

ST. JUDE'S MCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING **July 11, 2022**

Board Members Present: Tim Corbett, John Lankford, Michael Moore, Pam Hamlett, Denise Copeland. Absent, Carol Leininger.

Church Member Present: Donna Hinson

Rev. John McLaughlin opened the meeting in prayer at 5:35 p.m.

COMPLIMENTS AND CONCERNS FROM MEMBERS: Donna Hinson requested that the Girl Scout troop that meets at the church participate in our yard sale. Specifically, they would like to sell bottles of water and baked goods. It was approved by the Board.

AGENDA: The agenda was reviewed. Tim Corbett made a motion to approve the agenda and John Lankford seconded with the motion being passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June minutes were approved via email.

PASTOR'S REPORT BY REV. JOHN MCLAUGHLIN: Rev. McLaughlin presented a written report for the Board which is available in the church office.

- **Worship Services**
 - In-Person Service Average 65
 - On-Line Services FB 100 YouTube 45
 - Monday Morning Minutes YouTube 35
 - Wednesday Meditation 12

- **Grants / Donor Cultivation**
 - NEW – Rotary Club to make a donation to food ministries
 - Food Ministries – new grant cycle for 2022/2023 in March
 - NC Food Bank (shopping credit) \$8,000
 - Catherine Kennedy Home Foundation \$2,000

- **Building Expansion**
 - Michael Moore, Board representative on Expansion Committee shared that the current plan is being revised to lower the cost.

- **Media & Production System**
 - Wire & equipment cleanup; wireless mic reconfiguration
 - Ongoing upgrades and new ideas
 - Website – Denise Copeland is rebuilding site

- **Congregational News**
 - Increasing presence in-person and online
 - Blind/visually impaired outreach
 - Activities / Upcoming Activities
 - Membership class – August 14
 - ROTA training sessions – TBD
 - Bible & (Homo) sexuality class/Biblical Trauma – partnership with Mosiac Family

- **Community Presence**

- Northside Interfaith Community Center (plans to have free laundry and showers)

Tim Corbett made a motion to approve the Pastor's Report, seconded by Michael Moore and was unanimously approved.

FINANCE REPORT:

- **Tithes** – Tithes are \$7,150 below budget. (church is below water by \$5,065)
- **Expenses** - Expenses are \$1,750 over budget.

Michael Moore made a motion to approve the Finance Report, John Lankford seconded and it was unanimously approved

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Adding an outdoor shed was put on hold until expansion is revisited. Proceeding with plans for the Memorial Garden (\$2,000 has been pledged toward this).

FUNDRAISING: Shrimp-A-Roo and Chicken, too was a huge success bring in \$3,500. A Yard Sale is planned for October 8 and Oyster Roast on October 22, 2022.

STEWARDSHIP: *removed from Agenda for now*

ONGOING BUSINESS:

- Bag Lunch Program continues to pass out 100 lunches on Wednesdays and Saturdays to the homeless.
- Food Pantry serves an average of 50-60 families a week providing food for 3-5 meals.
- Expansion Update – The bid for the current plan came in at 1M and is being revised to lower the cost.
- St. Jude's Anniversary – September 4 (John Lankford to chair committee)
- Donna Merritt Anniversary – October 2 (will have a special brunch)
- Memorial Garden – Michael Moore is moving forward with a plan (\$2,000 donation)
- August 7 Food Drive – Fruit cups for Bag Lunch Program

NEW BUSINESS:

- *Nothing at this time*

CLOSING PRAYER

Meeting adjourned 6:42 p.m.