

OVUC Stewardship Committee
Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 at 3:00pm

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

Regrets: Ruth-Anne Stirling, Elaine Maynard-Lloyd

Call to Order: 3:00pm by Judy Gilmour

Approval of Agenda: Approved by Linda Swindells

Additions to Agenda: New Business items – Budget and Council Meeting, Stewardship CDs from Judy Norton

Minutes of November Meeting: Read aloud by Secretary

Approval of November Minutes: Approved by Judy Gilmour, Seconded by Sandra Tremblett

Correspondence: none

Old Business

- Soup Lunch in February
 - 74 diners, 8 takeouts, \$622
 - We will discontinue putting dinner roll baskets on the cleanup table
 - Sandra will track # posters printed/needed for distribution
 - Committee thanks Sylvia for pre-service slide show prior to Soup Lunch Tuesdays
 - Cheryl noted that expenses are kept low with bulk buying
- Request to Property Committee follow up
 - Judy G attended the OVUC Council meeting in January and pursued our request to move the commercial stove (currently in storage in Billtown) to the OVUC kitchen. Council has now approved the move, which will likely take place later in the year. Cheryl mentioned a member who wants to donate funds to the kitchen. These funds can be used towards the cost of moving the stove.
- Memorial Giving Tree
 - Income \$1760 in 2017, \$2075 in 2016 and \$2379 in 2015
 - We'll start earlier for 2018 – November 25th to December 16th. This will allow for enough time to organize and read final names of donors/donees on December 23rd. First readings will take place on December 2nd, the first Sunday in Advent.
 - We are also changing the name to Christmas Giving Tree
- Grayin' Alive Cabaret: Cheryl reported that it is a no-go in May.
- Stewardship Pledge Sheets from 2017: Vicky will check with Judy Norton to see what was done with the information from them.

New Business

- From January Council meeting, the **Stewardship budget** in 2017 was set at \$10,000. (Raised \$6955 from Soup Lunches and Giving Tree combined.) Stewardship budget for 2018 is set at \$6,000.
- We will ask Elaine to provide information and ideas regarding a **plant/flower sale** to raise funds at Easter or for Mothers' Day in 2019.
- **Easter envelopes**: Vicky will check with Theresa if there are enough envelopes available for Easter offerings.
- **Stewardship and PAR** promotion: Vicky will take time over the next month to watch some of the "Called to be the Church" DVDs given to this committee by Judy Norton. We hope to incorporate one or more clip into Sunday services in 2018.
- Cheryl suggested we hold a **yard sale** to replace the Cabaret. There are items currently in storage in Billtown to include. Judy recommended this be brought forward to our March meeting for further discussion.

Adjournment: Judy Gilmour adjourned the meeting at 4:05pm, noting that she will be away in April and unable to chair the Stewardship Meeting on the 10th.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 13th at 3:00pm in OVUC Boardroom

Vicky Austin – Secretary

Judy Gilmour – Acting Chair