

Administrative Council

October 14, 2019

Ann Creech called the meeting to order with a prayer. The devotion was given by Heather Collins. Becky Carter will give the devotional at the next meeting.

The minutes from the prior meeting approved as printed with a motion to accept made by Jean Coble and a second by Holly Mazejka.

Old Business – There was no old business to discuss.

Pastor's Report – Jimmy was absent, and the Lay Leadership recommendations will need to be approved at a called meeting after church.

Committee Reports:

Trustees – Carolyn Knowles stated that the bathrooms have been completed and both look good. She also said that Larry Coble had caulked all the cracks in the Church Bell Pedestal, so it should be able to keep the rain from getting into the interior. She also asked that the Hut be cleaned up and Phil stated that the Methodist Me will do it. Steve Isaacs requested that the foosball table and Pool table be left.

Lay Leadership – Phil Isaacs reported that things were going well and there were no complaints. He thanked the church for allowing him to preach occasionally.

Finance – Jean Coble reported for Finance that the committee has struggled with the Budget this year. She said that they have taken a conservative approach to paying the bills. They are only paying those that must be paid. She commented that the Apportionments are not due until December 31. Half of those have been paid to date. She said that we have honored all our other obligations and are paying our pastor. So far, no bills have been paid in October. If needed, the Finance Committee will meet in mid-December to see where we are unless Valeria and Jean feel we are in a good place to pay off the apportionments. She noted that giving is down. Our attendance averages around 63 but there are some Sundays with only numbers in the low 40's. This year may be the first year in the history of the church when we may not be able to pay our apportionments. What do we do? Jean then presented the proposed 2020 Budget. She said that cuts were made where Finance felt that they could be. Jason and sandy Staley, who clean the church, are not doing as much as when they started so they were cut by \$50.00 per month. Programming was reduced to a total of \$4,522.00. There were no questions. Jean made a motion to approve as presented and the second was made by Phil Isaacs. The 2020 Budget was approved. Steve Isaacs told the group that Pilgrimage is \$40.00 per person plus hotel rooms. He

said that due to a lack of youth there were not be a spaghetti lunch to offset some of the costs. The Youth budget was cut for 2020. Jean said that 15% of our budget comes from Fundraisers. Tom Pritchard said that there used to be 25-35 youth. Some discussion concerned our Traditional versus a Contemporary Worship Service. Elizabeth Coble suggested that the Worship Committee look at this.

PPR –Holly Mazejka reported that this committee met on September 30. She said that there was a \$300.00 increase for our pastor's health insurance. She said that the State of the Church Report has been completed. There was also a Survey on Jimmy with a 1-5 rating. Jimmy was given all 5's. He had to give a personal goal and he said that he wanted to walk more, and his professional goal was to be more intentional in prayer.

Breakfast – Nothing to add.

Work Areas:

Children – Heather Collins stated that VBS was June 16 to June 20. She thanked everyone who helped. There were Nursing Home visits and baby items that were given to Heart's Cry. She said that there were very few children to participate (4-8 per night). She said that they want to do Children's Church again and need help with the little ones when doing this per Becky Carter.

Worship – Ann Creech reported that this group hasn't met in a while. She said that they are trying to not have so many announcements and to try to streamline this process so we can go right into worship. Please let Phil or Ann know or give it to Steve or Tammy Isaacs so it can go in the meeting information for the screen.

Youth – Steve Isaacs said that they are including 3rd, 4th and 5th graders in the combined youth. He said they had 6 last Sunday. There are some activities that are done with the combined youth and some activities are done separately. This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at a different church. They have found that if you get them involved early then they will continue coming. They meet from 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm. There are 4 going to Pilgrimage and adults. This will be November 8,9 and 10.

UMW - Betty wasn't here but Bea Gilmore said that they are suffering from not enough attendance. They continue to contribute to the local organization. There is an Annual District Meeting coming up.

Communications –Betty wasn't here but Jean Coble said that she has a Facebook Event Page to publicize the Breakfast. Everyone needs to Share it with their Facebook contacts.

Bea asked about the Church Directory Staff Page. She said that Donna Harris usually goes on it. She asked if anyone had a snapshot that could be used of Donna. Ann said she will look for one. Bea wondered if we should do a special dedication of tribute page for Donna. Tom suggested that this might hurt others, so it was decided not to do this.

Jimmy sent information that Donna had taken a turn for the worse and a moment of silence was observed.

Ann adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Coble

Calendar

October

- 15 UMW #1 - 11:30 am – Golden Corral
- 20 Fellowship Meal: Covered Dish
- 24 Good Shepherd Kitchen

November

- 2 Community Breakfast
- 3 UMM Breakfast – 8:00 am
- 10 Charge Conference – FUMC Elon
- 12 UMW #2 – 6:30 pm – Fellowship Hall
- 17 Fellowship Meal: Covered Dish
- 19 UMW#1 – 11:30 am – Golden Corral
- 25 Decorate Church and Chili 6:30 pm
- 28 Good Shepherd Kitchen

December

- 1 First Sunday in Advent
- 1 UMM – 8:00 am
- 10 UMW #2 – 6:30 pm – Fellowship Hall
- 15 Christmas Play and Refreshments – 6:00 pm
- 17 UMW #1 – 11:30 am – Golden Corral
- 24 Christmas Eve Service – 11:00 pm
- 26 Good Shepherd Kitchen

January 2020

- 5 UMM – Breakfast 8:00
- 6 Administrative Council – 6:30 pm
- 14 UMW#2 – 6:30 pm – Fellowship Hall
- 21 UMW#1 – 11:30 am - Golden Corral
- 23 Good Shepherd Kitchen