

## **Bedington United Methodist Church Council Meeting**

### **21 May, 2018**

Present were Jerry Leishman, Steve Hose, Lori Turner, Pastor Walter Bowers, Freeda Bowers, Kyle Sandy, Janet George, Gail Boarman and Gail Carter.

Jerry opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes from the April meeting were reviewed and approved.

#### **Old Business:**

- The kitchen/ fellowship hall renovation project has been rescheduled and will begin May 29. Flooring will be purchased this week at a cost of approximately \$4,500. The Methodist Ladies packed the kitchen's contents on May 19. The kitchen and fellowship hall will be painted on June 2; the flooring will be installed on June 9 during the Trustees' work day.

#### **New Business:**

- \$390 from Facebook donations will be deposited into the church safety and security project account.
- Kitchen protocol was reviewed, with the council asking those using the facilities be considerate of others by putting any items used back in their proper place and removing leftover/ unused food from the refrigerator. Labels will be provided so users can mark food with their name and the date put in the refrigerator.
- Committee reports:
  - a. The food pantry is low on food and funds- their greatest needs are canned chicken, tuna and peanut butter. A notice will be included in upcoming bulletins asking the congregation to consider supporting this ministry.
  - b. The missions summary printed with the minutes was reviewed and includes information about the Lenten project, the upcoming trip to Henderson and the community talent show scheduled for September 8.
  - c. Care Ministry is doing well.
  - d. Apples of Gold was 'amazing' and peoples' lives were changed as a result of this event.
- An Al-Anon chapter will be starting at the church on June 14.
- The safety committee has been meeting every two weeks. They have action plans in place for medical emergencies, missing children, etc. An AED unit has been purchased and installed.
- The council reviewed some of the topics in Geared Up and specifically discussed establishing a hospitality team to connect with guests when they visit our church.
- The council also discussed respectful behavior prior to the beginning of the worship service- this should be a time for reflection and quiet meditation.

Freeda closed the meeting with prayer. The next meeting will be June 18.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Carter