

**THE UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**  
**Church Council Meeting**  
**August 26, 2014**

President Cissy Funk called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**Devotion:** The devotion was given by Cissy Funk.

**Attendance:** Diane Borkman, Jennifer Borkman, Cissy Funk, Calvin Gundlach, Karrie Hogan, Trish Jefferson, Pat Jenkins, Ric Nyborg, Rev. Cathy Oatman, Pam Sartori and Pam Connolly.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the July 8th meeting were read. A motion was made to accept the minutes with one minor change by Karrie Hogan and seconded by Jennifer Borkman. All voted in favor.

**Correspondence:** There was no correspondence for this meeting.

**Financial Report:** Pam Connolly prepared the financial report.

- Pastor's pension needs to be paid for this period.
- It was brought to everyone's attention that we are running low on available funds.
- Cissy Funk made a motion to transfer the money from Hopkins Federal passbook account and put it into our checking account with Bay Bank. We will also look into taking the CD from Eastern Savings Bank early; put half into our savings account and reinvesting the other half in a new CD. Calvin Gundlach seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

**Discussion:**

- The council discussed the wording for the ballot for the Special Congregational meeting on September 7th. It will read as follows:
  1. Continue with two services at 8a.m. and 10:30 a.m. with Church School starting at 9:15
  2. One service at 10 a.m. with Church School starting at 9 a.m.
- Cissy made a motion to remind people that they can vote absentee and either pick up a ballot or have one mailed. We will also send out an e-mail with this information. Karrie Hogan seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

**Church Committee Activity:**

**Endowment:** There will be a meeting held in September.

**Property:** The Realtor for the Parsonage contacted church regarding loose hinges on the back door. Carl will order a new door to replace the broken one if it cannot be fixed.

**Membership:** Nothing to report.

**Altar:** The Altar Committee would like to have more help so they will place "Help needed" request in the Sunday Bulletin. The grape juice has been replaced with small bottles so it does not go bad in between months.

**Fellowship:**

Oktoberfest: The council told Cissy to proceed with the outside plan.

- This year we have to submit a Security plan and the company we would go through would either have to be insured and bonded or we have to pay for 2 off duty officers at \$55 per hour per officer.
- The stage will cost us \$325 this year. We didn't have to pay this last year because the year before we

were rained out. We can get free tents to use for the day.

- The application fee for the Oktoberfest is \$125.
- We will need to continue using the beer truck since we use it as a large refrigerator for all drinks and food.
- The poster for the Oktoberfest will read rain or shine.
- We will host the Big Breakfast on September 7th and the cost will be \$8 for adults and children are free.
- We will raffle 2 Ravens tickets for the December 14th Game at \$5 per chance.
- Family Fun Bingo will be held on September 19th.
- The Church picnic will be held on September 14th.
- We will have a Movie Night on September 26th at 6 p.m. The cost of admittance will be one non-perishable food item for the Canton Food Bank. Snacks will be available for sale.

**Christian Education:** The meeting for the Christian Ed will be August 27th.

**Calendar:** Abby (our Church secretary) will update as she is notified.

**Ushering:** We need to ask for more volunteers and to update the list.

**Music:** The choir will resume on August 28th. Zumba will resume on Wednesday's once it gets cooler.

**Spiritual:** Trish Jefferson told of a church she attended once that gave out "Bags of Joy" to visitors. She thought that would be a good way to have people leave with a good feeling after service. Pastor remarked that we did that at one time but we didn't really see a great response from them. We will look into trying it again and also trying to find ways to make our church more community friendly.

**Pastor's Report:**

- We will sponsor a fund raiser for 6:8 "Improv Night" on October 4th from 8p.m to 10p.m. We will serve lite fare and beer and wine.
- As part of our 140 Good Deeds for September the picnic will be free for all members attending.
- The Youth will take charge of the Service on September 21 to tell of their experience at this year's mission trip.
- We will celebrate our year of 140 Good deeds on September 28th.
- Pastor will have 4 youth for Confirmation Class this year. Johnathan Limon, Mackenzie McWilliams, Raven Brooks, and Jillian Jenkins. Classes will start the first Wednesday in October.

**Old Business:** Margi Myrick is doing well. She is being seen by a doctor and is taking her medication. She is very grateful for the safe haven she found at our church and keeps in touch with Pastor. Everyone should feel proud for the support Margi received from our congregation. Her health became important to us all.

**New Business:** No new business at this time.

**Adjournment/ Closing Prayer:** There being no further topics for discussion Ric Nyborg made a motion to adjourn at 9:11 p.m. which was seconded by Karrie Hogan. All voted in favor. The meeting was ended with the recital of the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Diane L. Borkman  
(Recording Secretary)