

NOVEMBER – 2024

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024 7:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE:

Bruce Williams, Paula Blankenbicker, Barbara Lynne, Kathy Hayes, Laura Huston, Paula Gregory, Pastor Sharon and Judie Shannon.

Bruce read from Ezekiel 27: 12-25. The passage says that God is telling Ezekiel to warn the people of Tyre to stop sinning or Tyre will be ruined. Bruce also thought that the description of the "goods" that were brought to Tyre from all over the region was interesting. A very visual and beautiful description is prevalent throughout the passage.

MINUTES:

The minutes were read. Barbara motioned for the minutes to be approved with corrections. Paula B. seconded. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Laura asked if we have a new tax exempt number under our new name. We don't. She said she would look into the paper work. We received a "Water Testing" notice. Kathy will see if John has any information on this, if not we will use one of the companies that Highridge recommends to proceed with the testing. Laura did remind us that budget time is approaching

and she hasn't had any input from anyone. She gave us a copy of the proposed budget that she has devised. Bruce asked if we would take this home, look it over and let her know if we see anything that needs adjusted.

Kathy motioned to accept the Treasurer's report. Barbara seconded. All in favor.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Our Charge Conference is done and went well, although we do need names for the Trustee's committee. We also need someone to head of this committee.

Our Bible Study is going well.

Bible2School now has 20 children and is thriving. The Lift is being used for Bible2School as well as throughout the week. We are so happy to have the lift.

The Halloween Table is almost complete. The time is 2:00-4:00. Pastor Sharon will pick up a few of the last minute items this week. We do need a few more adults to participate. There will be a DJ, cookies, drinks and Boba Tea.

Sharon ordered tiny, little Jesus' to give out as well.

All Saint's Sunday material is ready. We have approximately 30 names of those we will remember.

SPRC received a copy of the Christmas Ever service. It was approved.

SPRC:

N/A

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Kathy, on John's behalf, asked if we had decided on the inscription for Fred's plaque at the flagpole. Yes, it will say "In Memory of Fred Mack".

Pastor Sharon had a quote on building a railing at the altar steps. She said it can be done, but the cost was too much for now. Now that we are using the microphone to do the Holy Spirit section of the service, it doesn't seem necessary.

Paula asked if she could use the leftover "outside" paint to paint the outside of the basement doors. Approved!

Paint and shelving is done in Paula's supply closet.

MISSIONS:

The "Soup Luncheon" was a great success. About 35 people enjoyed fantastic soup and lots of fellowship. We thank Paige and the Mission Committee for such a wonderful event.

The bedding and coffee pots were delivered to the Homeless Shelter in Indiana. The contribution totaled \$1000.00. We will send a Thank You note to Antiochian Village for their generous donation.

We will be packing Shoe Boxes on November 17 right after church.

WORSHIP AND NURTURE:

We have purchased 2 Luminara Flameless Candles for the altar. We will use these throughout the year, but still use our real candles for special occasions such as Christmas Eve, Blue Christmas, etc.

SCOUTS:

They are active and involved in community. They picked up garbage along several highways.

OLD:

Game night will be Friday, November 15 at 6:30.

NEW:

Pastor Sharon is checking on getting a truck to take items to the North Carolina hurricane victims.

No other business. Paula B.made a motion to adjourn. Kathy seconded. All in favor at 8:13 pm.



"NOT SEEING RESULTS? FEEL LIKE GIVING UP? CONSIDER THIS: THE LAST THING TO GROW ON A FRUIT TREE----IS THE FRUIT!"

GIVING AND FORGIVING

Empty hands seem to have nothing to offer. Yet, with nothing in his hands but the nails holding him to the cross, Jesus gave and forgave. No matter how big your regret, how shameful your sin, or how broken you are –from the cross, Jesus has forgiven you all of it. Jesus journeyed to the cross to give his blood and life to give you the new life that only he can provide. Nails in hand, Jesus gave you the greatest gift one could ever receive – forgiveness!

MISSIONS REQUEST

The Missions committee is asking for your help again this year to bring joy to local families this Christmas. The Mission tree will be in need of underware for boys and girls as well as socks, socks, socks! Please help them provide these items for those little ones!

Boys underware in sizes 6, 8, 10 & 12

Girls underware in sized 6,8, & 12

Socks of any size (remember these are elementary kiddos)



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER-

Sunday, Nov. 17 we will be packing shoeboxes immediately after worship. Plan to stay for 20 minutes after worship and help us pack up boxes that will go across the globe to children in impoverished and/or war torn countries.

