when those things spin back on me! Haha!)

None of this should make you think I’m not here to be your pastor as and when you need me. If you need me, you call me. If I can’t get there, we’ll make arrangements with Rev’s Jeffrey or Hector; their ordinations are just as valid as mine. Moreover, if you ever want to talk or whatever have you, my cell phone is just a dial away! All the same, I wanted to take a moment and speak a little bit about how the changing world of St. John’s was impacting my own role as we all step-into new and different ways to be and do church together!

Lofty Words
from Rev. Jeffrey Campbell, Minister of Worship

Easter Continues!

Easter is here! After weeks of prayer and preparation, it is Easter! In the church, there are seven Sundays of Easter. We offer thanks and praise to God. We hear the story, the Good News, over and over again! We sing Easter hymns and Alleluias and Hallelujahs. We don't live in Lent. Lent prepares us for life in Easter!

Our first Easter Sunday was wonderful! Organ and piano music, solo and choir music, flowers galore, a well-dressed Pastor and associate, a powerful and challenging sermon. My challenge is to make the next six Easter Sundays, wonderful times of worship. I shall try my best, with the help of God and with YOUR help.

I am thankful for our choir and Chris van Breukelen. I am thankful for the worship committee and the Christian nurture committee. I am thankful for Steve Boggs and Rev. Hector.

My gratitude to Rev. Adam cannot fit on this page! I am so thankful for all the members of St. John's, who are family to me. Fun and Faithful you all are!

Coming Soon to a Church Near You

Coming up in the weeks ahead: Leeann Harker will grace us with her viola. We will honor Logan Van Bibber, for four years of service in the choir of St. John's. There's Ascension Day (May 30) and Mother's Day (May 12), and Memorial Day (May 27), all deserving our prayers and attention. Good Shepherd Sunday also falls on May 12. Pentecost is late this year, falling on June 9. Don't miss it. Christmas, Easter, Pentecost: the big three celebrations of the Church!

Each One, Bring One

Statistics show us that church grow mainly by someone who loves their church inviting someone else. We are shy about that, but we need to get over it. We offer encounter with God, the warmth of fellow Christians, a place to serve one another and the community, and a way of life that brings hope and peace. If every person who now comes to St. John's would bring just one other person to join our church family, that would be amazing! How do I do that? First and foremost, pray about it, Pray for courage and insight and opportunities. Then ask someone to come to church with you. Pick out an item of interest to tell them: the preaching, the music, the building, the fellowship hour, someone else in the congregation they might know.. Then, after they have been here, invite them back. Take them to brunch after church.

America's Got Talent!

Do you have a talent to share this summer at worship? Do you play an instrument, have a song to sing, have a poem to read? Do you know someone who would like to play or sing as part of our service? Let me know!



Halleluiah! Christ is risen indeed!

What an awesome experience I had during the Easter Sunday. And I hope you have the same experience too. But this awesomeness did not happen just like that. We went through a process, as Pastor Adam emphasized in his sermons that we need to go through a process. We can't just race to the Easter Resurrection without engaging in the Lenten process that leads there. I consider the Lent not as a time for sacrifice and denial, but as a time of preparation --- like a process that prepares us for the work to which God calls us to do. During one of the services of Lent on Thursdays, where we reflected anew on the Lord's Prayer my mind got stuck on the praise "Thy Will be done." Yes we want the will of God to be done here on earth, but this will not come to pass unless we participate in the process of transformation through the power of the resurrection that will make us a new creation.

As people of the resurrection, God will continue to show his power by working through us, even when we are weak and unworthy. And one of the means of showing God's power is through our prayers.

Thus, I am now pretty excited to launch our PRAYER GROUP on the 2nd of May at 7:00pm in the newly renovated chapel. Come and experience how God will work on each one of us to do new things through our united prayer. Don't you worry if you have less interest in praying. Just come and let's all together learn how to pray as a community of faith. After all, prayer is not just talking to God but it's also about listening to God. Come and be united in prayer.



Grace and peace,

Hector





The Budget & Finance Committee met on Monday, April 8, 2019. The meeting was called to order.

