

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville**  
**Consistory Meeting Minutes**  
**December 5, 2018**

**Present:** Ken Biles, Harriet Boyer, Joe Ceklosky, Gail Clifford, Marlene and Peter Dadey, Naomi Dublanica, Chad Gaiser, Autumn Herbst, Priscilla Knerr, Diane and Paul Kopec, Beth Krause, Judy Leister, Katie Loomis, Anne McLain, Melissa Millard, Linda Okuniewski, Donna Pennypacker, Doug and Marianne Reinert, Judy Reitz, Brian and Connie Riker, Alan Ross, Pastor Steven Simpson, Kathy Weller, Kelly Yanos, Anita Zuber

New Members: Brenda Nonnemaker, Marsha Pingitore, Michelle Ross, Ralph Schafer, Carol Sterner, Gail Clifford

President Diane Kopec called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The members recited the mission statement, and Autumn Herbst led a brief period of devotions.

**Pastor's Report:** - *No report*

**President's Report:**

Diane Kopec thanked the outgoing members for their efforts during their terms on Consistory and introduced the new Committee chairs, deacons, and elders.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- **MOTION:** Approve the October 3, 2018, meeting minutes as presented.  
**MOTION BY:** Chad Gaiser                    **SECOND:** Marianne Reinert                    **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve the October 31, 2018, meeting minutes as presented.  
**MOTION BY:** Donna Pennypacker                    **SECOND:** Judy Reitz                    **VOTE:** All in favor

**Treasurer's Report** – *Peter Dadey*

	<u>Nov. 2018</u>	<u>2018 YTD</u>
Income	\$55,026	\$437,072
Expenses	\$42,596	\$441,707
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$12,430	(\$ 4,635)

Peter Dadey predicted that there will be a year-end surplus.

**Security Committee** – *Ken Biles*

- Fire drill evacuations have taken longer than expected. The Committee will begin conducting fire drills during the Sunday School hour.
- The committee will begin to address intruders and security.
- The "No Parking" signs seem to be effective.
- Judy Reitz requested that the Security Committee assume fire safety responsibility for the Christmas Eve candlelight service, which had previously been a function of the Worship & Music Committee.

**Budget & Finance:** – *No report*

**Christian Education ("CE")** – *Priscilla Knerr*

- The Christmas Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 9, during Sunday School hour and the 10:30 service.
- There will be no Sunday School classes on December 30.

## **Church and Ministry** – *No report*

### **Evangelism** – *Kathy Weller*

- Upcoming events:
  - 12/9/18 Christmas Tree lighting event
  - 12/20/18 Journey Through Grief
  - 12/27/18 Longwood Gardens trip
  - 1/6/19 College Students' gathering
  - 1/13/19 Men's Group (1<sup>st</sup> session)
  - 2/8/19 Ladies' Night Out
  - 1/14/19 Women's Bible Study (1<sup>st</sup> session)
  - 4/13/19 Ladies' one-day retreat
- Other events (TBD):
  - Tech Committee basic computer training
  - Knitting group
  - Bible 101

### **Facilities** - *Doug Reinert*

- The Committee will address snow removal service issues arising from the November snow storm.
- The Committee is seeking quotes for the surge protection replacement.
- Charlie Harley is ordering the radiator covers.

### **Fellowship** – *Melissa Millard*

- Although less food was prepared for the Annual Meeting luncheon, there was much left over, which Kerry Kuhn distributed to homeless people in Reading.
- A new member expressed interest in serving on the committee.
- Snacks are needed for Fellowship Hour.

### **Missions** – *Donna Pennypacker*

- Thanksgiving baskets were distributed, and preparations are being made for assembling Christmas baskets.
- The Committee participated in the Adopt-a-Family program in the Daniel Boone School District.
- The Committee will be providing some financial support to Kaitlyn Kellar's mission trip to Haiti.

### **Stewardship** – *No report*

### **Technology Committee** – *Brian Riker*

- Plans have been finalized to provide personnel to operate the sound system for the Christmas Pageant and the three Christmas Eve services.
- The 2019 sound system schedule will be available in time for the new year.
- The Committee will poll various committee heads and members for ideas on how the Committee can provide computer assistance to individuals.
- A CD creator will be installed in the office computer.

**Worship and Music** – No report

**Youth Ministry** – Priscilla Knerr

- Youth Group will periodically assist at Amity Manor on the first Wednesday of each month.
- The Group is working on securing a new Child Through Compassion.
- Upcoming events:
  - 12/5/18 Shopping for children in need
  - 12/9/18 Potato Bar
  - 12/16/18 Christmas caroling
  - 2/14/19 Winter Jam

**Deacons** - No report

**Elders** – No report

**Old Business:**

- Work on the new youth room could start as early as January 6.
- Ralph Schaeffer thanked the church for their continued support on behalf of the scout group.

**New Business:**

- Chad Gaiser will lead the January 2 devotions.
- New officers will be commissioned at the January 6 worship service.

**Expenditure Approvals:**

- **MOTION:** Approve Facilities Committee payment requests as follows:
  - \$415.59 - Halter Landscaping for snow removal service,
  - \$1,395.00 - Martin Enterprises for annual ANSUL system inspection,
  - \$63.57 - Douglassville Ace Hardware for rodent control supplies.**MOTION BY:** Doug Reinert      **SECOND:** Alan Ross      **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Worship & Music Committee payment requests as follows:
  - Up to \$40.77 for Christmas decorations,
  - \$209.98 - Concordia Supply for candles, holders, and candlelight sampler pack,
  - \$19.12 - compact discs for recording worship services.**MOTION BY:** Judy Reitz      **SECOND:** : Naomi Dublanica      **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment requests as follows:
  - \$50.00 – Monthly missionary support for Sarah Racine,
  - \$250.00 – Kaitlyn Kellar Haiti mission trip,
  - Up to \$250.00 – Reimbursement for socks provided to Veterans Making a Difference,
  - \$150.00 – Reimbursement for gift cards.**MOTION BY:** Donna Pennypacker      **SECOND:** Judy Reitz      **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve Office, Christian Education, Splash, and custodial payment requests as follows:

- \$59.18 – copy paper,
- \$77.25 – new member and baptism certificates,
- \$154.90 – postage stamps,
- Up to \$100.00 – office supplies,
- Up to \$500.00 – smart tv/stand,
- Up to \$150.00 – Splash supplies,
- Up to \$120.00 – Splash staff Christmas party,
- \$291.32 – custodial supplies

**MOTION BY:** Alan Ross

**SECOND:** Donna Pennypacker

**VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve payment of \$174.00 to Boyer’s Market for annual lunch food.

**MOTION BY:** Melissa Millard

**SECOND:** Autumn Herbst

**VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve payment of \$300.00 to supplement food for potato bar and Christmas caroling supplies.

**MOTION BY:** Priscilla Knerr

**SECOND:** Kathy Weller

**VOTE:** All in favor

**Adjournment:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.
- The next meeting of the Consistory of St. Paul’s UCC, Amityville, will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Yanos  
Recording Secretary