

**MT. LEBANON CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
BOARD MEETING minutes May 21, 2024**

Attendance via Zoom: Jane & John McCarty, Rev Cindy McClung, Ed Persinger, Chuck Sargent, Barb & Ralph Scott, Tom Spray

Meeting opened with prayer from Cindy.

March Board Minutes and April Special meeting minutes were emailed to all before this meeting. The minutes were approved.

**Minister's Report:**

- Horst still in rehab?
- Ron to start chemo sometime. Jaw a little bit swollen.
- Cindy on vacation May 29-June 13 doing Spanish El Comino trail
- John will preach in the morning & for CAYA service while she is gone.
- Preaching conference last week gave her some ideas for us to use.

**Church Clerk:** No report.

**Financial Secretary:** Barb Scott – Donations a little behind from last year. Donations are about \$6,000-7,000 a month.

**Treasurer's Report:** no report

The Officers' reports were approved.

## Team Reports

**Christian Education:** Rev Cindy

- Bible Study – finished up. John & Jane shared. Will start up in September again.
- Dining Disciples luncheons and dinner are continuing. Will start back in September.

**Deaconess Report:** Mary Jane, Bonnie and Carol are taking turns setting up communion each Sunday.

**Deacons:** Deacons continue to help during Sunday services with Communion and offering.

**Elders – Chuck** via note from Jane

- Reviewed the prayer list.
- Need to do a better job of taking communion to homebound or just having contact.
- Plan for Elders training in person

**Outreach:** Jane McCarty

- Maybe have church match donations when we collect for any charity any given month
- June outreach – collect beans and rice? with SHIM for immigrants in Baldwin (dogfood?)
- SHIM having table at Strawberry Festival to advertise
- Maybe call elderly people SHIM has once a week.

**Personnel:**

- Edna Morris started today as our new secretary.
  - Cindy introduced her to the building etc.
  - Chuck worked remotely with her today on her PC and explained some things.
  - She has had both hips replaced.
  - Raises Dogs
  - We need to tell her about printing and calling Amcom for cartridges.
- Jane will be working with Edna for newsletter for June.
- Edna will be doing Sunday bulletins now.
- Samuel needs help for getting a green card.
- Samuel did Organ Recital to help raise funds to bring his family to USA.

**Pastoral Relations Committee:** no recent meeting.

**Program team:** Cindy

- Strawberry Festival – June 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Cindy will send out email to Program Team so we can make sure we have things handled.
- Cindy and Sargents will be gone.
- John updating flyer with the band and giving to Cindy

**Property:** Tom

- Prescott did roof repair.
- Flashing light by church sign was removed and we now have two solar lights on each side.
- Workday in May. People helped get some things done and pitched out.
- ABC Fire Extinguisher came for check-up

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

**Trustees:** Ed Persinger

- Have talked about need for custodian some time

**Vision Team:** On hold because of Discernment Team

**Worship:** Rev Cindy

- Choir sang on Palm Sunday and Easter.
- Singing some other Sundays.
- Cindy may preach a series on “questions people ask”
- John planning on CAYA series on “names of God”

**Special Teams:** Discernment Team

- Kathy gave an update last Sunday.
- Spiritual gifts – Discernment Team has been calling people to discuss how they can be involved.
- Trying to get a working Budget for the church.
- Mike – a student from CMU is interning with us to help with our discernment process

**New Business:**

Emails to congregation: Jane has been using a free version of MailChimp. This lets you automate emails to send to people and has other features. Real version is \$13/month gives 3 admins. Board voted to use if for our church. John & Jane are paying for the first year and Jane will train Edna to use it.

Jane & John talked about the need to have a collaborative tool to use for members of the congregation/teams to share data files and update them. Google Drive a possibility. They both are using this some but would like a Google Drive to maybe be setup for the Church. They asked for Chuck to look into what other options there are but we will probably setup a Google Drive down the road.

John McCarty closed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted: Chuck Sargent