Present at the meeting were Patty Staley, Chair, Nicholas Schumacher, Secretary, Isaiah Ashba, Treasurer, Norm Neubauer, Ron Duckson, Debbie Watts and Reverend Wirrig.

Reverend Wirrig began the meeting with a Team Building exercise which gave a positive focus to the meeting with everyone stating reasons for wanting to be part of the committee.

Ron Duckson was asked to serve as Vice Chair of the Committee to which he agreed and was unanimously voted upon.

Minutes for the February and March meetings were reviewed and approved with minor corrections notated.

Isaiah Ashba started presenting the Treasurer's report and unfortunately, due to a glitch or something in the software system, inaccuracies in the report were noted. Isaiah will work on the issues to have the report ready for Council and will present the report for March along with the April report at the May Meeting.

In Old Business, Patty handed out copies of last year's Stewardship packet asking members of the Committee to pick a section they each would be able to address for compilation of this year's packet. She will ask that members of the committee and congregation speak on Stewardship in July when the packet is available to the congregation in an effort to utilize the information gathered in the budget process. In the matter of Financial Controls, we are still addressing how things are handled, stored, etc. Patty will recirculate information received from the Insurance Board on Financial Controls and keep the committee advised on the status. The goal is to maintain the accounting records in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures used in businesses/companies. A question was asked as to who specifically is doing the counting now that Norm and Betty Lou have retired from handling the processing of the Sunday giving. Patty noted that it is a group of people who will rotate so that no one person has access to all of the information on the congregational giving habits. These

people include but not limited to: Nick Schumacher, Doug Goudy, Patty Staley and others that are yet to be confirmed.

In New Business Form 1023 status – Patty and Isaiah have not been able to meet but plan to meet and have the form completed by the end of the month.

Credit Card Kiosk & Online Giving – The application has been filed with Vanco and they are pushing it through. It will include a free card reader and 3 months with no monthly service fee. For the first 3 months we are only paying \$5 for the text giving feature and the per transaction fees based on the card companies. After the 3 months the monthly fee is \$10 and includes unlimited support. Once the application is approved, Vanco will work with Nick and Isaiah to compile and activate the page for our Website and interfaces with the Church Windows Software as well as the information for the text to give, etc.

Parking was discussed. Reverend Wirrig explained that Square 1 has decided not to do a lease of parking spaces but is having its employees contract with ABM for monthly rates using our lots, ultimately, this appears to be better for us as those spaces are not necessarily reserved but available as Square 1 employees are not assigned to a specific spot, that spot can rotate in the general parking generating more income. The Parking Kiosks are in and appear to be getting use. Thank you to those that have been helping with the first few weeks of Dragons Games to make this a welcome change to our lots. The parking kiosks apply to all 3 lots. Congregation Members that are here anytime other than Sunday (Sunday is free parking until 1 pm to allow for Church Services) should have a Parking Sticker (see Reverend Wirrig) that goes on the outside back window of your car to park in the lot when it is outside of Sunday Service hours.

Grants & Fundraising, Chairlift/Replacement/Repair, ADA Compliance/Accessibility are all still priority projects, dependent on the Form 1023 but other options still need to be researched and considered as well.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: Monday, May 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Staley, Chair,
Budget & Finance Committee

Addendum:

As the Treasurer's Report was not accurate at the B&F Committee meeting, it was corrected and presented at Council. Following is a brief summary.

General offering for the Month of March was less than 2018 by \$412. Deficit for the month was \$6,724 for a year to date total of \$24,231 which while not a good thing, it is tracking similar to last year. We will be monitoring fiscal controls to try to slow this even more where possible. The only expenditure committees was Building and Properties for miscellaneous supplies. Funds were transferred from the Endowment to cover the next few months. The Checking Balance is \$23, 880.06. An donation was given toward the Chapel remodel in the amount of \$1,000. The Percy Jones Scholars Fund (Stivers Sponsorships) balance is currently \$110. Our primary expenses this month were salaries and utilities. This was a relatively light month. However, given the expenses that are anticipated with the needed repairs, we will be working diligently to find funds and keep costs under control.

Thank you.

Patty

Thank you to all for the beautiful flowers & mulching the beds. It looked so festive for Easter morning!

MINISTRY TEAMS:

We are in the process of re-structuring our Council/Committees into Ministry Teams.

