Consistory Meeting Minutes - August 22, 2019

Call to Order/Roll call: Sandy Kleger, President, called the meeting to order at 6:43 pm. Prayer offered by Pastor Lou. Those in attendance were Jim Stewart, Diana Decker, Butch Peters. Allen Dennis and Lisa Cease were absent...

Secretary's report: Minutes from the July 25, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved during a Sunday offering meeting.

Treasury Report: Treasury report for July 31, 2019 was reviewed. It was approved but with more discussion.

Old Business:

- a. Guest: Chris Dietrich was invited to attend this meeting but was unable to attend. He will attend the September meeting. We have multiple questions and need Chris' input. He will be invited to attend all the consistory meetings from now on.
- Blood Drive: It has been decided to pass on having a blood drive as the arrangements were difficult and another church was having a blood drive in Mountain Top on August 26.
- c. Sesquicentennial: This event will be celebrated on October 6th during and after service. There will be fellowship following service with pot luck dishes. At this time Pastor Lou, Allen Dennis and Deb Dietrich are working on collecting information and putting it together. Anyone can help with this. Please bring any pictures, certificates, or stories to be included.
- d. AED: We are still looking into this but might receive a donation of an AED from a local event that gives one to a community organization. More on this later.

New Business:

a. Scouts Planting Trees: We have received a flyer and a text request from the scouts regarding their tree planting program to plant 100 oak trees to celebrate their 100 years of camps. Part of the trees will be planted at the camps and the rest in public places to remind the public of scout camping. A tree with a marker can be sponsored for \$25.00. Jim Stewart made a motion that we do this with Butch Peters seconding. This will not be planted on church grounds.

- b. Benevolences- These will be discussed at the September meeting.
- c. Purse Bingo Fundraiser- In February, Tracy Aita, Pastor's wife, would like to come to one of our meetings to discuss this as a fundraiser for the church. Bingo is a fundraiser in many organizations. She knows the process to set up and conduct an event.
- d. Green clothing box. We have received \$117.00 for the last quarter donations in our green box. This is a welcome addition to our general fund.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Bonnie Bates was a guest speaker for us on August 4. She had a great time and we were her 101st church to visit. Pastor Lou gave her a gift of one of the plates with the church picture on it.

Pastor continues to attend the monthly meeting of the Communities of Faith.

Six adults and 8 children attended the youth group trip to Knoebles on August 21. A good time was had by all.

The food pantry is in need of certain foods. Pastor will post a list of the items needed. A letter will also so out to local churches regarding the October Harvest Home event that will collect food for the food bank. More about this soon.

Communion Setup: September 1. Handled as usual.

Next Meeting: September 19, 2019 at 6:30pm.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Butch Peters and seconded by Jim Stewart.

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