

## **Orchard Valley United Church Worship Committee**

January 8, 2019, 7 pm

**Present:** Cynthia Bruce, Chairperson, Don Sellsted, Minister, Marian Buchan, Kathy Schofield, Betty Rockwell, Jennie Bustin, Ken Hassell

**Regrets:** Christina Macdonald, Pat Godfrey

**Opening Prayer** - Don Sellsted

**Minutes** of November meeting approved by consensus.

**Agenda** was approved with the following additions: Men's Retreat

**Correspondence:** Email from Sylvia Jacquard asking this committee to advise Communications Committee when clergy is away and who is to fill in. Cynthia Bruce will respond to Sylvia's email

### **Business Arising from the minutes:**

Senior Services - Andy Pitter continuing to oversee these services

Bulletins - bulletin covers printed; all set for 2019

### **New Business:**

- Motion via email( December 2018) - To approve request to transfer membership of Carla MacKenzie and Jeff Butler from Orchard Valley Pastoral Charge to Port Williams United Baptist Church. Moved By Christina Macdonald and seconded by Jennie Bustin; Motion carried.
- Advent candles and Christ candles - Discussion on colours and new candles. Ken Hassell to check at L'Arche store in Wolfville for Christ Candle, Cynthia Bruce to order new Advent candles – probably in the fall.
- Discussion regarding the lighter for candles and replacing with tea lights or tapes to reduce problems lighting the candles during the service.
- Baptismal Plaque- found in church office and will be hung back up .
- Nativity Scene - no complete set found, discussed looking into finding one before it is needed. All encouraged to look for one, preferably 12 inch size. Ken Hassell to inquire at L'Arche as well.
- Church cancellation policy - Gary Dunfield, Ken Hassell and Don Sellsted to confer on storm days and make decision.
- Church membership discussed - Time of year for transfers, invitations to join the church and baptisms.

- Lent Services discussed - March 5 - Shrove Tuesday- Pancake Supper and Ash Wednesday service- Cynthia Bruce to talk to Congregational Life Committee regarding the Pancake Supper.
- Looked ahead to Easter and traditions at OVUC, Seder meal, Good Friday. Firm up at next meeting,
- Men's Retreat - Planning for October 2019
- Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> - Walk a Mile/Skate a While at Acadia Rink. 10:15 to 11:15 followed by Pizza at church.
- Marion Buchan to represent Worship committee at Council Meetings, January, February and March 2019.

**Comments:**

- Don Sellsted updated the committee on his plans and activities for the next month. Included Services and Lenten Study.
- Reflected on Dec 24, the services and attendance
- Don Sellsted on vacation June 17 to 28th. Away 2 Sundays, Cynthia Bruce to look after the Pulpit Supply
- Important to focus on Youth and children; top priority is to give them a sense of belonging.
- Communion, January 13, 2019 - 9 am service  
February 3rd, 2019 - 11 am service
- Possible Choir exchange(?) in Spring with At Andrew's in Truro
- Y'All Come Supper January 29th (as confirmed via email) - Worship Committee to help. Cynthia to email Congregational Life committee for details (response to email - help needed from 4 pm until finish)

**Next meeting** – February 5, 2019, 7 pm.

**Closing prayer** - Don Sellsted

**Meeting adjourned**

Cynthia Bruce, Chairperson

Jennie Bustin, Secretary