Listed is a brief overview of the teams.

More details are available on pp. 36-38 of the Annual Report.

President / V-President / Secretary / Treasurer

TEAMS – General Guideline of Responsibilities:

-WORSHIP

Coordinate regular & special worship services

-BUILDING

Physical property

-GROUNDS

Exterior property

-FUNDRAISING

Annual stewardship campaign/coordination of capital improvement fund raising activities

-FINANCE (+ Treasurer)

Operating budget/compensation/supervise expenditures/endowment portfolio /

Maintain proper insurance coverage / acknowledge financial gifts to recipients/donors



PERSONNEL & PEOPLE

Handbook / performance reviews / contracts

-EXTERNAL MISSION

Mission projects / community projects / disaster relief / missions budget

-INTERNAL MISSION

Internal care & spiritual development

Parking Lot Hosts/Hostesses – ABM Partnership

THANK YOU to all who helped familiarize our guests with our new parking lot system!

Many loyal patrons were glad to see that St. John's still benefits from their Dragon's parking with us.

Please mark your calendars.

Wed., July 3 – 5-10:00 – Riverscape Fireworks (I believe)

Fri-Sun- July 26-28 - Dayton Celtic Festival

GermanFest Aug. 9-11 – Respectfully requesting help from St. John's, just as last year.

St. John's members – please wear our t-shirts to help with St. John's publicity.

Other dates:

Tues., April 23 – Think TV Auction – Channel 14 (not 16)

St. John's was on the first board of each round. St. John's received positive publicity.

Thank you to all who made it possible.

Sat., April 27 - WYSO Drive – St. John's was featured during the fund drive.

Again, thank you for making it possible.

Sat., May 11 – 1-5:00 – Downtown Housing Tour – opportunity to visit the neighborhood.

<http://www.downtowndayton.org/things-to-do/summer-in-the-city/housing-tour/>

Respectfully submitted, Chris van Breukelen, VP

Percy Jones Scholars for Sacred Choral Music

THANK YOU to those persons contributing to the support of our Stivers fund recently: Annita Torgeson, Ballard Yates, Marilyn Schwinn, Pat Kern. If you would like to support the program, envelopes are available on the credenza in the narthex.

WORSHIP REPORT

*Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Mortal tongues and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing glad heavens and earth reply, Alleluia!*



The first verse of our opening hymn Easter Sunday morning expresses the joy of the Easter miracle. Can we live in that joy in the coming days?

Pat Kern

Pat Kern
Worship Committee—Chair

GOOD GRIEF

We know grief takes many forms, can consume a good part of our existence and may appear or reappear at unexpected times. Our aim is to provide an opportunity within our St. John's community to gather around a table for a meal and share conversation, laughter and love. An invitation is extended to any who might want to join our group. We meet at 4:30 the third Saturday of the month at a local restaurant. Our May 18 gathering is at Wheat Penny, 515 Wayne Ave.

Pat Kern



STIVERS STUDENTS - A CELEBRATION MAY 19

May marks the end of the school year for our two Stivers young people. Our thanks to both Logan Van Bibber and Jaelynn Mack who have supported our choir with their musical talents for the past school year. How pleased we are to hear Jaelynn is planning on coming back to us during her senior year.

There will be a celebration for Logan on May 19th in the fellowship hour as he graduates from high school and moves on in his music education pursuit. The choir is asking our St. John's Family to please bring in your graduation diploma's, or certificates for display in the Fellowship Hall.

Logan has been with us for the past four years supporting 'the back row', doing solo parts and even serving as liturgist. After a busy winter of college interviews, he will enter Capital University, Columbus in the fall to pursue a music educator degree with the focus on voice. He has received the Presidential Scholarship of \$16,000 for academics and a Talent Scholarship of \$5,000. Both are for each of the 4 academic years. At auditions this spring, he was one of only two chosen to join the Chapel Choir, Capital's highest level choir. This group will perform at Carnegie Hall next year as well as at international competitions. Logan, your friends at St. John's thank you and wish you the best of everything as you start out on your college journey.

If you have any questions please see Pat Kern or Ethel Burns!



