

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville
Consistory Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2022**

Present – Marlene Dadey, Peter Dadey, Debbie Davis, Lori Falstich, Jackie Hertzog, Judy Leister, Kay Nyman, Linda Okuniewski, Judy Reitz, Alan Ross, Michele Ross, Martha Sitler, Carol Sterner, Kathy Weller, Kelly Yanos, Anita Zuber, Pastor Steven

In place of devotions, Marlene shared a vlog she had recorded about our friend and fellow Consistory member, Gail Clifford, who passed away in late May. She will be greatly missed.

A quorum was not present, so reports were presented, but no motions were made or voted upon. In order to approve the payment of bills for the month, Anita Zuber polled all Consistory members by email with 20 members (enough for a quorum) giving their consent to pay the bills.

Pastor's Report

- Report was emailed.

President's Report

Anita Zuber, President

- None

Treasurer's Report

Peter Dadey, Treasurer

	<u>May 2022</u>	<u>YTD 2022</u>
Income	\$32,359.50	198,723.52
Expenses	<u>35,919.21</u>	<u>192,133.76</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,559.71)	6,589.76

New Business

- Alan Ross asked for suggestions of items which could be purchased using Memorial Funds. He also explained that the current Memorial Fund policy states that Memorial donations not used within 2 years be turned over to the Endowment Fund. This will be discussed at the next Consistory meeting.

Budget, Finance & Stewardship

Jackie Hertzog, Committee Chair

- No report

Christian Education

Judy Reitz, Committee Chair

- Judy reported that the committee meeting was postponed. There are currently 41 children registered for VBS.

Church and Ministry

Richard Zuber, Committee Chair

- No report.

Evangelism

Linda Okuniewski, Committee Chair

- Report emailed. Linda distributed the new church brochures and reported that the outdated Visitor Packets will be discontinued.
- The Birthday Card ministry will continue with new faith-based cards.
- Planning continues for the peach Festival, the Amity Fall Festival and for next year's Egg Hunt.

Facilities

Brian Casner, Committee Chair

- No report

Fellowship

Judy Leister, Committee Chair

- The Fellowship Committee prepared for the Ned Farnsworth Brunch on May 22. Good attendance. Thanks to all who supplied food.
- The next special event will be on June 12, the 100th Anniversary of the tornado hitting our church.

Missions

Marsha Pingitore, Brenda Haas, Committee Co-Chairs

- Report emailed.
- Committee met 5/25.
- Committee plans to use Endowment Funds to provide \$500 grants to each of two families in our congregation who have experienced unexpected hardships.
- Our church will also be working with the Caring Closet at Daniel Boone High School to collect non-perishable food items and toiletries for homeless students in the district.
- Setting up a Pen Pal program between church members and residents of Keystone Villa. Also planning Ice Cream Sundae events at Amity Manor, Birdsboro Lodge and Keystone Villa over the summer.
- St. Paul's is hosting the closing ceremony for Mission Trip Birdsboro and Beyond, and will be asking the congregation for help and desserts.
- Next meeting: June 22.

SPLASH

- Marlene emailed both her Christian Education and SPLASH reports.
- Summer SPLASH starts Monday, June 6.

Technology Committee

Kay Nyman, Committee Chair

- Report emailed
- Joe Ceklosky replaced several Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) unit batteries for the phone system and the server network room.
- From grant monies received, SPLASH purchased Chromebook laptops with mouse, Samsung Galaxy tablets, an HP Inkjet Printer and ink cartridges. Joe set them up and connected them to the church system, so they are ready to use by SPLASH staff and kids.
- Options for making the church Venmo account easily accessible on our website are on hold as the committee continues to investigate needs.
- Next meeting will be June 20.

Worship and Music

Michele Ross, Committee Chair

- Pastor Steven will be away on June 5, and Rev. David Johnson will preach and administer communion.
- Reviewed ideas and suggestions for Lenten Studies and Maundy Thursday service next year.
- Marlene has emailed a number of surveys to church families and to families of Sunday School attendees (both adult and youth) asking what times would be most acceptable for both Sunday School and for worship in the fall. Other questions asked about the number of services we should have, nursery usage, and virtual participation. The Committee feels that these are very important decisions, and we would like to hear from as many members as possible. So, a "Coffee and Conversation" will be held following worship on June 26 to give people the opportunity to discuss their ideas and feelings.
- The Committee will meet again on June 29.

Youth Ministry

Lori Falstich, Committee Chair

- Report emailed
- Had about 70 people attended brunch following the Youth led worship on 5/15. End of the year picnic was held on May 25.
- Weekly Youth Group VBS starts Wednesday June 15 from 7 – 9 pm.
- Four St. Paul's Youth will participate in MTBB.
- Giant and Redner's Gift Cards will be available again starting June 5.

Deacons

- Did not meet but have 12 volunteers signed up as Home Helpers.

Elders

- No Report

Other Committee Reports

- Fundraising Committee noted that the last day to order Quiche will be June 5.
- Also still collecting gently used purses for our fall event.

Old Business

None

New Business

- **Devotions** – for the meeting on July 6 will be given by Martha Sitler

Expenditure Approvals

- **MOTION:** Approve payment requests for Office as follows:
\$96.25 for UCC Desk Calendars for staff and Worship Committee
Up to \$130 for 3 cases (30 reams) copy paper
Up to \$120 for stamps
\$27.99 for Post-It Notes refills
- **MOTION:** Approve request for SPLASH as follows:
\$158.74 for markers, crayons, etc.
\$241.49 for playground supplies
\$300 for lunch at Vincenzo's – last day of school
Up to \$500 for supplies
- **MOTION:** Approve payment request for Christian Education as follows:
\$272.25 for books for high school and college graduates
- **MOTION:** Approve Church & Ministry payment request as follows:
\$70.00 for clearances for Pastor Steven and Amy Schafer
\$23.85 for FBI clearance for Emily Zimmerman
\$23.85 for FBI clearance for Amy Schafer
\$200 for David Johnson – supply pastor for Pentecost
- **MOTION:** Approve Facilities Committee payment request as follows:
\$4000 for cemetery mowing
\$129 for 3 cases paper towels for bathrooms
\$325 for RAM Siding
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment request as follows:
\$250 to Safe Berks

\$250 to Wycliffe Bible Translators

- **MOTION:** Approve Youth Committee payment request as follows:
\$300 for VBS supplies
- **MOTION:** Approve Evangelism payment request as follows:
\$102.81 for Peach Festival handouts
- **MOTION:** Approve Fellowship Committee payment request as follows:
\$48 for Ned Farnsworth brunch
\$25 for supplies for Tornado 100 event
- **MOTION:** Approve Technology Committee payment request as follows:
\$127.82 for 3 replacement batteries for UPS
\$192.38 for 1 battery backup and surge

MOTION BY: Alan Ross

SECOND: Jackie Hertzog

VOTE: All in favor (via email poll)

Adjournment:

- At 8:04 pm.

MOTION BY: Judy Leister

SECOND: Debbie Davis

VOTE: All in favor

- Next Consistory meeting was set for Wednesday, July 6 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Sitler
Secretary