

Cornerstone United Methodist Church
Executive Team Meeting Notes
October 26, 2017 - 6:30pm

Attendance: Dr. Mike Gillen; Debbie Meyer; Tim Perry; Sharon Bass

Not in Attendance: Lavon Gilliland; Terry Mendenhall; Jim Todd

Prayer: Debbie Meyer

Inviting Ministry: Sharon Bass

-Greg: Planning Youth retreat; preplanning VBS; Looking for volunteers for various openings; 9 confirmation kids; will need help inputting Breeze software; very pleased with Fall Festival

-Mark: No upgrades at this point; lighting options to optimize controls; sound is blending better

-Kerry: feel that 1st and 2nd service music groups are working well together

Connecting Ministry: Jim Todd - Reported via phone

Care Committee: Lou in Hospital

Deb M. reported on visitation committee and concerns of volunteer needs

Sending Ministry: Terri Mendenhall (Not in attendance)

Supporting Ministry: Tim Perry

-Staff Parish: P/t staff member request put on hold; staff raises reviewed by Finance; Staff appreciation went well, with exception of possibly not the best time to hold between services.

-Trustees: Discussed painting of lobby and hallway

-Generosity: Progressing well; November 5th next event

-Cemetery: No report received at this time.

-Kitchen: Circuit board for master oven working well

Church Events Update: Dr. Mike

1. Staff appreciation-Great!
2. Fall Food Truck Fun Festival-Great! Despite the rain. 2500 Internet hits!!
3. Blessing of the Pets-TBD
4. Holiday offering-Finance team needs approval 1/2 church-UMCOR
Disaster relief - Executive team approved
5. Thanksgiving Dinner-Organizing
6. Boy Scout Food Drive-Terry/Sue organizing; connected to HS for help
7. Charge Conference Oct. 28th-Executive team approved Charge
Conference form

Pastor's Report: Dr. Mike

1. Dive In events/campaign
 - a. Pastor Fall Bible Study-Good attendance
 - b. October 22nd - Dive In Kickoff went well
 - c. Nov. 5 Early Commitment event-Ready to go!
 - d. Dive In Website-Looks good!
2. Building Committee Update
 - a. Next steps-Meeting on 10/30; Working toward final drawing
 - b. Finance team/loan-Has met with two banks; interest rates under 5%
3. Safe Sanctuary Policy-Tabled

4. Staff report/Budget 2018 - Proposed Budget Review for 2018-Executive team approved proposal
5. Outreach ministry/ Nominating Committee/Other paperwork - Executive team approved
6. Building Use form/Yoga-Dr. Mike explained form for use of building for outside activities.
7. Worship Attendance-This year has been a downward trend of attendance compared to previous years. Age? ie. inability to drive; weather? Newly retired are traveling more. 2nd service attendance was down significantly, hoping to be leveling out now. Significant growth in Children's ministry - Adults teaching Kids Jam not in church.
8. Strategic Planning for 2018 will be put in place after first of the year.

Closing prayer: Dr. Mike

Next Meeting Date: December 7th, 2017 6:30pm

****Potential 2018 Meeting Dates (TBD)**

Feb. 22, Apr. 26, June 28, Aug. 23, Oct. 25, Dec. 6

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