

Lakeview United Methodist Church

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ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Kathi McCormick and opened with prayer and a meditation. Those present in addition to Kathi were Don Wilson, Jeff Ekstrom, Dick Thompson, Wayne Kersey, Pastor Richie and Marilyn Morton. The December minutes were accepted as printed (Don/Dick).

Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report for December was distributed, and motion (Wayne/Don) carried to accept the report.

Finance - All pledge cards for 2018 have been turned in to the Treasurer.

A motion carried (Don/Jeff) to keep the extra monies collected for hams/turkeys for the Christmas baskets fund for next year. This is based on the fact that we had a special fund raiser for this year and it will not be available to us next year.

Family Ministries - Because we do not have Family Ministries Chairperson, Kathi reported. There was much discussion regarding the children's worship time during regular church service. Kathi plans to handle the month of January and Linda Martin will handle the month of February.

Also, Kathi plans to get committee together (with Pastor Richie) and work out a solution of how our Family Ministries Committee plans to proceed.

PS/PRC - The committee arranged for a monetary gift for our Pastor, Organist, Choir Director and Janitor for Christmas.

We received a gifted piano for use in the choir room (from the Berg family) -and motion carried (Don/Jeff) to have it tuned and the old piano removed from the room.

"FAM Pastor's Report-The JAM" program/dinner at Christmas was fabulous good art stations plus good food. Our wish was that more persons had attended.

The pastor will be participating in a "Revival" at Red House, evenings of January 12-January 14.

The pastor's checkup at Cleveland Clinic is scheduled for February 14 & 15. February 14th is Ash Wednesday and Pastor Tex Frye will deliver the ashes at the service.

A meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9th with the St Albans Police Chief to secure permission for the 5k run on a course in our local area sometime in May.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL - Cont'd

The planned Women's Conference will be held at Lakeview, April 21st.

Miscellaneous - Plans are to continue our meetings the first Tuesday of the month -- next meeting will be February 7.

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

January, 2018. As I type this, this reporter is wondering how many years I have been writing these notes from the unknown reporter. It must be at least 20 years and maybe more. I am also wondering how long I will be able to continue given that my fingers are nearly numb. But for now, as long as the Lord allows, I will soldier on.

January, the beginning of a new year, when the possibilities are limitless, when all is new and fresh and possible. Here we go January, what have you got for us? Good health, prosperity, sunshine and roses? We surely hope so!

This terrible cold snap that won't go away has afforded the children some extra vacation time. A little bird told me that our Mike Kistner has cleared a portion of the lake to allow the children to ice skate for the first time in many years. Thanks, Mike.

Christmas was well celebrated at Lakeview. We rang bells for the Salvation Army, we tended the table for the Hospice Love Light Tree, we provided at least 18 Christmas baskets to needy folks, we shared a Cantata with Humphreys UMC and we thanked and praised God for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

We had a wonderful Family Night at the church, a potluck dinner, a craft night where we painted a stick, (see the vase

at the back of the sanctuary) iced cookies for Christ's Kitchen, made cards, and created animal sculptures. We thank all of those who provided the cookies, cards and paints. Thank You, Family Ministries!

As always, we ask for prayer for those of our number who are struggling with health issues: Jack and Noreda Bowman, who is awaiting surgery on Jan. 22, Charlie and Carol Fry, Charlie is currently in Thomas Hospital with the flu, Tiffany McCormick is recovering from a nasty bout with pneumonia, Candy Morgan is recovering from knee replacement. We also ask for prayer for all the others of you who have had respiratory ailments. Hope all of you have had your flu shot—they say it isn't too late to get it! The shot, I hope you don't get the flu. Maybe this ultra-cold weather we are having will cut flu season short.

Don't forget! Coffee and Conversation is back in full swing at 8:30 am on Tuesdays at the church.

Happy New Year! from the Unknown Reporter.

FINANCE CORNER

Monies needed to make Budget \$7,775 Income for December \$9,261

All bills are paid in full.

If you have any questions concerning the budget, please see any member of the Finance Committee.

Thank you. Finance Committee

CHURCH CALENDAR

Linda Thompson has the responsibility of keeping the church calendar for managing the facilities of the church.

We are trying to schedule rooms and etc. so we do not have two or more persons or groups trying to use the same facility at the same time. Please call Linda at 304-727-3723 or 304-546-8460 or Email lindathompson1@gmail.com to reserve a room or any part of the church.

At the same time let her know if you need heat, air conditioning or kitchen facilities and at what time.



Kid Kits

Items to include into your Kid Kits

24 Count Crayons
Pad of Paper
Coloring Book
2 Pencils
Toothbrush & Toothpaste
Comb or Brush
Stuffed Animal
Children's Book

January and February Anniversaries

FERGUSON	2/2
HEDGES	2/12
EKSTROM	2/16
CARR	2/23

January and February Birthdays

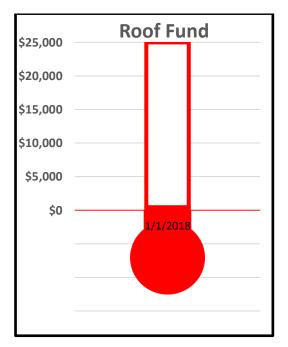
LESLIE BODEN	1/12
CHARLI RUSSELL	1/12
DAVID POE	1/13
RYAN EDWARDS	1/13
JOHN HUMPHREYS	1/17
WAYNE KERSEY	1/21
EVAN ROWE	1/26
TANNER EKSTROM	1/28
TOMMY ATKINSON	1/29
JIM ROSE	2/2
MARIANNA BAUCOM	2/3
BOBBY IDDINGS	2/4
ELIJAH GOODWIN	2/6
KAREN WILSON	2/13
MARY FERGUSON	2/23
BILL CASTO	2/28

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please send an email to:

<u>Donaldp.wilson@yahoo.com</u> and I will add you to the list.

ROOF FUND

The roof over the multipurpose room, kitchen, choir room and classroom/nursery is approximately 20+ years old and will need to be replaced in the next few years (a major repair was made this spring). The cost for replacement is estimated to be around \$25,000. A Roof Fund has been established to accept donations toward replacing this roof. If you would like to make a donation, please give it to Jeff or Karen Ekstrom and designate it for the Roof Fund. Thank You.



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS RE-ENROLLMENT

Lakeview United Methodist church participates in Kroger's Community Rewards program where Kroger will provide funds to local churches, schools, and other local community organizations. If you are participating in this program, it is time for your annual re-enrollment. For instructions, go to:

http://lakeviewunitedmethodistchurch.net/stewardship.html

If you have any questions or need assistance, please see Dick Thompson or Don Wilson