

Refrigerator News

May 8, 2016



Notes from Leadership Team Minutes of April 28, 2016

Present: Pastor David, Lori Linn, Dave Cuttrell, Dave & Evelyn Bickel, Bob & Marty Kaylor, Terri Woods, Marilyn Drudge, Jan Williams, Craig Colvin, Sara Loutsenhizer, Carolyn Egolf, Peggy Brown, and Heather Grady.

Honduran Church: David presented the request from Honduran Church (10 persons at present) to use Lincolnshire on Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. and Sundays at 4:00 P.M. They offered to help in ways we might suggest. Craig, Lori & Marilyn will meet soon with their representatives for initial conversation.

Review/Observations regarding Youth Presentation Feb. 25:

Each person was asked to respond. Responses were:

1. **Music:** How does pastor “bridge” preferences for traditional and contemporary?
2. **Scripture:** Well-presented for some: too difficult for others.
3. **Predictability of service:** Some persons like pattern; others desire spontaneity.
4. **Interactive sermons:** Youth asked for more.
5. **Video:** Are effective. How much of service should be on screen?
6. **Bulletins:** Different opinions. Needed or not needed?
7. **Where’s the energy?** Energy or lack of it can be “felt” upon entry.
8. **Flow of service:** Contemplative & quiet or building to energetic response?
9. **Qualities needed:** flexibility, receptivity, and patience.
10. **How much do we change?** Do we prize community enough to give up our preferences? What’s the price of not changing?
11. David commented on our “phenomenal caregiving. It’s who we are.” (Results of discussion were summarized by Craig.)

Sabbatical: Kevin & Sharri have requested a sabbatical during the month of June. Plans are in place for their responsibilities to be handled during their absence.

Financial Report: Current balance at the end of March was -1,039. A Quarterly Report was distributed showing expenses, percentages, and balances remaining in various accounts.

Worship & Music: Terri Woods is planning services for May 1 and 8 when David will be absent.

Birthday Parties: Terri brought Paul Sosenheimer’s suggestion of a birthday party each month. It was felt potlucks would be the best time to honor those celebrating. Outreach & Caring will consider. Idea results from the successful event held recently for Russell Meux.

Stewardship: Bob distributed the schedule for 2017 Stewardship Campaign. Ministry Team chairs are asked to note the Sunday for presentation of their

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team's needs and ministries. Had furnace repair not been necessary, balance would be a positive \$300. Congregation is commended for its generosity.

Outreach & Caring: Potluck for May is cancelled due to Mother's Day.

Meeting was closed with prayer by Carolyn Egolf



Today is the last day to make a reservation for the Ladies Tea on Saturday, May 14. If you haven't done so, stop by the Hospitality Desk before leaving church this morning to sign up.

It's been reported that our Donut Fund is running out of dough. (ARGH!) As you take your donut of choice this morning during Fellowship Time, please be mindful of that little collection box and drop in some dollars! Thank you!

Pastor David is out of town this coming week with his fishing pals in hopes of luring unsuspecting fish onto their lines and subsequently into their skillet. The church office will not be open during this time. I will make only sporadic trips to the office to check phone messages, etc. You can reach me by text, email, cell phone or home phone if needed. Thanks! ~ Sara L.

Financial Report from Stewardship Team

	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
Contributions	\$11,064	\$12,920
Expenses	16,535	9,945
Balance EOM	- 5,471	\$ 2,975

Year to date

Contributions	\$49,429
Expenses	47,493
Balance	1,936

The Stewardship Team reminds us that the church operates on a cash basis with quarterly commitments of about \$1,200 per month. They also work with a challenged budget and are appreciative of your support and commitments.



Monday, May 9

9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, May 10

Men's Bible Study Cancelled

Wednesday, May 11

7:15 Choir

Thursday, May 12

9:30 Calling and Discernment

Saturday, May 14

2:00 Ladies Tea with First Christian

Next Sunday, May 15

Pentecost Sunday

Communion

Prayer Request and Updates

Our loving prayers of sympathy are said for **Robin La Rue** and the family of his grandson **Jonathon Mortensen** who passed on Monday, May 2. May there be comfort and peace found in the loving prayers of so very many who knew and loved him.

Paul and Aletha Sills are now residing at Coventry Meadows where Paul will begin therapy following pacemaker and defibrillator surgery.

Jane Baker is also in transition from Lutheran Village to Coventry Meadows. She will move there on June 1. In the meantime, she is staying with daughters Kay and Marna. Mail can be sent to Kay's address at 6425 Bittersweet Lakes Run, 46814.

Ongoing prayers for healing are for...

Dave Bell as he heals from a broken wrist and hip.

Joe Kirkman's sister **Liz Lake** recovering from major surgery.

Tom Dawson also from major back surgery.

Jan Ward healing from asthma and allergy related problems.

Sharon McKay and Lisa Lahr recovering from knee replacements.

Our ongoing prayers are for the families, friends, and caregivers who devote time and energy to help and encourage so many.