

**Orchard Valley United Church  
Stewardship Committee Meeting  
March 14, 2017**

The monthly meeting of the OVUC Stewardship Committee was held in the Board Room at 130 Cornwallis Avenue, New Minas at 3:00 pm.

Present: Judy Gilmour (Acting Chair), Sandra Tremblett (Recording), Linda Swindells, Vicky Austin (Secretary), Cheryl Manzer

Absent/Regrets: Ruth-Anne Stirling, Lisa Cormier

Note: Heather Hennigar has resigned from Stewardship. We sincerely thank her for her years of commitment to and support of this committee's efforts.

Judy Gilmour called the meeting to order by reading a selection entitled "Faith" and by lighting a candle at our table.

Minutes from February 21, 2017 were accepted as previously distributed by email.

#### Old Business

- March 7<sup>th</sup> Soup Lunch brought in \$609.90 with approximately 70 diners attending.
- Information and thanks were included in OVUC announcements.
- Discussion continued regarding increasing amount of soup made in order to provide take-outs for shut-ins. Judy G spoke to the Pastoral Care committee to encourage their support for a trial delivery following the April soup lunch, with a limit of ten take-outs. Men's Group volunteers will deliver. Theresa will forward the April menu to Joy Waterbury, who will need to confirm correct addresses for the deliveries. Containers for the soup and desserts are on hand and costs are covered by church budget, as noted by Cheryl.
- Also noted that leftover soup can be sold later if it has been properly labeled and frozen.

#### New Business

- Susan Carter from Berwick has offered to help OVUC with her idea for a fundraising event featuring her stand-up comedy along with music by local musicians. Her plan is based on a freewill donation, with proceeds split equally between OVUC and the musicians. Prior to today's meeting, Vicky forwarded the link for Susan's website to committee members for review of her clean comedy style. Vicky also spoke with the minister at Aylesford United for a review of Susan's comedy nights (2) held there. He said the events were appreciated by audiences of approximately 60 people. This committee agreed to pursue the event, possibly in late May. Vicky will contact Susan for further details and the lead up time frame required.
- Cheryl Manzer would like OVUC (with this committee's support) to present a dinner theatre in the Fall (mid to late October) called **Beehive: The 60s Musical**. She has had a preliminary discussion with Mindy Timchuk as director and would like to involve Thea Burton as well. We have an overview of the play, synopsis of the musical numbers and the requirement for singers and musicians. This committee is in favour of supporting the event.

April 4th Soup Lunch

- Wild Rice & Chicken or Cheesy Broccoli & Cauliflower Soup, Biscuits/Rolls and Fruit Salad for dessert.
- Vicky will take home the tablecloths, etc., for laundering this month.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm. Candle extinguished.

Next meeting: April 11th at 3pm

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Vicky Austin - Secretary

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Judy Gilmour - Acting Chair

*"You can give without loving. But you cannot love without giving."*

- Amy Carmichael, Irish Missionary