

## Ministry Team Meeting

October 8, 2019

The meeting opened at 7:08 with Pastor Chris leading the group in prayer.

Attendees: Pastor Chris Hart, Carol Hurn, Sandy Keene, Kim Mosley, Amy Szarek and Jennifer Petersen.

Pastor Chris:

Chris updated the group that two folks have agreed to be on the Covenant Team and work with Phoenix Rising on their upcoming move to GCC.

So far we don't have any response to the request for folks to serve on Nominating, which is important. Everyone agreed to pursue their leads and report back ASAP.

The Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service is being discussed between the various local community congregations that typically participate. No word yet on where the event will be held this year.

Stewardship:

Sandy updated the group that the Thrift Shop closet area now has a fire extinguisher per the request of the TS volunteers. There is still work being done with regard to the requested smoke detector. It is possible that one will not be necessary as there is an installed ceiling heat detector which is tied into the building's overall alarm system.

There is a project that Team Curb Appeal may soon be starting at the parsonage. The brick walkway from the back of the house to the driveway is in need of repair. This is likely to be a costly project but Sandy reiterated the importance. Funding is expected to come from the Building and Maintenance Fund.

Faith Formation:

Amy gave the group updates on the upcoming plans for Sunday School. The team has met and come up with a schedule and plan for the remainder of this year. Youth will remain in church on the first Sunday of the month and then the second two Sundays will have a multiage class. Talked about how to best communicate to the youth of the congregation. Texting and social media seem to be the best bets. Also the Youth Group aged kids will be invited to the next Game Night on October 25<sup>th</sup> as their first gathering activity.

Hospitality:

Carol would like to address the church's handicapped accessibility issue. The Ministry Team is in support of this idea. Pastor Chris recommended that Carol work with Dave Niles who already has done some preliminary work on the idea.

Missions:

Kim Mosley discussed the suggestion of having a monthly food collection during worship service. Sounds like it will begin on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and be done each month on the first of the month. Details will be communicated to the congregation over the next few weeks.

Office Admin:

Jen discussed the Fair Prize Drawing basket theme for the Ministry Team, which will be 7 Deadly Sins. Each Ministry Team member chose a "sin" to purchase items for.

- Jen – lust (wine and glasses with hearts)
- Carol – pride (facial gift certificate and perhaps some skin products)
- Amy - gluttony (maybe Carters gift card or chocolate)
- Kim – greed (scratch tickets)
- Sandy – anger (maybe Angry Birds stress ball or Angry Orchard Cider)
- Pastor Chris – slothfulness (laxiness themed stuff...Netflix gift card?)
- Which left the final "sin" of Envy to Susan. (Massage Envy gift certificate)

Jen discussed the information from Super Saturday Weird Church workshop she attended. She would like the groups blessing to put reminders about Reverend Don Remick's words in the weekly emails and programs. Everyone agreed this was a good idea.

Jen then told everyone about the new Family Leave Act tax and that churches are exempt from that. We can opt in and Jen is waiting for more information from the conference on what that would entail. She will bring this information to the group hopefully next month.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Petersen  
Office Administrator