

## **EMPC Board of Deacons Meeting Minutes**

**August 19, 2025 @ 6:30 PM ~ Fellowship Hall**

**Present:** Bev Bell, Carissa Hicks, Heather Hough, Bob McConnell, Donna Miller, Carly Stillwaggon, Lynn Bashew, Brady Beech, Diane Dixon, Howard Glass, Sue Ellen Hamilton, Nancy Hazy, Mary Markley, Dan Ritenour, Amy Thomas, Jeff Weinel, Joan Weinel

**Absent:** Alayna Bishop, Amy Bishop, Gail Chutz, Dorothy McMillen, Caley Ritenour, Lisa Smith, Brodie Whitley, Mike Bright, Sandy Fredrick, Ruth Ann Webster, Terry Webster, Holly Burcker, Tom Gregg, Mindy Isles, Sunshine Mushrush

**Welcome & Prayer:** Nancy Hazy

**Devotion:** Jeff Weinel led us in a devotion from David L. Sparks' book, "The Journal of Paul", a collection of messages on Paul's visions from God recorded in scripture.

**Minutes:** Bev Bell moved and Carissa Hicks seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2025 meeting. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Brady Beech reported that the deacons have a balance of \$594.

**Funeral Committee:** Heather Hough reported that there have been no funeral luncheons since May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Communion Served by Deacons:** Nancy Hazy reported for Gail Chutz that Gail served communion to Edna Covert.

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Donna Miller sent 12 Birthday cards, 4 Thinking of You cards, 1 Sympathy card and 1 Get Well card for a total of 18 cards.

**Drivers:** Joan Weinel reported that she and Jeff provided rides in July for 3 people. Tom Gregg has provided rides to Cathy Webb for physical therapy. Larry Fleming will drive Lois Tubbs to her optometrist. The Weinels and several other people are driving Bonnie Lin to dialysis and doctor appointments.

**Hospital Visitation:** Jeff Weinel made one hospital visit.

**Caring Meals:** Nancy Hazy reported for Gail Chutz that 23 meals, 7 desserts and 1 loaf of banana bread were delivered in July/August.

**New Babies:** Dan Ritenour reported that he and Melanie visited Carly and Donnie Sevin and their new baby, Weston, on August 19. Donna Miller will send a card to Paul and Hannah (Hughes) Azarian congratulating them on the birth of their son, Christian.

**Prayer Blanket Ministry:** Nancy Hazy reported for Jeannie Leo that no blankets have been given out over July/August.

**Fellowship Hall Greeter Sign-Up:** Nancy Hazy passed sign-up sheets for deacons to greet at the Fellowship Hall door.

**Old Business:** 1) Dan Ritenour reminded deacons to continue to send in the biographies for the Senior Celebration booklet. He asked that deacons encourage the people they visit to include stories in their biographies to make them more personal, 2) There was no report from the Nominating Committee.

**New Business:** **1)** Nancy Hazy reported that Melissa Krenzer would like a list of projects for The Church Has Left the Building scheduled for November 2<sup>nd</sup> (rain date November 9), **2)** Deacons have been asked to organize lunch for the volunteers for The Church Has Left the Building. Please let Nancy Hazy know by Wednesday, September 17 who would be willing to organize the lunch, **3)** Terry Webster has a friend who is willing to lend an electric wheelchair to someone in need. Deacons should contact Terry if they know of someone who could use it.

**Visitation Assignment Changes:** Nancy Hazy reported on updates to the Visitation list.

**Prayer List:** An addition was made to the Prayer List.

**Prayers for People Deacons Visit:** Deacons broke up into small groups to pray for people on the prayer list.

**September Devotion:** Howard Glass will lead the September devotion.

**Closing Prayer:** Nancy Hazy

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

The next meeting will be on September 16, 2025 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Markley, Substitute Secretary