DECEMBER

Sunday, Dec. 22. We will have our **BLUE CHRISTMAS** service at 6:30 pm. This is a wonderful service that is truly for everyone. Need to relax.?, this service is for you. Mourning the loss of a loved one- this service will be a time to give comfort, mourning change in family traditions- this service address that as well

Tues. 24th7pm Christmas Eve service



SUPPORT OUR LOCAL PIZZA ESTABLISHMENT

HUNGRY FOR PIZZA? REMEMBER FOX'S PIZZA! THEY HAVE GENEROUSLY
DONATED PIZZAS FOR THE BIBLE2SCHOOL PROGRAM. PLEASE CONSIDER
SUPPORTING THIS BUSINESS AS THEY ARE SUPPORTING US!

<u>CHANGE – FOR - CHANGE</u>

JANUARY – ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION - \$75.40

FEBRUARY - SCOUTS - \$109.71

MARCH - NF LIBRARY - \$294.62

APRIL – FOUR FOOTED FRIENDS - \$173.05

MAY - COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL - \$97.38

JUNE – CUB SCOUTS – \$133.28

JULY – JOEY'S JACKETS - \$132.36

AUGUST - LINUS PROJECT - \$148.15

SEPT - INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS - \$168.59

OCTOBER - NEW FLORENCE VFW -

Sermon Titles for NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 3 – SUFFERING TO PRAISE ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 10 – THE KING OF GLORY

NOVEMBER 17 – THANKSGIVING, A CRY FOR HELP

NOVEMBER 24 – A ROYAL WEDDING SONG – THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

OUR CHURCH

Tithing:

Thank you for being so faithful in your giving. Just a reminder that you can either send in your tithe (NFMC, 196 9th Street, PO Box 267) or slip it under the door of the church office or even place it in the offering plates. Thank you for your continued support.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Pray that God blesses our church this fall with hope, peace and joy! PRAYER OVER THE ELECTION

Don't be afraid to pray **BOLDLY!** BODLY! God loves that we trust him that much.

Pray that we hear that gentle and soft voice of God directing our path. He is faithful.

God's promise to us is not the absence of storms, instead he promises His presence in the midst of every storm.

LITURGIST SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 3 – RICK WOZNIAK NOVEMBER 10 – ED KELEMEN NOVEMBER 17 – JUDIE SHANNON NOVEMBER 24 – NANCY CALDWELL



If you would like to be part of this wonderful ministry, please let us know and we will be happy to add you to the list! PRAYER IS A VERY POWERFUL THING! WHEN WE PRAY TOGETHER, MIRACLES



FROM THE LINUS GROUP:

DEAR NEW FLORENCE METHODIST CHURCH:

Thank you for the donation to our local group of Project Linus Volunteers. Monetary donations help to pay for the materials we use in making quilts and blankets for kids.

Thank you so much,

Shirley LaMantia, Volunteer Group Leader

FROM THE INDIANA COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC.
DEAR NEW FLORENCE METHODIST CHURCH:

YOU MADE OUR DAY!

Thank you for your very generous donation of bedding and coffee pots to ICCAP for the Pathway Homeless Shelter. Last year Pathway received over 400 referrals and provided emergency shelter to single homeless men, women, and families with children. Once again, THANK YOU, we truly appreciate it. The needs continue, but together, we are all making a difference; one household at a time.

With gratitude,

Vicki Allen

Direct Service/Shelter Director



11	2	Kathleen Mack	
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11 5 Scott Wakefield

11 7 Kegan Hall

11 7 Pastor Sharon Hamley

11 7 Sally Richards

11 7 Krista Zakucia

11 10 Holly Lightner

11 10 Paul Peters

11 11 Donna Bennett

11 11 Andrew Fuller

11 11 Delaney Hall

11 17 Linda Wakefield

11 18 Dann Jones

11 20 Donald Heming

11 22 Drew Rummel

11 22 Audrey Uncapher

11 23 James Penrose

11 27 Holly Henderson

11 29 Patricia Berezansky

11 29 Anne Hall

11 29 Richard Stuart

1126 Mr. & Mrs. William Teeter

1130 Mr. & Mrs. Edward Blankenbicker, Jr.

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