

Minutes

In Attendance:	Pastor Dave Justine Clark Diane Stoehr Chuck Kormanski	Hannah Donlan Adam Naugle Mike Jones Deb Bunnell Ruth Lucey	Sue Swope Nancy Pisanick LeeAnn Lightner John Mancinelli	Absent: none (Ken Streilein moved)
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Call to Order/Welcome	Justine Clark (7:00 PM)
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Devotion/ Blessing	Pr. Dave read the gospel lesson for Sunday the 21st, which was from Matthew Ch. 1, concerning Joseph and the angel’s message to him. We talked about the difficulties of accepting a virgin birth, and how Joseph’s role is often overlooked.
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Minutes of Last Meeting-Approval for Accuracy	Approved: yes
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Treasurer’s report – Diane Stoehr – As published	The first two weeks in Dec. we received \$13,000. Pr. Dave added that we just got a one-person donation of \$25,000, bringing our total up to \$38,000 was of mid-Dec. Last Dec. as a whole brought in \$63,000. 1st: Chuck, 2nd: Deb Approved: yes
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Capital Campaign work - Mike Jones	Second floor restrooms are in service. The basement demo was to start on Jan. 9, tiles to begin on Jan. 19, but the tile guy had to postpone until Feb. 23rd. Restrooms expected to be completed by the end of March.
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Pastor’s Report - Pr. Dave	The weekend before Thanksgiving we held the Thanksgiving service/dinner. It is our largest attended event of the year. P.D. attended the Synod Assembly on Nov. 1st, where Kevin Shock was elected bishop. P.D. is planning his installation, to take place at Mt. Calvalry, Johnstown, Saturday, Feb. 7. He will need pastoral coverage that day. Other activities included: teaching lay pastors, Mandated reporter training for child abuse, Girls Bible Study cookie baking, Yule Log activity, Sequanota Board meeting, Christmas decorations, choir singing, not to mention a hospital visit every day in December so far.
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Board Reports

Children, Youth & Family- Adam Naugle	Notes: The cookie walk raised \$1,000. for the Youth. Kelsey Bowman helped out with a great sidewalk sign. They plan to do it next year also. No young adults came to the first Young Adult Bible Study. The youth retreat at Sequanota was successful, with about 20 youth plus chaperones. They did Bible Study, and had fun going out to eat. Dec. 30 will be a New Year’s Eve event for all ages, with games and food. In January, Youth will help Outreach in the kitchen with Ravioli lasagna.
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Adult – Ruth Lucey	Notes: The Yule Log activity was very successful, even menfolk participated. Giving Tree gifts were picked up. Ruth Circle hosted speakers Ken Dean and Amy Burns, who are involved with helping prisoners in the Blair County prison. They spoke of the various needs of people coming out of prison: Employment, Education, Housing, Reunification, and Clothing. Perhaps there are more ways Zion can help them. On Dec. 27th, Renetta Deremer is organizing a 98th birthday party for Pat Fulton at noon at Hillcrest apartments. All are welcome.
Worship – Deb Bunnell	Notes: The new Christmas trees worked out well. They were easier to set up, although fluffing took some time. For Christmas eve, we have new candles and holders, in the ongoing search to minimize wax shavings and drips. There will be battery operated candles for young children.
Finance – Diane Stoehr	Notes: Moving forward on “New Business” from last month. Diane has made it possible for Joni to be able to make transfers between the two accounts (Designated Fund Balances and Operating Checking Account) using a 2-person authorization and she does not need to be an authorized signer on the new account. FNB’s Money Market allows 6 electronic transfers a month. Chuck motioned: To move money from Edward Jones to FNB Money Market with Designated Fund Balances being separated from the Operating Checking Account, with 2 person authorization. John 2nd, Motion approved.
Property – Mike Jones	No report.
Stewardship	Notes: There is currently no leader for this Board. The Board has done a good job. Time and Talent surveys seem to get responses from folks who already are volunteering. Think about alternatives.
Continuous Church Improvement – John Mancinelli	Notes: No report.
Communication – Chuck Kormanski	Notes: Will meet Jan. 8 at 6:30 to begin a communication audit. All 17 avenues of communication will be analyzed as to: Who is responsible, Purpose, Audience, Which are most important, and what we can do to make them better. Also, anyone who wants to use the Union Ave. Bulletin Board is welcome to. Just ask for your month.
Outreach – LeeAnn Lightner	Notes: Serving Squad met Dec. 11 for a kitchen day. Since July, Serving Squad has made 2,460 meals. Since inception, - 10,000 meals. Meals have not only gone to Hope Drop inn Center, but also to a freezer at Hillcrest Apartments, where any resident who needs a meal can get one. In March, they will make a dinner for Salvation Army. May 15 is Arts in Recovery. In the Spring, God’s Work Our Hands will clean and haul out items at Mending Hearts. We would like to work toward 3 or 4 projects a year out in the community. Chuck and Charlean will manage Kitchen Days while LeeAnn is in Florida from Jan.-April. Several people will be taught the Food Bank order process. Ryan will run Outreach meetings, and Chuck will report to CPC. Backpacks haven’t been used much yet, but Hope Drop In Center has used some. Justine: Productive and Uplifting work is need at the prison, like adult coloring books. There is also a large need for socks and underwear.
Youth Representative - Hannah Donlan	Girls’ Bible Study is ongoing, and it was good to see a big community response to the Cookie Walk. The retreat at Sequanota was lots of fun.
At Large –Nancy Pisanick, Sue Swope	Sue: People are saying how much they like the Yule Logs.

<p>New business</p>	<p>Chuck asked about Doug’s compensation now that the choir meets regularly - it has been covered and is sufficient. P.D.: Each Board should check your own budget. See where you’re at. Prepare for the next fiscal year. Go back a couple years and check trends. Mike: We need a long range plan. P.D.: Mainly for Property and Finance.</p>
<p>Old business</p>	<p>Justine: The One Time Building Use Policy turns out to be more complex than we thought at first glance. She will met with Diane and Joni; it will be more than one page. Chuck: Add Rick to that conversation.</p>
<p>Lord’s Prayer Adjournment: Go in peace to love and serve our Lord!</p>	