Building and Property Committee April Tower Times Report

Meeting was held Sunday, April 7, 2019

Members: Brian Dunkle, Ed Humphreys (Chair), Marlene Miller, Bill Smith (absent), Brian Thompson, Wilfred van Breukelen, Tim White (*In Memorial*). Support: Steve Boggs, Rev Dr. Adam Wurring

“Let us raise a standard to which the wise and honest can repair; the rest is in the hands of God.” George Washington

Chapel Renovation

The Chapel renovation is almost complete and being used. The remaining tasks appear to be baseboard replacement and renovation of the panels. Project should be completed soon. Thank you to all who assisted in this successful project.

Chair Lifts Repair

An on-going problem with limited options and no “good” solution. Annually the city inspects the maintenance and operation of the Chair Lifts. Our practice has been to have the inspection and then fix whatever it is that requires. Medmart no longer carries the model we have and does not want to repair this one.

The cost of replacement is \$7,500.00 not counting electrical and stairway modifications (times 2). In order to meet ADA regulations, we need three. Replace the two we have and add a second to the second floor of the Educational Wing.

By the strange works of faith, the current lift chairs past inspection. One of these days.....

We all acknowledge that replacing the system with an elevator is the best solution to numerous issues and better service to our members and community. However, we also understand that is a significant financial issue that is not in the foreseeable future. Plans are in process to seek existing grant support for that to happen. But that does not resolve the immediate issue.

The current Chair Lifts passed city inspection again this year.

Building Repair Project Begins

Exciting news is the Congregation Support of securing the funds to begin the process of critical repairs to the Church and Educational Wing.

Painting is scheduled to begin after April 22, depending on weather. The fence has been temporarily removed to allow for use of a crane. A small tree and some vegetation were removed from that flower bed to allow for entrance.

The bed will need repaired after all the work is completed on that side of the building. Weather will determine progress.

As soon as funds are secured, the other immediate matters will be under contract as well. Depending on Timing, B & P is recommending the approval of the four contracts for building repairs:

- Midwest Maintenance – exterior brick work
- Korrek Plumbing – separation and repair of heating system
- Sturgill Roofing – roof repair
- Ornamental Iron – removal and re-install of fence

Interior Damage Assessment

B & P committee is assessing the interior damage and working on development of plans to complete repairs. This will be completed by the end of April. Assuming we are assured that there will be no additional water damage, we will secure bids for work. Depending on weather that may not be complete until May. B & P will prepare recommendations to Council to consider for the repair of interior of Church and Educational Wing.

Annual Maintenance Walk-Through

B & P is developing a plan to complete an annual walk-through to determine repair needs and future renovations. The first such report will be presented to Council by the end of this calendar year.

Dishwasher Discussions

We continue discussions with Women of St. John's (WOSJ) concerning replacement of dishwasher. We will meet with WOSJ in its May meeting to review proposal and determine next steps.

Going Green and Environmental Justice

I will attend a webinar April 25 sponsored by the United Church of Christ Cornerstone Fund. (same organization we are working with for repair financing) The purpose is to learn more about how to "transform your church into a greener space. Plus, learn other ways to ignite environmental justice activities within your congregation." This is a continuation of discussions within the committee and with WOSJ's in understanding what this means to and for our church. More information will be coming.

Establish Clean-Up Day

B & P is exploring the possibility of establishing a "clean-up" date for the Church by congregation members. We would do the arrangements and provide directions and necessary means and tools. If this is a worthy idea the goal is to find a date and day of the week for the activity. Could be "Spring Cleaning" or a "House Cleaning" before Gathering Sunday.

We need to coordinate with WOSJ and the Worship Committee and all members. More information coming and we would appreciate your thoughts.

Outside Aesthetic Improvements

All (but the front east side) flower beds have been mulched and planted. This is work greatly appreciated by members and the entire community. Thousands drive by daily and make some visual judgement about our church and place in the community. These are important factors as we witness within an urban setting and to an active and competitive community.

Thank you to the work of Adam and Jim, Linda and Marlene for supporting and decorating the outside of our church. These are hours of labor and are greatly appreciated lasting for many months to come.

This coming year the Grounds part of the B & P committee will be a separate entity. That will include all the outside areas of the Church and surrounding properties. Please consider being one of those members.

