

## Consistory Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2013

- I. **Call To Order/Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Janice Broyan, President, at 6:38 pm. Candle was lit by Kim Bernetski and prayer was offered by Pastor Penny Dollar. Those attending were Pastor Penny Dollar, Janice Broyan, Nelson Horwath, Don Myers, Camille Daniels, Kim Bernetski and Jill Bernetski. Absent – Ron Rinehimer.
- II. **Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the August 15, 2013 consistory meeting were sent to members via email. All members received a copy prior to the meeting. Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Camille Daniels and seconded by Nelson Horwath to approve the August Consistory meeting minutes. Motion carried.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** The 8-31-13 Treasurer's Report was provided to members at the meeting. Overall totals for general, building and memorial funds were calculated correctly. A motion was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Nelson Horwath to accept the August Treasurer's Report totals. Motion carried.
- IV. **Old Business:**
  1. **Heating Oil:** Calls were placed to Newell (Peter's), Smith and Leah for oil prices. The price received from Smith and Leah was \$3.34 per gallon while the price at Newell was \$3.24 per gallon. This is not a locked in price; however, Newell stated they would match any price. The tank has been filled; Newell will return on a scheduled basis to refill the tank.
  2. **Memorial Fund CD:** There are two CDs that will be maturing in September. One CD is for the Steeple Fund; this was donated in memory of the Readler's son. There current balance is \$1,400; when the CD matures, it will be re-invested in another CD where the best rates will be earned. The second CD matures on September 26<sup>th</sup>; the current balance is approximately \$22,000. A portion of these funds will be transferred to the General Fund to meet current expenses. The remainder of the funds will be reinvested; however, they will need to be accessible so they will most likely be put in a money market fund. Don Eroh and Jim Rinehimer will handle the transfer of the funds; they will invest the funds where they will receive the highest returns.
  3. **Fellowship Hall:** The Building Team has staked out an area to pour sidewalks; they have also taken steps to keep the water away from the building. A special thank you to all who worked to complete this work as it was a huge undertaking – Steve Moyer, Gene Broyan, Pete Dixon, Marc Davis, Jim Stewart, Bill Eckrote, Don Myers, Donnie Murray, Allen Dennis, Ron Rinehimer and Josh Cronic. Thank you also to Bill Eckrote for providing all the excavation and Norb Dotzel for donating the gravel. Some additional drainage work still needs to be completed. Fans will be purchased to be placed under the floor of the Fellowship Hall that will automatically kick on when moisture is present.
  4. **Cakes for Turkey Supper:** A volunteer is still needed to make calls asking for cakes for the supper. An announcement will be made on Sunday.
  5. **Re-Creation:** This was very well attended; there were about one third more people there than last year. The total received from the love offering was \$573; an additional \$200 was donated from the Missions Team. The group was very appreciative.
  6. **April Turkey Supper:** The third Saturday in April will be Holy Week so the date will need to be changed. The tentative date is set for April 26<sup>th</sup> with May 17<sup>th</sup> being the alternate date.
- V. **New Business:**
  1. **Kirchentag:** "Church Day" This will be held Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 at the church on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Berwick. There will be 12 churches participating. There will be a German themed covered dish after the service. Each church has been assigned a course; Emmanuel is responsible for desserts. Ushers and greeters are needed. There will be a joint choir with all the churches; those interested in joining the choir are asked to meet at the church at 2:00 to go over the music.
  2. **Men In Harmony:** This is a men's chorus out of Millersville; Pastor Penny will contact them to schedule a concert in the future.
  3. **Nursery:** Jim and Lynne Stewart have done a lot of work to update the nursery. The walls have been painted; new carpeting and tile has been installed. The Noah's Arc painting is still there. The nursery looks beautiful and it is now ready to be used. Children from infant to 1<sup>st</sup> grade can go to the nursery. Infants can be brought to the nursery prior to the service and small children will go down after the Children's time. It was suggested that it would be a good idea to hire someone to work in the nursery every week; they would be paid \$15 weekly. A background check will be completed on this person. A motion was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Camille Daniels to pay someone \$15 to keep the nursery on a weekly basis. Motion carried. Kim Bernetski has said she is interested in keeping the nursery on a weekly basis.
  4. **Veteran's Day:** A new Veteran's plaque is needed; the current one is filled.
  5. **Golf Tournament:** One or two more volunteers are needed to assist Don Myers and Nelson Horwath to solicit ads from local businesses. This is a small time commitment – only 4 weeks out of the year. It is never too early to start asking for hole sponsors; the cost is \$25 - \$100.
  6. **Blood Drive:** It was discussed to sponsor a blood drive; Denise Dean will be asked to coordinate this with the Red Cross.

## VI. Pastor's Report:

1. Educational Opportunities: On October 21<sup>st</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>, Boundary Training will be held; this training is required every 4 years. The cost is \$50 and the training is an all day event. Also, on November 6<sup>th</sup>, the Center for Emotional Intelligence and Human Relations Skills will be conducting a seminar in Harrisburg; the cost of this session is \$155. A motion was made by Camille Daniels and seconded by Nelson Horwath to approve the expenditure to allow Pastor Penny to attend. Motion carried.
2. Crop Walk: This event will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup>. The walk will begin at 12:30 starting at Emmanuel to St. James and back. Emmanuel is responsible to provide refreshments to the walkers.
3. Thanksgiving Eve Service: The service will be held at 7:00pm at Cornerstone Christian Fellowship.
4. Advent: Advent begins December 1<sup>st</sup>; the Christmas Pageant will be held on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
5. Caroling: Church members will go Christmas Caroling on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

**VII. Communion Setup:** OCTOBER: Ron  
NOVEMBER: Kim & Jill

**VIII. Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 24, 2013 at 6:30 pm.

**IX. Adjourn:** Meeting was called to close by Janice Broyan at 7:50 pm.