

Prospect United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
May 19, 2016

In attendance: Heidi Flower, Mattie Verzino, Jackie Palance, Tim Krauss, David Corey, Beth Provost, Jeanette Baker, Carla Heister, Susan Powers; excused: Christa Zaldivar, Jill Wilson, Luisa Gladu, Bill Thibodeau

Devotion: Jesus, the Good Shepard – from Upper Room

Business:

Annual Conference- Tim Krauss is the Lay Member from PUMC attending; Jill Wilson will be attending for Missions; Dave Corey will be the driver delivering the CT District UMW Layette Kits; there are four Annual Conference Mission Offerings and Tim will present to our congregation on these giving opportunities which will have envelopes in our bulletin. Some of the sessions of Annual Conference will have live streaming.

Eagle Scout project – take a moment tonight as you leave to look around at the work that Tyler has done.

Education – working on Children’s Day program, Superheroes of the Bible, and VBS, Surf Shack.

Music Director – second phase of organ restoration completed; Senior Choir last Sunday for summer is June 19 with possible July 3rd singing for Pastor Kim’s first Sunday. Handbells will play June 5. Kids Praise God is now basically Sunday School kids getting ready for any special event, so possibly the format will change in the Fall.

Faith in Action – Jeanette stated that we will adapt to what is available; we DO have capacity for mission; the six special offerings throughout the year will be emphasized; with mission projects the congregation will be informed and follow up done; 1-a couple of fundraising projects for Volunteers In Mission, 2-Missionary covenant relationship, 3-Collaborative projects and Fundraisers with other PUMC groups (need to communicate needs), 4-need ideas for letting the congregation know about missions, 5- let Jeanette know of any ideas you have, 6-remember that the Bargain Center is a mission.

Carla submitted the Glocal award paperwork.

Member Nurture – Jackie is trying to find a time to meet; we need to get a list with phone numbers for people who need a ride to church; need to follow through with members who have needs

Nominating – Bob, Bill T, and Jackie will meet to get a Building cleaning coordinator and head for Stephen Ministry.

Roberts’ Fund – Beth stated that 3 children are signed up to go to Camp Quinipet and 2 families to family camp. They have requested funding assistance.

Spring Cleaning – the Sanctuary will be cleaned on Saturday at 9 am. Come and help out.

Staff Parish Relations – Jackie informed all of the three Pastoral Transition Meetings. May 28th will be the first, and all are welcome. SPR discussed staffing the nursery with two paid personnel starting on September 11.

Trustees – will have a parsonage walk through to prepare for the new pastor.

Middle Ages – Relay for Life has signup sheets in Fellowship Hall. Gary and Luisa have been cleaning out the Middle Ages cubbies.

Transition – our responsibility is to help the pastor succeed; we are partners; we share the burden; we are supportive.

Nothing from Finance this month.

Other – we need better signage for 1-the roped off balcony and 2-where the handicap access/entrances are.

Susan – parting words. Church Council is an administrative group with ministry in the heart of administration, moving toward a goal. Whose business are we conducting?