

Hillsboro First United Methodist Church

Church Council Meeting

May 17, 2023

Members Present: Pastor Danny, Robert Henley, Mandy Willis, Linda Willis, Jim Bramblett, Bill Myers, Deanna Lawson, Susan McKelvey, Michael Millraney, Jamie Weaver, Bobbie Myers, Linda Grose.

Meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by Robert Henley. Prayer concerns were noted and the devotion was given by Pastor Danny. Minutes were emailed and reviewed. Motion to approve by Michael Millraney, second by Deanna Lawson.

Treasurer's Report: Current status was reviewed. Beginning balance March 1st, \$124,496.34. undesignated offerings were \$29,492.00, designated offerings, \$4518.00, interest earned, \$41.70. Undesignated expenses \$19,022.46, designated expenses \$6661.81, Ending balance on April 30th, 2023 \$134,991.33. Motion to approve by Jamie Weaver, second by Deanna Lawson.

Susan McKelvey: Easter Egg Hunt went very well. The rain caused change to the usual program so they had an indoor carnival. VBS will be June 25 from 4-6pm with a cookout to follow, and the 26-28th from 5-7:30pm. "Monumental" is the theme. Wednesday night children's programs have gone well. Last one was tonight until the fall.

Pastor Danny Freeman: Discussed membership role, Sue Willis was added and two others should be added according to Robert Henley. (Lonnie Weaver and Lynn Armer) We have 160 members, and there will be sent out an addendum to add members. (those baptized who wish to join). Should then be 168. Discussed bulletins and color vs black and white printing. Approx. \$450.00 for color and around \$100.00 for black and white. Concerned about first impressions. Also suggests altar flowers each Sunday. Suggested ideas to incorporate new people, such as pew cards, cookies, etc.

Deanna Lawson: Wants to have PPR meeting on Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:00pm.

Jamie Weaver: Trustees-looking at back door, said Larry McKelvey received a quote for a steel commercial door with key pad, with install = \$3975.00. Looking at security door with panic bar, and cameras as well. Discussion regarding security. Needs more discussion as there is some opposition about locking the church. Landscaping was discussed as well. Estimated \$2800.00 for new AV cabinet.

Michael Millraney: Doing well with offerings and budget. Our giving is ahead of budget and expenses are below budget at this time. Youth going to a play on Sunday, June 2nd will have a Lock-In for Youth. Will have snacks, movies, games, campfire. Planning a water related trip. May try Sunday evenings for youth to meet through the summer since Wednesday night programs are over with. Planning a fund raiser for the future.

Mandy Willis: Life Choices fund raiser is going on now with baby bottles. Suggested Cokesbury Hymnals.

Linda Willis: "Invest in the Best"-make backpacks for needy children of Hillsboro. All agree to continue this again this year. Father's Day will celebrate men of faith. Bible study group made treat bags for Hillsboro children graduating.

Robert Henley: Backpack balance is \$2720.73. UWF get together in July, 16th, church ladies with speaker. UMM prayer breakfast, Saturday, June 10th, will be at the Croft pavilion at 8:00am. Discussed disaffiliation, should cost around \$45,000.00 if we disaffiliate. Vote should be scheduled for September, 2023. November 15th will be the conference. Discussed having another Q & A meeting and a questionnaire for the Pastor from the DS.

Mandy Willis closed in prayer.

Adjourned at 9:05pm. Next meeting, July 19th, 6:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Grose
Recording Secretary