

**THE UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**  
**Church Council Meeting**  
**February 8, 2011**

President Clarence Rowell called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

**Present:** Diane Borkman, Cissy Funk, Calvin Gundlach, Karrie Hogan, Harvey Jacob, Pat Jenkins, Glenn Koch, Rev. Cathy Oatman, Carl Price, Clarence Rowell, Pam Sartori and Alfie Schrodt.

**Devotion:** Karrie Hogan

**Minutes:** The minutes from the January 12, 2011 meeting were approved with three minor corrections. Clarence made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by Diane. All voted in favor.

**Correspondence:** Rev. Cathy brought up that there were many thank you benevolences put in the bulletins.

**Financial Report:**

- (1.) Harvey stated that through January 31, 2011 we are \$5,288.40 expenses over revenue. The church insurance bill of \$3,130.50 for this quarter was taken out of the December 2010 report and put in this month's report. Through the end of January this year we have \$13,435.00 towards the new air conditioner.
- (2.) We need to look into the Sprint rental income. We need to make sure the agreement and amount are enough to cover the cost for the electric use.
- (3.) Our Hamilton Federal CD of \$107,827.00 expired on 2/4/11 and we must decide by 2/10 what to do or it rolls over. We already voted to send \$55,000.00 to the Cornerstone Fund. We want to move the remaining \$52,000.00 to the bank with the best interest rate. Harvey did some checking around and found that Eastern Savings and Loans had the best rate. A motion was made by Diane to move \$52,000.00 for five years to Eastern Savings and Loans. This was seconded by Carl. All voted in favor.

**Discussion:** Most committees have council members on them. Clarence is concerned that more council members should be involved with church committees.

**Church Committee Activity:**

**Property:** Carl Price discussed his involvement in the following areas...

- (1.) Carl did some checking around and found that Aero Home Services, Inc. gave us the best price to repair the church roof to our satisfaction for a price of \$7,880.00. A motion was made by Cal to accept this price and begin work which was seconded by Diane. All voted in favor.
- (2.) Carl will reseal the choir roof and move the stones himself.
- (3.) Carl is grinding the handicap ramp so the door will open and shut properly.
- (4.) Three Sunday School windows were vandalized and broken which were fixed.
- (5.) Carl is looking into working on the back door of the Sunday School.
- (6.) The exit sign in the gym is broken and will be replaced.
- (7.) The three front church doors will be varnished and stained for \$2,600.00. This will be done in the spring.
- (8.) Some of the high lights in the church have burned out and will be replaced. Cal will help him do this.

**Membership:** A new member class has begun. We have four new members joining they are Doris Volker, Ric Nyborg, Kelly Oxendine and her fiancée.

**Altar:** Marge Hurd and Pat Jenkins have joined the Altar Committee.

**Fellowship:** Cissy reported the following events for the Fellowship Committee...

- (1.) The Quarter Auction will be Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- (2.) The Bingo will be Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> in the evening.
- (3.) The Congregational Meeting lunch made \$219.00.

**Christian Education:** Clarence stated there will be a meeting on Tuesday 2/15.

**Calendar:** The Church Calendar is very full. Diane and Pat will check with Arlene Pate about doing the Tableau.

**Spiritual:** Rev. Cathy stated that there are two new bible studies. The first is called "Companions in Christ" Group 1 – led by Rev. Cathy will meet on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. Group 2 – led by Ric Nyborg will meet on Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Each session will meet every other week for ten weeks. The second is called "Feasting on the Word." This Bible Study will begin on Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup> in the Sanctuary and will meet monthly.

**Pastor's Report:**

- (1.) Another request for a young mother co-op has been requested, however, this may not happen.
- (2.) The Friendship Academy wants to use us as an emergency meeting place and Rev. Cathy will meet with them. They said we are welcome to use their parking lot on Sunday's.
- (3.) The old computer in the church needs a new hard drive the cost would be \$65.00 and this will be given to the youth. A motion was made to purchase the new hard drive by Diane and was seconded by Carl. All voted in favor.
- (4.) Rev. Cathy will attend the Advanced RVAAM training on 2/10 and 2/11 at The University of Baltimore.
- (5.) For The Continuing Education Day on 2/25/11, Rev. Cathy will take a vacation day.
- (6.) Feasting on the Word/Companions in Christ – these are two bible studies. During the last Sunday of the month Rev. Cathy will lead this study in between services. Ric Nyborg will lead the evening class.
- (7.) Ric Nyborg is teaching the youth on Sunday mornings.
- (8.) Rev. Cathy had five visits, fourteen phone calls, one consult and one funeral during January, 2011.
- (9.) Rev. Cathy, Harvey Jacob and Pat Jenkins are looking into creating a day care during the week for in the Sunday School.
- (10.) Rev. Cathy wants us to look into the expensive phone bills.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Diane mentioned several members of the fundraising committee treated the youth group to dinner after a movie and everyone had a great time.

**Adjournment/Closing Prayer:** There being no further topics for discussion Cissy made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Carl. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. after reciting The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Calvin R. Gundlach  
(Recording Secretary)