

MT. LEBANON CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BOARD MEETING July 19, 2022

Attendance via Zoom: Janet & Paul Bowers, Rev. Cindy McClung, Chuck Sargent, Sally Myton, Kathy & Tom Spray, Barb & Ralph Scott, John McCarty, Mike Philippon

Meeting opened via prayer from new Chairperson Tom Spray.

May Board Minutes will be emailed after the meeting since Chuck missed the meeting and just got notes today. Chuck summarized the minutes that he got from Rev Cindy today and the minutes were approved.

Minister's Report:

- John McCarty graduated and looking forward to ordination. Date not set yet. Maybe September.
- Cindy will be on vacation Aug 12th-29th. John McCarty will preach those Sundays.

Church Clerk: no changes

Financial Secretary: Barb Scott

- Barb compared 2021 income with 2022 for first 7 months and regular donations are similar. Givelify was \$2,000 less.

Treasurer's Report: Janet Bowers

- Need budget amounts of expenses from teams for 2022 given to Janet so we know what to expect. Basic expenses are up \$7,000 due to extra expenses.
- Building maintenance fund is in good shape.
- Through the end of June general fund income is off \$1,000.
- Mentioned the need for budgets to be received from the teams for financial planning purposes.

The Officers' reports were approved.

Team Reports

Christian Education: Rev Cindy

- Bible Studies starting in September.

Deaconess Report:

- Still using bread & cups individual packages. Jane & Sally are bagging the communion.

Deacons:

- Deacons continue to bring tray for contributions forward during Sunday services.
- Barb Scott asked about where we could put the offering so people could see it easier on Sundays. We decided to put a table by the entrance to the sanctuary with a sign saying OFFERING.

Elders – Chuck Sargent

- Welcomed Kathy Spray as a new Elder and reviewed the Elders procedures with her.
- Chuck is updating the Elders Handbook and will email it to all Elders.
- Discussed prayer concerns for the congregation and others in our meeting last week.
- Elders will be doing the prayers at the table starting in September instead of the worship leaders. A schedule has been created for this.

Membership/Evangelism: Chuck Sargent

- “Dining Disciples Groups” – 8 people in a group. Will start in September and meet once a month. A list for signing up is in the narthex at church. Rev Cindy is putting together a plan of study.
- Strawberry Festival – most all of our active members were there. People helped wherever needed. More community people this year than in past years.

Outreach: John McCarty reported for Jane

- July – water bottles to be handed out on July 4th on our front lawn for people walking by. Also, donations are requested for World Vision Clean Water Project.
- Checks were sent to BMF.
- Mission Camp this Thursday. 6-8pm Need mouthwash without alcohol. Nail clippers. Individual moist wet towels.

Personnel: Rev Cindy

- Worked with Trustees to decide to give \$125 for guest speakers and guest organists. The board voted and approved this unanimously.

Pastoral Relations Committee: no recent meeting. John Crist, Ralph Scott & Janet Bowers.**Property: Paul Bowers**

- Took down tree in front of church that had been damaged. Stump removed also. Maybe ask for donation for a new tree.
- Paul still cutting grass. Did not hear back from contact.
- Tree fell on fence behind parsonage. Paul cannot find similar fencing. He will probably make a fence post himself.
- Boiler for Chapel area – Paul still looking for a pump.
- Inspection of hood over the stove found chemical to put out fire is not working. \$2,100 from an estimate Paul got, was voted on by the board and approved.

Stewardship: Need a volunteer to chair team.**Trustees:**

- Talked about items still needed so that Mike Philippon can be added to have access to our Vanguard Funds and reports. Chuck Sargent is helping Mike get some documentation for what they require.
- Trustees were briefed about the fence needing repaired at the parsonage.
- Discussed a possible garden where bushes are by parking lot.

- 2022-2023 Trustee Appointments:
 - Property: Tom Spray
 - Insurance: Ralph Scott
 - Investment: Mike Philippon (Ed Persinger on Vanguard accounts as backup)
 - Minutes Keeper: Mary Jane Webb
 - Outside Group Liaison: Mike Philippon
 - Personnel: Dan Wahl and Ralph Scott

Vision Team: Rev Cindy

- Continue to meet to see other ways to do outreach.

Worship: Rev Cindy

- Chuck Bieri out 2nd & 3rd week of August. Substitute not arranged yet. John McCarty is talking with Ron Brown to see if he could help.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- Ralph & Barb mentioned that our homebound members need visitors. Maybe form a group instead of making it just the Elders. Ralph & Barb volunteered. Chuck volunteered to have the Elders ask people who would visit the Homebound.
- Discussed about creating different groups and maybe combining Deacons and Deaconesses.
 - Cindy got some volunteers to help work on this. Tom Spray, Janet Bowers & Mike Philippon.
 - Chuck said a review of our church's structure was done a while ago and he will send what was in that report to this team.

Rev Cindy closed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chuck Sargent – recording secretary