

Worship Committee, Minutes OVUC Tuesday, September 6th, 2016

1. Call to Order – Cynthia called the meeting to order at 7:02.
2. Lighting of the Christ Candle/Devotions – Rev. Ivan lit the Christ candle and Marion led devotions - How to pray effectively, a reminder to start our day with prayer and provided 15 reasons why.
3. Roll Call and Regrets – Present: Cynthia Bruce, Kathy Schofield, Rev. Ivan and Judy Norton, Marion Buchan, Carolyn Cameron, Thea Burton, Ken Hassell. Regrets: Pat Godfrey, Betty Rockwell
4. Approval of Minutes: Regular meeting: May 3rd, 2016 – the minutes were approved as amended by consensus
5. Correspondence – None
6. Approval of Agenda – Cynthia asked to add 8d. Greeter Check in– it was approved by consensus
7. Business arising from the minutes:
 - a. Seniors’ services – We received no communication re: seniors’ services. Rev. Ivan reported our May 15th service went well. **ACTION:** Cynthia has mentioned and will again mention the need for extra help at Council to encourage committees to take a turn.
 - b. Evaluation of Worship Needs/Establishing a plan – Rev. Ivan reported that a notice will go out in the Bulletin to invite members to try out the earlier or later service. It was noted that we would like to encourage movement back and forth between services to ensure unity. **ACTION:** Cynthia to contact Bill to see how the idea of a workshop would look, if he is able to facilitate that and if so when.
 - c. Bulletins (Announcement to Congregation and Art Night) – Council approved the recommendation taken forth by Cynthia and 5000 Bulletins have been printed. Judy showed it around a beautiful photo of Apple Blossoms and the new crest on the back and all the necessary information. Special occasion ones ordered as well so we can have some choice.
8. New Business
 - a. Council Training – Judy reported that on Sept 25th from 12:30 – 3:00 she will be leading a training session for Council and Committee members and anyone interested. The first part of the session will be an overview on “How the Council model works within the framework of the structure of The United church”. The second part of the session will be to break away in our committees and work on committee mandates and job. Judy passed out information/invitation to each member at the meeting. **ACTION:** Attend and let others know if they are interested to learn more about the inner workings of the Church structure. Ensure Pat and Betty receive the Letter from Judy.

- b. Worship Committee Mandate – **Action:** Committee to complete during Sept 25th 2016 meeting.
- c. Fall Communion – Judy suggested the idea of doing 8-10 types of bread each with a different meaning – with the overall theme being Bread for the Journey. It was discussed and decided that 3 stations would be needed in the front of the Church, with Two people at each station. Judy, Rev. Ivan, Kathy and Thea will serve. **ACTION:** Thea to find two other servers. Kathy and Judy will find readers for the 10 types of bread. Kathy, Judy to obtain bread for service. Marion willing to help get bread or juice.
- d. Greeters Check In- Kathy mentioned she had September filled up. It was discussed that the “Greeters To-Do List” be something that we ensure the Greeters know is there and read.
- e. General Comments – Thea wondered what services we have coming up before 2017 that we would like a “Wow” factor at. Ken asked if we would like to re-invite the Hand Bell group back this year. It was decided that they should be invited to come Dec 4th or Dec 11th. There was some discussion if we hold a service for New Years day and Christmas day since they are both on Sundays this year. To be thought of and discussed at a later date. Sunday School program this year is based on information gathered by Judy – referred to as the Jessie Tree material. They will be putting on a program either the Dec 4th or 11th of December and need an artificial tree to decorate at the Church for this program. **Action:** Ken to contact Handbell group.

General Calendar that have Wow factors for already:

- Sept 11th – Camp Sunday, Sherbrooke Lake
- Sept 18th Sunday School Starts
- Oct 9th - Thanksgiving Sunday
- Oct 16th – World Food Sunday
- Oct 30th – Reformation Sunday
- Nov 6th – Remembrance Sunday
- Nov 20th – Reign of Christ
- Nov 27th Advent #1
- Dec. 4 – Advent 2 (White Gift Service, unless the handbells from Berwick are coming)
- Dec. 11 – Advent 3 (Berwick Handbells unless they came on the 4th, then it will be White Gift)
- Dec 18 – Advent 4 – Choir Cantata
- Dec 24th – Christmas Eve
- Dec 25th – Christmas Day
- Jan 1st – New years Day

Reminder of Sept 25th from 12:30 – 3:00 – Committee Members training session and meeting on Committee Mandate.

Next meeting, October 4th 2016 - 7 pm – devotions will be led by Kathy Schofield.

Adjournment – motion to adjourn Thea.