Works of love are frequently supported and encouraged by the contributions of funds. Flowers, mulch and all the other items necessary do have a cost. If that is your interest and passion, please consider a special donation to the outside flower work and mark as such on an envelope.



Council Minutes
St. John's United Church of Christ
April 11, 2019

Present: Douglas Goudy, Chris van Breukelen, Ballard Yates, Isaiah Ashba, Patty Staley, Ed Humphrys (Representing Bill Smith), Karen Clark, and Pat Kern.

Guest(s): None

The meeting was called to order by President Douglas Goudy at 05:58 p.m.

Devotions: Patty Staley presented the opening devotions and prayer.

Secretary's Report: Ballard Yates had e-mailed and distributed the minutes of the regular council meeting of March 13, 2019. As there were no additions or corrections requested for the March minutes he asked they be approved. President Doug Goudy declared them approved.

Financial and Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for March, 2019 had been distributed in the normal fashion to council members prior to today's meeting. Isaiah Ashba made the following comments:

Total General Offerings for March, 2019 were \$9,016 which is less than March, 2018 by \$412, and less than March, 2018 by \$9,318. The year to date number, while accurate, is misleading for analysis purposes as there was an unusually large gift made during February, 2018.

The monthly deficit is actually approximately \$6,100 as one item was not recorded as a March transaction.

\$20,000 of Memorial Endowment Investments were sold.

Current General Checking account balance was \$23,880.06.

A restricted donation in the amount of \$1,000 was received toward the new chairs for the chapel.

A question was addressed to Isaiah as to whether the council should consider adding our former Treasurer, Jeff Gerrior as a type of Assistant Treasurer, for a period of time, in view of Isaiah's other responsibilities at this time. Isaiah responded that this was not necessary as everything was going reasonably well, and that he just needed some more time to become a little more acclimated to the system and procedures. He indicated that Jeff had been very open with him and was always willing to discuss any questions.

Ballard Yates made a motion to approve the treasurer's report which was seconded by Karen Clark and approved by vote of the council.

Old Business

Building of Committees

This item will be an ongoing monthly item. Chris van Breukelen spoke on the subject of creating the new team structure as approved by the acceptance of the new Constitution and By-Laws. Chris would like the team structure in place by September in order that it be ready for publication in November for the annual meeting. She thought the most reasonable approach would be to first determine the team chairs. The council looked at the composition of the teams and offered possibilities for chairs of the various teams based on the individuals' skills, knowledge and background. If these people agree to serve, it is proposed that we have a "Job Fair" time, possibly after a church service, where our members might be able to talk to the chairs of any teams that are of interest to the individual member.

Fund Raisers

There were no updates at this time.

New Business

Loan Status

No update at this time. The application is in process at Cornerstone.

Building /Property

The painting of the outside of the building is scheduled to begin after April 22 weather permitting. The contract has been signed.

The other items for deferred maintenance have not yet been scheduled pending loan approval and availability of funding.

Office

Doug Goudy indicated that he believes we need to take action to secure our office environment. There is a great deal of confidential information in the office that is too easily accessible, and is not properly secured. The office is often unlocked without anyone monitoring the traffic in and out. We have some information which is now under lock and key, but more needs to be done. Several council members observed, that in their visits to other churches, that they have never seen a church office as open as ours.

Ministry Team

Discussed under Old Business, above.

Counting of Contributions

Patty Staley indicated that a group of people will rotate on this process. As a result no one person would have access to all of the information regarding congregational giving.

Committees

Discussed under Old Business, above.

Adam

Doug Goudy indicated that he was planning to ask Rev. Adam concerning tasks that that he could use help to complete. Rev. Adam has done a good job on many different tasks, but Doug would like him to have more time to work on spiritual and religious subjects rather than need to spend a great deal of time on clerical and administrative tasks. It was noted that there have been several offers from members who have volunteered to assist. Obviously this would entail a learning curve, but following that, hopefully Rev. Adam would have more time for addressing other issues.

Committee & Other Reports Received:

The following reports had been distributed electronically prior to the regular monthly council meeting.

President's Report:

A written report had not been submitted.

Vice President's Report:

A written report had been submitted.

