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Deacon Minutes February 19, 2019

Deacons Present: Todd Hopkins; Chad Kaemingk; Nate Kruse; Darin Svennes; Cory Wellnitz; 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**

#### **Pastor Discretion Fund**

## **A-D Todd Hopkins Prayer Request Actions**

Jay and Linda Beek are fostering to elementary-aged boys.

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

UPDATE 1/25/19: A family friend of Sally Brondsema's, Greyson Austin, was rushed to Mayo Clinic for removal of a blockage. Greyson battles ulcerative colitis. He had surgery, was released from Mayo and then returned a few days later as he was not doing well and still losing weight.

Sally Brondsema continues with long-term chemo infusions every 3 weeks. Scans on 1/3/19 were clear.

UPDATE: 1/25/19: Sally Brondsema's son, Dan Schlader, has multiple myeloma, an incurable, but treatable blood cancer. He had stem cells harvested on 1/21/19 and will undergo a stem cell transplant in June.

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.

SENT 2/5/19: Lisa Carson requested prayers for GNC member Lindsey Van Roekel as Lindsey's boyfriend, Jason "Jake" Kunze died unexpectedly on 2/5/19.

Debbie Carter has stage 4 lymphoma and receives periodic chemotherapy.

Chris & Alisha DeHaan are fostering four children.

### **E-H Chad Kaemingk Prayer Request Actions**

Susan Endres has continued back pain.

SENT 2/7/19: Dee Even-Brown sister and Kim Erickson's aunt passed away the first part of Feb.

UPDATE 2/15/19: The cook and one of the teacher positions have been filled at GNCC.

GNC Children's Center is in desperate need of filling 3 staff positions as of 1/7/19. Prayers for wisdom & discernment for Tammy, the director.

UPDATES sent 2/12 and 2/15: Carissa was admitted to the hospital for her chronic illness on 2/12/19 and was released on 2/15/19.

UPDATE 1/17/19: Don was released from the hospital on 1/13 & will start rehab after a triple bypass procedure on 1/9/19.

Sandy Harms has completed her radiation treatments for breast cancer and will be on long-term hormonal therapy.

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

SENT 1/24/19 – Karen Heideman's grandson, Cooper, stopped breathing and was taken to the hospital where it was termed a brief resolved unexplained event. He is home and doing well.

# **I-L Darin Svennes Prayer Request Actions**

UPDATE 12/14/18: Gene Knock fell at the nursing home on 12/13/18. He didn't break any bones but was in the hospital for a few days. Gene has been at the nursing home in Garretson after suffering a stroke.

Michelle Krier's cousin, Rhonda Imbery, continues to receive chemo for cancer.

Karen Kuiken's mom, Wilma Schelling, passed away on 1/24/19.

Marilyn Larson was diagnosed with cancer for the 3rd time and had a recent care conference.

Frances Lee is in a nursing home.

## M-P Bret Wynja Prayer Request Actions

SENT 1/28/19: Laura Minor was recently diagnosed with thyroid cancer. Waiting on an appointment with a surgeon for removal of her thyroid.

UPDATE 2/14/19: Scott Oden's mom underwent surgery for breast cancer on 2/14/19. Surgery went well.

Ron & Linda Ortman's son-in-law, Richard, has been battling an aggressive cancer diagnosis. He had a recent scan & testing in late Dec., but there was too much scar tissue to visualize the tumor & its response to treatment. Rich is no longer able to drive, has lost a lot of

weight & is quite tired and weak.

SENT 1/21/19: Ron Putzier was admitted to the hospital for pneumonia in both lungs.

#### **R-T Nate Kruse Prayer Request Actions**

SENT 1/16/19: Betty Roos' niece, Pam Kragt, was diagnosed with Hurthle thyroid cancer. She will have surgery to remove the thyroid.

SENT 1/28/19: Safe Families has had 13 intake calls in just 3 days, typically that many calls are received throughout a month. Prayers for safety for the children, SFFC staff, hosts & families.

Pastor Kevin's mom, Virlene Schneider, is recovering from a heart bypass in Oct.

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

SENT 1/22/19: Michael Schmitz, a visitor, is new to SF and asks for prayers in finding full time employment.

SENT 1/17/19: Brett & Lydia Smith's son, Logan, was hospitalized for pneumonia.

Brett Smith's stepdad, Chris, has metastatic cancer. He is receiving immunotherapy treatment and periodic infusions.

SENT 1/21/19: Lisa Stensland's 52-yo brother, Dave, had a stroke on 1/19. His speech and movement were improving 2 days later. He was going to be moved to a rehab facility on 1/24/19.

SENT 2/4/19: Ryan & Laura Thomas' friend, Lance Roseland, was diagnosed with acute promeylocytic leukemia. Lance & his wife, Abby, just moved back to SF area. He is an active military member.

#### **U-Z Cory Wellnitz Prayer Request Actions**

SENT 1/29/19: Peggy Whitney's friend, Tera Campbell, has entered hospice after a 13-month battle with pancreatic cancer.

SENT 2/7/19: Ken Wonnenberg's wife, Diane, passed away 2/7/19. She had Alzheimers and had been in a nursing home.

Cora Van Der Ziel at Dow Rummel.

# 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

#### Stewardship of Facilities and Property

Maintenance Report – Included with pre-meeting information.

Between meetings the deacons decided to expand the Children's Center cameras to include the exterior of the building and one for the receptionist. Quote included in pre-meeting information.

What are we going to do with the Kortan memorial stone that was in the old sign? It is behind the garage.

## **Stewardship Education**

Sex Trafficking Missionary Jennifer Lucking is coming to Good News on 3/31 to speak briefly during both worship services. Do the deacons want to do more with her time while she is here?

What will the deacons do to educate people on giving in 2019?

Educating people on the purpose of this year's building fund.

3 Min. Video of missionaries we support. Waiting for missions policy.

Ideas:

Meme and/or GIF for stewardship education.

# Other