

## **BOARD OF DEACONS**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 7, 2021**

**Opening Prayer & Devotional:** Vicki Smith

**Members Present:** Kathy Braeuer, Cathy Black, Cynthia Floyd, Vierra Ezhevskaya, Margaret Harris, Julie Ludanyi, Coco Motley, Judy Ota, Jeanette Schwarz, Vicki Smith, Sue Thompson, Evelyn Timmins, Anne Waehner, Rev. Dan Walker and Kim Kinzler (elder).

**Session Update:** Kim Kinzler reported the following from Session's September 28th regular meeting:

1. The Mission Team is seeking grant approval for an asylum-seeking family.
2. The Earth Care Team is researching solar panels for certain areas of the church.
3. Session renewed our commitment for Family Promise.
4. Family Ministry is organizing Trunk or Treat for October 31 from 2-3:30 at the church.
5. Worship and Art scheduled the Christmas Cantata for December 12<sup>th</sup> and the Christmas Eve service is set for 5 PM.
6. Nominating Committee suggested names for new deacons are to be sent to Kristy Russell. (Kathy Braeuer will send those suggestions to Kristy as soon as possible.)

**Care Triad Handovers:**

Outgoing September Triad: Kathy, Cathy and Julie

Incoming October Triad: Evelyn, Jeanette and Vicki

**New Keep-in-Touch Call List:**

Jeanette assigned 2-3 families for each deacon to call monthly, rather than our original 8 since we are now meeting for worship in person. The elders are no longer calling their lists either. Any of our families who do transition to immediate care needs will be shared with the monthly care triad team.

**Election of New Officers for 2022:**

1. Margaret Harris – Moderator
2. Anne Waehner – Co-Moderator
3. Coco Motley - Secretary

Patty Eng is resigning from her remaining term as deacon due to time/work conflicts. We are so sorry to miss her on our board. Cynthia Floyd and Evelyn Timmins have graciously committed to continuing service as deacons for 2022.

**Additional Business:**

The baptism of Phil Kuehner is scheduled for the Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> worship service.

The Deacon Christmas Party will be set for early December; date to be announced soon.

Grief Booklet Updates: Anne Waehner sent recent updates to the board. Five booklets were sent to members in the month of September and six will go out this month.

Transportation Team Update: Coco Motley reported that Alice Sell will need rides weekly to Worship but all else is going well at this time.

**Additional Concerns and Questions:**

1. Cathy Black expressed a need for an extra person to stay with her this Saturday night for Family Promise, beginning at 8:30 PM.
2. Sue Thompson shared some thoughts about ways to quickly set up a worship via Zoom when in-person worship has to be canceled at the last minute. Discussion and ideas were shared, as well as possible technical challenges.
3. Pastor Dan offered numerous compliments on the effectiveness and willingness of the deacons to assist him in the learning process of his first three months as our Parish Associate of Care.

**Next meeting:** November 4th, 2021, at 7:00 PM by Zoom.  
Opening Prayer and Devotional: Cathy Black  
Closing Prayer: Sue Thompson

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**Adjournment:** Jeanette Schwarz adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM.

Kathy Braeuer, Secretary