Budget & Finance Committee:

A written report had been submitted.

Building & Property Committee:

A written report had been submitted.

Christian Nurture Committee:

A written report had not been submitted.

Worship Committee:

A written report had been submitted.

Minister's Report:

A written report had been submitted.

Items for the Good of the Order:**Parking**

In the absence of Rev. Adam, the following information was furnished by Patty Staley's Budget and Finance Report.

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Adjournment

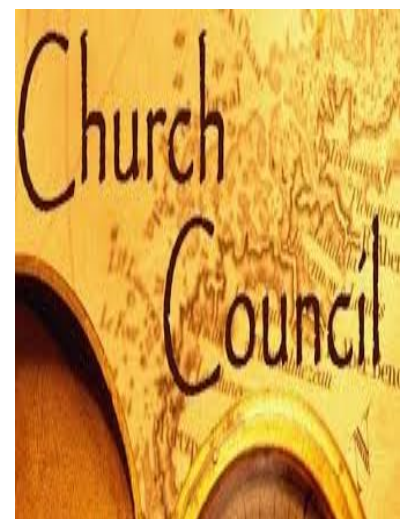
Karen Clark made a motion that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Patty Staley and approved by vote of the council.

Closing:

The meeting was closed with all praying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ballard Yates, Council Secretary





Do you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, neighbor, friend, enemy, or anyone else who is perhaps interested in participating in the Rite of Holy Baptism?

We are hoping to make Pentecost 2019 (second Sunday in June) a day that is filled with baptisms! Ask around and direct any interested parties to one of the pastors for further details!



May Birthdays

07—Rosie Poppaw
11—Amy Lynn
13—Deborah Amaranto
14—Sharon Dunkle
19—Judy Humphrys
24—Ed Humphrys
28—Bob McCann
30 —Shirley Keller
30—Butch Martin



Flowers & Fellowship

Flowers for the altar in the sanctuary can be purchased each week to help beautify the worship service and then take and enjoy in your home. Sign ups for the flowers are on the corner by the coat rack beside Reverend Adam's office, and priced as follows: one bouquet is \$13.75 and two bouquets are \$27.50. Flowers can be dedicated in memory or in honor of a loved one or event. Checks can be made to the church with indication that they are for flowers. Thank you for participating in this tradition.

Fellowship hours are open for sign up as well. Please contact the church office if you can help supply snacks and refreshments for our weekly fellowship hour here at St. John's. A new sign up sheet is in the basement fellowship hall for your convenience.

Flowers

5th—Rev. Adam
12th—Brian Dunkle
19th—Patty Staley
26th—Open

Fellowship Hour


5th—Pastoral Staf
12th—Mother's Day/No Fellowship
19th—Logan Graduation Party
26th—WOSJ

In Loving Memory

Memorial Contributions were made in memory of Tim White by: Rosie Poppaw, Ron and Nancy Duckson, and Thelma White.

Memorial Contributions were made in memory of Victoria Burns-Moss by: Ethel Burns, Christine and Wilfried van Breukelen, and Steve Boggs.

May 2019

SUN 28	MON 29	TUE 30	WED May 1	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4
 ● 10:30am Worship Service			● 8:30am Breakfast Club	● 7pm Prayer Group	● 11am Staff Meeting	
5 ● 9am B&P ● 10:30am Worship Service ● 4pm Spirit(s) Bar Church	6 ● 6:30pm Budget and Finance	7 ● 6pm Nurture	8 ● 8:30am Breakfast Club ● 6:30pm Worship Committee	9 ● 6pm Church Council ● 7pm Prayer Group	10 ● 11am Staff Meeting	11
12 Mother's Day ● 10:30am Worship Service	13	14	15 ● 8:30am Breakfast Club	16 ● 7pm Prayer Group	17 ● 11am Staff Meeting	18 ● 4:30pm Good Grief
19 Logan Grad Celebration ● 10:30am Worship Service	20	21 ● 8:30am Breakfast Club	22	23 ● 7pm Prayer Group	24 ● 11am Staff Meeting	25
26 ● 10:30am Worship Service	27	28	29 ● 8:30am Breakfast Club	30 ● 7pm Prayer Group	31 ● 11am Staff Meeting	Jun 1