

MT. LEBANON CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BOARD MEETING minutes January 17, 2023

Attendance via Zoom: Rev Cindy McClung, Janet Bowers, Chuck Sargent, Sally Myton, Tom Spray, Barb & Ralph Scott, Cathy Snyder, John McCarty, Chris Wagner

Meeting opened via prayer from Rev Cindy.

November Board Minutes were emailed to all before this meeting. The minutes were approved.

Minister's Report:

- People sick doing better, Audrey, Joanne, Chuck B, Chuck S.
- Ladies retreat went well at Cindy's house. 9-10 women

Church Clerk: No report. No change in membership.

Financial Secretary: Barb Scott

- Last 3 months 2021 and 2022. We received \$9,000 more in 2021.
- \$4,000-5,000 deficit for income for the year.
- Will give out individual year-end donation reports at church and mail the rest.

Treasurer's Report: Janet Bowers

- Still waiting on end of year report from Harold. Still working on Friday on it.
- Less income last 3 months but not spending as much.
- Chuck & Janet reviewed list of who Joyce is sending the newsletter to in the mail. We are stopping sending newsletter to the few churches we had been sending to.

The Officers' reports were approved.

Team Reports

Christian Education:

- Bible Studies on Wednesdays.
 - John is doing bible study for 6 weeks.
- Dining Disciples luncheons and dinner are going well.
- Bible school during June.

Deaconess Report:

- Still using bread & cups individual packages. Jane & Sally are setting up the communion table each Sunday. Ros is bagging the communion for handing out on Sundays. Amy suggested ordering bio-degradable bags and we said she can order them.

Deacons:

- Deacons will pass offering plates during services starting in 2 weeks.

Elders – Chuck Sargent

- Updated our prayer list.

- Kathy and Tom Spray – moving into a new house with Kathy’s mom on Feb 4th. Need to sell two houses.

Membership/Evangelism: Chuck Sargent

- Christmas Party – Dec 11th for lunch after worship. Had trivia play written by Dan Wahl. Sang Carols.
- Fellowship after Christmas Eve service – Many people stayed and all went well.
- Plan on “Game & Pizza” night on Saturday May 6th at 4pm.
- Strawberry Fest scheduled for June 10th.
- Picnic – Sept 10th – back to church Sunday
- Christmas Party on December 10th.

Outreach: Geri Offenbach – Rev Cindy reported

- February - SHIM
- Outreach for December – water wells- we collected \$1,040 which was doubled by a church member.

Personnel: Dan is working on some items.

Pastoral Relations Committee: no recent meeting.

Property: Paul Bowers

- Heat still working in Chapel and Literacy council.
- Hot water tank that Jeff donated and is in the boiler room. – not installed yet.
- Having electrician who worked in the kitchen check our outside lights that have not been working. – no update

Stewardship: Need a volunteer to chair team.

Trustees: Ed Persinger

- The Trustees voted to approve the purchase of 12 Common English Version Bibles; \$18.99/ea. Cindy did some research with one of her former professors and decided on this version. We opted to start with a dozen and gauge the congregation's interest from there. We may use a Special Gift or Memorial fund for this purchase.
- Cindy to inquire with G&S Signs about updating exterior signage. Plan to use Heilman (Friendship Village) Special Gift Funds. (To guide people to correct entrance.)
- Mike Philippon is working on a couple of requests for use of our building. One being a wedding on 3/25, and the other for an interview as part of a small amateur film by filmmaker Roy Terry, date TBD. Will give more info as those things are confirmed.
- Other things in progress but not worth reporting on as of now.

Program Team

- Met Jan 5th – notes from meeting are included in different teams reports in these minutes.

Vision Team: Rev Cindy

- Has not met recently.

Worship: Verna McGinley

- String players at Ash Wednesday service.
- We will have a service on Maundy Thursday.
- Prayer stations on good Friday at church.
- Will have people order live flowers this Easter. We have not done this since the pandemic.
- Pentecost – May 28th – possible play during service.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Maybe another sermon about Stewardship
- Maybe more financial information in newsletter than we have done.

Rev Cindy closed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chuck Sargent – Recording Secretary