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Deacon Minutes

December 18, 2018

Deacons Present: Todd Hopkins; Nate Kruse; Darin Svennes; Ryan Lefever; Troy Van Essen; Bret Wynja

Deacons Absent:

Others Present: Mary Morgan, Executive Pastor

Mercy, Service and Outreach

- Leaders in ministries of service
- Serve those in distress and need
- Minister to the sick, poor, hurt, and helpless
- Aid the victims of the world's abuse
- Express the social concerns of the church
- Show compassion and manifest the love and care of Christ

Benevolence Request

Darin Svennes received a request from Jeff DeYager for his Stephen Ministry care receiver who has spent some time in prison, is out, has a job, but is having a very hard time making ends meet. He recently had a medical procedure to fix a brain bleed. Jeff said rent and/or groceries would be helpful.

Approved \$250 to help with rent—to be paid to the landlord.

Pastor Discretion Fund

Nothing to report this month.

A-D Todd Hopkins Prayer Request Actions

Jay and Linda Beek are fostering to elementary-aged boys. No contact.

Tonya Brockmueller's mom, Shirley Van Peurse, is receiving chemotherapy for stage four breast cancer. Her recent scan was clear, but will finish her course of treatment. Talked with Tonya.

Sally Brondsema continues with long-term chemo infusions every 3 weeks. No contact.

Sally Brondsema's son, Dan Schlader, has multiple myeloma, an incurable, but treatable blood cancer. Sent email.

Eli, a daycare child, is currently in remission after cancer treatment. He will need to continue his treatments for another 2 years as a proactive measure. Kristi Butler, Eli's mother, is undergoing further radiation treatment for her cancer. No contact.

Debbie Carter has stage 4 lymphoma and receives periodic chemotherapy. No contact.

Gail Deckert's mom, Genevieve "Jenny" Weber, passed away 11/28/18. Sent email.

Chris & Alisha DeHaan are fostering four children. No contact.

E-H Troy Van Essen Prayer Request Actions

Jamie Egge, daughter of Sara Egge and granddaughter of Kirk & Linda Egge, is recovering from hip surgery in Sept. No contact.

Susan Endres has continued back pain. No contact.

Sandy Harms has completed her radiation treatments for breast cancer and will be on long-term hormonal therapy. No contact.

Sandy Harms' sister, Laurie, continues on long-term hormonal therapy for breast cancer.

Carissa Hanisch, daughter of Jeff & Karla Hanisch, is being treated for chronic illness. No contact.

Brenda & Curt Erikson requested prayer for their son-in-law, Dustin Headrick who was admitted to the Heart Hospital due to elevated cardiac indicators. Sent email.

I-L Darin Svenes Prayer Request Actions

Gene Knock has been at the nursing home in Garretson after suffering a stroke fell and is in the hospital. No contact.

Bev Koopman's dad, Rodney Burke, passed away recently. Talked to Brad.

Michelle Krier's cousin, Rhonda Imbery, continues to receive chemo for cancer. No contact.

Marilyn Larson was diagnosed with cancer for a 3rd time and has completed radiation treatment. No contact.

Frances Lee is in a nursing home. Sent card.

M-P Bret Wynja Prayer Request Actions

Scott Oden's mom is undergoing treatment for breast cancer. No contact.

Ron & Linda Ortman's son-in-law, Richard, is receiving long-term chemotherapy & radiation for an aggressive cancer diagnosis. Sent email.

Russ Oleson requested prayer for his nephew, Austin (Russ' sister Ginny's son). Austin was crossing a busy three lane road in Great Falls, MT and was hit by a car. He suffered major head trauma, is drifting in and out of consciousness, and is in critical condition. Please pray healing and strength for Austin and peace for his family. Sent email.

R-T Nate Kruse Prayer Request Actions

Pastor Kevin's mom, Virlene Schneider, is recovering from a heart bypass in Oct. No contact.

Rosa Schepel's pancreatic cancer has metastasized to her liver, and she has undergone chemotherapy infusion. Talked to Rosa Schelpe

Brett Smith's stepdad, Chris, has metastatic cancer. He is receiving immunotherapy treatment and periodic infusions. No contact.

Daniel and Sandra Schneider and big sister, Melanie, welcomed baby Leah Jane to their family today, 11/16/18. She is healthy, strong and doing well. No contact. Todd Hopkins talked to them.

Tammy Smith's surgery went well. Prayers for a full recovery of good health and strength are appreciated. No contact.

U-Z Ryan Lefever Prayer Request Actions

Cora Van Der Ziel at Dow Rummel. No contact.

Jan Woodruff requested prayer for a previous daycare child of hers who has some special needs and medical issues and is being bullied by kids for things she can't help. She had a brain tumor that she had surgery for and is sensitive to falls that could result in seizures if she hits her head. The kids push and hit her and yell things that no child should know. Sent email.

Stewardship

- Gather and distribute the offerings of the congregation
- Give personal attention to the distressed
- Responsible for all congregational concerns such as providing for the support of the Minister of the Word and Sacrament
- Exercising careful stewardship of all funds, goods, and properties

Stewardship of Finances

Financials – Todd Hopkins, Treasurer

Carry-over of unexpended difference in GNCC to cover future costs of cameras, vans, and playground repair? Approved.

Stewardship of Facilities and Property

Maintenance Report – Included with pre-meeting information.

Should we sell the snow blower in the garage—cannot recall the last time it was used? Sell – silent bid.

What are we doing with the Kortan memorial stone that was part of the old sign? It is behind the garage and the plan was to incorporate it into the new sign somehow. Table until spring.

Bret Wynja is presenting a quote for the carpet. Talked about it and waiting for another quote from Commercial Design, Inc. Directed Bret to check on quality and warranty. Based on the response, Bret will decide between the two.

Bret Wynja wants to talk about the acoustical panels for the worship center. Presented layout design.

Capital Asset Tracking – Update/Discuss/Make progress as a team Not discussed at this meeting.

Stewardship Education

Not discussed at this meeting.

What will the deacons do to educate people on giving in 2018?

- Ryan L is discussing options with Kayla for promotion on Social Media – update
- Working on capital assets tracking plan for our budgeting and planning purposes but also so we can help the congregation see the tangible things for which our budget is used.
- Other items to read:
<http://blog.generis.com/blog/three-ways-to-engage-the-millennial-giver-in-your-church>
Previously discussed ideas:

- Ryan Lefever saw a service where a deacon, before the offering, read a scriptural passage that taught on stewardship then gave a short response. – Needs pastor viewing/approval before doing it.
- Teaching people about where our budget goes.
- Help people understand that because we are a tithing church, that means that if you tithe, too, 1% of what you give is going to missions!

Worship

- Assist the congregation at services of worship

Proactive Planning for Communion Duties

Remaining dates are:

Monday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

Other