

**PLAINFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2018 CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

Those present: Elizabeth Gilbert, Ken Loudenback, Mark Preis, Melissa Shriner, Nikki Shoultz, Shannen Shortt, Mike Simek, Jacob Tipantasig-Wolverton, Charlie Wilfong, Christie Wright. Bob Montgomery, Mary Raver, Kathy Perry, Bob Milligan, Tony Doster, Ray Shannon

Nikki opened the meeting with a welcome at 7:00 p.m. and shared devotions from Tracy Miles

The minutes of the September meeting were approved with an amendment regarding the cost of the parking lot.

The group shared glory sightings.

Mike provided an update on Transforming for Tomorrow. The next meeting is scheduled for October 28. To date, \$427,079 has been raised. Mark updated that the parking lot is complete. There is a ribbon cutting scheduled for October 11th in the parking lot. The sign is supposed to be installed sometime this month.

Bob reported on Staff Parish. All positions filled. Bob thanked the Staff Parish committee team for their good work.

Lay Leader Reports: Mary shared that the crop walk was on Sunday. Family Promise honored PUMC as a sponsor. The week of November 25 is PUMC's next week of Family Promise. The Bundle Em Up coat drive wrapped up. The mitten trees will be going up in early November. The Second Saturday has been serving 95-100 meals. Sandy Bennett returned from Madina School and has been doing presentations in Sunday School classes. While she was in Madina, her emphasis was on teacher development/training. PUMC will VIM Training on November 10. Vida Nueva is moving and connecting with Abundant Harvest Methodist Church. Fall Food drive starting Nov 4. Kathy updated that Trunk or Treat is coming up October 28 from 4-6 pm. The Spooktacular will also take place on October 28. Sunday School classes have started new curriculum where they have large group and then move into smaller groups. Nikki shared that there was a meeting with the leaders of Children's Day Programs regarding finances and it was a good discussion.

Shannen reported that the grief share group has a Surviving the Holidays session. PUMC will hold two one-day seminars Nov 11 & Dec 9. Endowment committee is up and running approved recent grant. Jennifer shared that The Gratitude Path worship series and church-wide study is having positive impact with people and families as we hike the trail to genuine biblical gratitude. The author of the study book, Rev. Kent Millard, will be our guest preacher on Sunday, Oct. 28, for Consecration Sunday. The worship schedule that morning will be unchanged except there will be no Preaching Chapel. Beginning in November, Classic Worship will feature music by contemporary Christian group, Casting Crowns, in a worship series entitled "Playlist".

Mark provided a Trustees update. Some of the HVAC units are scheduled to be worked on next week. There was a discussion on adding ramp to New Day Praise stage to make it wheelchair accessible. There was an approved motion for further exploration by Trustees which would include various options that may or may not remove walls and/or change configuration.

Charlie shared budget update on finances. Following are the financials as presented:

MONTH	BUDGET TO DATE	CONTRIBUTION MONTH	CONTRIBUTION TO DATE	EXPENSES MONTH	EXPENSES TO DATE	ENDING BALANCE	BALANCE CHANGE
JAN	\$87,122	\$142,843	\$142,843	\$87,628	\$87,628	\$56,859	
FEB	\$174,244	\$84,718	\$227,561	\$91,646	\$179,274	\$49,931	(\$6,928)
MAR	\$261,367	\$93,057	\$320,618	\$76,054	\$255,328	\$66,934	\$17,003
APR	\$348,498	\$86,752	\$403,235	\$79,999	\$334,052	\$73,318	\$6,384
MAY	\$435,612	\$65,093	\$472,463	\$79,858	\$413,910	\$58,553	\$14,765
JUN	\$522,734	\$78,986	\$551,449	\$78,589	\$492,449	\$58,950	\$397
JUL	\$609,586	\$76,772	\$628,221	\$74,204	\$566,703	\$61,518	\$2568
AUG	\$696,979	\$78,036	\$706,257	\$79,740	\$646,443	\$59,814	(\$1,704)
SEP	\$784,101	\$74,202	\$780,458	\$84,267	\$730,710	\$49,748	(\$10,066)

New Business: Charlie shared an upcoming event that Bishop Trimble is hosting. A Call for Prayer on Sunday, November 18th from 2 pm to 4 pm at Castleton United Methodist Church. Recommended a book *Is it Time* by Adolf Hansen. Elizabeth provided a preview of the new Connection Card.

Charlie closed us in prayer at 8:15 pm

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Recorded by Jennifer Finesilver

Presented by Vernon Sullenger Secretary

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