

**THE UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

**Church Council Meeting**

**July 12, 2011**

Vice President Cissy Funk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Diane Borkman, Cissy Funk, Nancy Gray, Calvin Gundlach, Pat Jenkins, Glenn Koch, Carolyn Noteware, Rev. Cathy Oatman, Carl Price and Pam Sartori.

**Devotion:** Diane Borkman

**Minutes:** The minutes from the June 14, 2011 meeting were approved. Diane made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by Pat. All voted in favor.

**Correspondence:** None

**Financial Report:**

- (1.) Through June 30, 2011 we are \$10,212.08 expenses over revenue. This is due to the Church insurance and benevolences being paid in June.
- (2.) The church received a gift of \$123,883.63 from the estate of Bob Osburne. The money was deposited in Hopkins Federal for the time being. The council and the newly formed "Endowment Committee" are looking into ways to use and save the funds. Bob Osburne was very happy that the council and congregation voted to get a new air conditioning system for the church and it was decided that \$5,000.00 would be applied to the AC fund. Cal made a motion to donate the money which was seconded by Diane. All voted in favor.
- (3.) The next Endowment Committee meeting will be on July 29<sup>th</sup>.
- (4.) Cal brought up concerns from one of our members. This member shared that he felt the amount of money received should be announced in the bulletin and also deposited where the most interest could accrue, and finally that the money should be used to pay off any of the church's debt. The council took all this under advisement.
- (5.) Since receiving such a large gift and deciding we need a plan of action Council scheduled an additional meeting on August 30, 2011. At this meeting we will develop a priority list of repairs and purchases to be made.
- (6.) Cal cautioned to save at least half of the Osburne estate money to operate on in the future.

**Discussion:** Clarence Rowell had knee surgery and will be unable to deliver the canned goods to The Canton Food Pantry at Canton Baptist Church. Pam Sartori and Pat Jenkins agreed to take over the delivery of these goods. This is done after each communion Sunday.

**Church Committee Activity:**

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

- (1.) Work will be done on the Church roof by Rosedale Roofers beginning on Wednesday 7/13. Carl will take care of repairing the Choir roof.
- (2.) Will fix leaks in the back Sunday school door by the alley and the leaks in the alley wall.
- (3.) Will look into a new Church ramp.
- (4.) Will fix Rob Gundlach's outlets that are grounded in the balcony that cause unwanted noise.
- (5.) Will fix the broken glass with Plexiglas in the gym door.
- (6.) The light bulb in the front Church door needs replacing.
- (7.) Will look into getting Brandon Hovermill to stain the Church doors once a month.
- (8.) The boiler inspection is coming up at the end of the month.

**Membership:** Gary Pate and Bob Wirsing have joined the Church.

**Altar:** Pat stated that the altar committee has a schedule in place through the end of the year.

**Fellowship:** Cissy reported that she has applied for the permit for the Oktoberfest and that there will be a meeting in August. The Church bull roast raised \$1,011.00.

**Christian Education:** The next meeting is August 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Calendar:** Carol (Church Secretary) has updated and distributed copies.

**Ushering:** Calvin Gundlach volunteered to cover the ushering throughout the summer months. Cissy thanked Cal for covering the late service, and she is working on a schedule till years end. Art Jones and Harvey Jacobs will cover the first service.

**Music:** Glenn reported that the choir needs members. When Rob Gundlach goes on vacation a midi recorder will be used, in lieu of a guest organist. Brandon Hovermill will be asked to run this.

**Spiritual:** Nothing to report.

**Pastor's Report:**

- (1.) Members and friends will leave on Sunday 7/17 after the late service on the Youth trip, to Hiram, Ohio.
- (2.) Rev. John Roberts will cover for Rev. Cathy on Sunday July 24<sup>th</sup>.
- (3.) The first Endowment Committee meeting took place and the second one will be held on July 29<sup>th</sup>.
- (4.) Rev. Cathy will be at a seminar on August 4<sup>th</sup> thru the 6<sup>th</sup>. This will be part of her continuing education.
- (5.) Rev. Cathy had two visits, three phone calls two consults and one funeral.

**Old Business:** Glenn brought up that we should recognize not only John Strong and Bob Osburne but others departed members as well on the Memorial Board for their contributions. The Council will consider this and advise.

**New Business:** Since there are many members on vacation the next Council meeting will be on August 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment/Closing Prayer:** There being no further topics for discussion Diane made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Carl. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. after saying The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Calvin R. Gundlach  
(Recording Secretary)