

East Main Presbyterian Church - Deacon Meeting Agenda
February 20, 2024 - 6:30 PM - Fellowship Hall
Relational Meeting

Present: Howard Glass, Terry Webster, Ruth Ann Webster, Donna Miller, Gail Chutz, Mary Markley, Beth Dickey, Tom Gregg, Sue Ellen Hamilton, Tammy Shaw, Bev Bell, Nancy Hazy, Heather Hough, Bob McConnell, Jeff Weinel, Joan Weinel, Lynn Bashew, Amy Ruffo, Sandy Frederick, Larry Fleming, Carly Stillwaggon, Dorothy McMillen

Absent: Dan Ritenour, Dave Dayton, Kim Peterson, Alayna Bishop, Amy Bishop, Lisa Smith, Brady Beech, Mike Bright, Brody Whitley

The meeting was called to order. Tom Gregg welcomed everyone and prayed. Attendance was taken by acting Recording Secretary, Lynn Bashew.

Reports:

- **Minutes of December 2023 Meeting:** The minutes from the December 2023 meeting were approved and seconded (Chutz/McConnell) and the motion was unanimously approved.
- **Communion:** Bev Bell served communion to Derryl Gullo.
- **Corresponding Secretary:** Donna Miller read correspondence from:
 - Liz Evans
 - Dede Wishing (thank you for gift cards)
 - Stacy Tubbs (thank you for gift cards)
 - Nyla Kauffman (thank you for poinsettia)
 - Russell Dart's family
 - Nancy & Tom Funka
 - Linda Measel
 - Carol Ann Drake
 - Helen Reep
- **Deacon Ministry Brochure:** A new informational brochure, designed by Carly Stillwaggon, will be made available to the congregation. Tom asked for feedback and Carly will adjust the brochure before it gets printed. The brochure will hopefully raise the level of awareness of the Deacons and their ministry.

Announcements:

- **Senior Celebration:** Following last month's meeting there was further discussion on the frequency of the Senior Celebration. A motion and discussion are anticipated at the March meeting to change the Senior Celebration from 2025 to 2026 with the next to follow in 2030 and then every 5 years thereafter. Nancy Hazy will chair the next Senior Celebration.

- **Nominating Committee:** Nominations will be taken at the March meeting for a Deacons Nominating Committee Chair.
- **Widow's Luncheon:** The deacons are hosting the Widow's Luncheon on Sunday, April 14 at noon. Volunteers are needed for set-up on Saturday and to prepare food, run the dishwasher, and serve food. Please see Nancy Hazy if you can help.
- **Deacon Name Tags:** Name tags for new deacons should be here in two weeks.

Visitation Assignment Changes: Beth Dickey reported that Carol Dart has been added to the visitation list. Other changes noted in yellow on the assignment spreadsheet.

Potential Need: It was reported that Margaret Ann Lindey had a house fire. She was frightened but okay and there is extensive damage to her kitchen.

Meals: Meals are needed for the following:

- Grace Chopak (C-section scheduled for Feb. 23)—Gail Chutz will reach out to her and discuss her needs.
- Derryl Gullo (difficult recovery from a liver transplant)
- Nancy Funka—has been receiving Meals by Ginger. Heather Hough, Ann Stinson, and Becky Ryder are in touch with her.

Easter Lily Order: Nancy Hazy passed a signup sheet to staff the lily order table on March 3 and 10.

Easter gift: Tom announced that Kate Phipps has graciously knitted some Easter eggs, and everyone is welcome to distribute them on their visitation.

Deacon Mixer: The group broke into two smaller groups, and each person shared by responding to the following three questions:

- Tell the group something you've enjoyed doing recently.
- Name something you've seen God do for someone you know.
- Talk about what God has been doing in your life.

Deacon Prayer List Prayers in Small Groups: Because we were running short on time, Tom requested that the Deacons pray at home for the needs of the congregation. He asked that we add Bonnie Lin who recently had dental work and give praise that prayers are being answered regarding her health.

Next Meeting: Donna Miller volunteered to do the devotional at the next meeting, which is March 19, 2024.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Nancy Hazy to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Bob McConnell. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Bashew
Acting Secretary
East Main Church Deacons