



### **March 14, 2016 Meeting**

#### **Present:**

Steve Wilcox	Katie Penick	Butch Pfarr	Dolly Stahl	Sandy Freund
Krista DiPaula	Ron Earling	Al Dufour	Tim Dunn	
Linda Kirstein	Joan Edwards	Paul Wienecke	Rick Rosenfeld	

#### **Guests:** Jenny Winter

Meeting was called to order by President Steve Wilcox at 7:03 p.m.  
Pastor Katie opened the meeting with the lighting of the Christ candle, a spiritual reading (based on Romans chapter 6) and prayer.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the February 8, 2016 council meeting as amended. The motion carried.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report/Account Balance was presented with a correction to line #1200 of the Income Expense Report. The 2016 Collections report was also shared. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as amended. The motion carried.

#### **Presidents Report:**

- Pastor Katie was hired as a transitional pastor; there is no timeline for making a change in our pastoral service; there is nothing mentioned in our current by-laws that states an interim or transitional pastor will serve for a specified amount of time
- Thank you to all who are participating with ushering and helping out at church

#### **Pastor's Report:**

- Four Sunday worship services were held this month
- The Ash Wednesday Service was on Wed. February 10th
- This year we are offering Wednesday night Lenten services. We will begin with a light meal at 6:30, followed by a service of prayer and meditation. Prayer stations are incorporated into the service. The first service was held on February 17th and will continue through March 16th
- Confirmation met on February 21st & 28th
- There were no additional committee meetings this month
- 3 home and hospital visits were provided (numbers were limited due to weather conditions)
- Catoctin Association Church and Ministry Commission on February 8th

- Special thanks for all of the support and care that you offered me during my father's recent health crisis. I am thankful for the presence of this community in my life
- Upcoming Events:
  - Mar. 19 – Shrader Wedding
  - Mar. 24 – Maundy Thursday Service
  - Mar. 25 – Good Friday Service
  - Mar. 27 – Easter Sunday
  - Apr. 2 – Council Retreat
  - Apr. 3 – Tillman Baptism (tentative)
  - Apr. 10 – Worship Committee
  - Apr. 30 – Chesapeake Association Spring Meeting at Heritage UCC
  - May 1 – Caregivers Meeting
  - May 15 – Confirmation Sunday
  - June 10-12 – Central Atlantic Conference Annual Meeting

### **Committee Reports:**

- Music & Worship – a meeting was held and Easter services have been planned
- Board of Christian Ed – the One Great Hour of Sharing single bank has not produced much money; children will be given individual banks to fill and present to the church on Easter Sunday along with the Living Cross; an Easter egg hunt is being planned for Sunday School hour on Easter Sunday
- Church and Ministry – no report
- Stewardship – giving letters have been mailed
- Cemetery – mailed out 2 promissory notes due from accounts receivable; sold 2 lots and completed deeds; 1 funeral held; filled in sinking grave sites
- Church Life and Vitality – Spaghetti dinner planned for May 7th
- Finance- meeting held 2 weeks ago to discuss people who have not attended church in the last 2 years; in the last several years \$750 worth of giving envelopes have been discarded due to people not attending church to pick them up; letters need to be sent to the list of inactive members stating they are considered inactive (yet still members); this has been a reoccurring issue that has not been resolved for several years
- Property- from Committee meeting February 22, 2016
  - Present: Jim Murphy III, Frank Winter, Dave Winter, Jamie Shomper, and Ron Earling.
    - New Business
      - Church: Contact Chimes to renew parking agreement. Get cost to replace power supply for organ. Get cost to renew or replace protective covers for stained glass windows. Replace lighting for steps at the front of Church.
      - Office: No new business.
      - Hall: Repair sink in woman's restroom. Checkout reason for spikes in electric cost and why A/C window unit is tripping its breaker. Get cost for installing a shower and laundry washer and dryer for Streets of Hope.
      - Grounds: No new business

- Old Business
  - Projects and tasks to be completed by Property Committee:
    - Church: Replace light over Ascension window with brighter LED light. Panel over the speakers in the steeple with maintenance free PVC board. Christmas tree for the front of church needs to be replaced.
    - Office: Clean gutters and add an additional downspout to the left side front of building. Replace columns and paint attic window. Continue work on cellar windows (also on caretaker home). Repair concrete on front porch and sidewalk to garage.
    - Hall: Check to see why cold water in ladies restroom is hot when first turned on. (Pipe may run too close to radiator pipes)
    - Install door at the back of hall (funded by Annabelle Phillips).
    - Grounds: Paint new lines on church parking lot. (On hold)
  - Proposed projects to be completed by vendors:
    - Church: Replace power supply for organ. After panels over speakers have been installed and proven effective, the ceiling will need repairs in several areas.
    - Hall: Replace carpet in hallway by restrooms and kitchen with linoleum. Sand, paint, and caulk all windows.
    - Grounds: Both the church and hall parking lots are in need of milling and resurfacing.
- Work Party March 12, 2016
  - Present: Jim Murphy III, Frank Winter, Dave Winter Jamie Shomper, Tom Hayman, and Ernest Wondee.
  - Completed Projects and Tasks
    - Church: Checked and made necessary repairs to pews. Installed light sensor for security light. Repaired floodlight for steeple. Temporarily fixed buzzing problem in organ.
    - Hall: Made temporary repair to sink in woman's restroom. Fixed stair lift.
    - Grounds: Repaired front gutter and awning on Old German School House. Made new trashcans for cemetery.
- Next Work party to be announced.
- Next Meeting will be held March 21, 2016
- Snow plow has been repaired on truck at no cost; there are more disadvantages than advantages in getting a 5 ton snow plow; that idea will be scrapped

**Old Business:**

- CSI – Golden Ring Coop update – we signed a lease transfer that is required for the group to continue planning for the future renovations; they are still planning on completing our church parking lot for us; now that the new lease is in place CSI will begin submitting the funding applications
- Holy Week Services – 4 services planned
  - Palm Sunday - palm will be handed out by the ushers at the beginning of the service
  - Maundy Thursday- service will be looking at the life and ministry of Jesus; table communion will be served at the front of the church
  - Good Friday - will be a musical service with interaction from congregation and choir
  - Easter - all hands on deck in regards to helping out; will need approximately 10 communion servers
- Council “Retreat” – April 2 from 9-3; light breakfast and lunch will be served; meet at the church office

**New Business:**

- Office Protocol – A discussion was held in regards to a staff position
- Streets of Hope – Steve has a meeting next Wednesday to discuss plans for next season; no issues were brought up from this year
- The information on the sign outside of the office building needs to be updated
- The Infinity show scheduled for the end of April has been canceled
- The farmer across the street has not been paying rent for approximately 15 years; this needs to be looked into
- Chesapeake Council would like to hold their annual gathering for Boy Scouts on June 12<sup>th</sup>; this is approved by council

The meeting closed at 9:10 PM with the Lord’s Prayer.

The next council meeting will be on April 11, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Krista DiPaula

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Wilcox Date  
Council President