

MAPLE LAKE UNITED CHURCH

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 3, 2019

Attendees: Rev. Max Ward, Albert Carpenter, Judy Carpenter, Beverly Upton, Allan Upton, Deloris Bailey, Pat Marshall, Betty Berry, Ray Campbell, Kathleen Owens, and Larry Giles.

(A)

Following our church service, and a delicious potluck lunch, Albert Carpenter called the annual general meeting of Maple Lake United Church to order. Albert welcomed everyone, and Rev. Max Ward opened the meeting with prayer.

Allan Upton moved to accept the meeting agenda for Feb. 3, 2019 as circulated. Seconded by Pat Marshall. Carried.

Ray Campbell moved to accept the minutes of Feb. 4, 2018. Seconded by Allan Upton. Carried.

(B)

All committee members agreed to serve another term in the positions previously held in 2018.

Committees and Representatives for the year 2019 are as follows:

Chair/Co-chair – Albert and Judy Carpenter

Vice Chair – unfilled

Secretary – Deloris Bailey

Treasurer – Beverly Upton

Music Director – Kathleen Owens

Ministry and Personnel – Larry Giles and Shirley Johnston

Pastoral Care – Pat Marshall

Pulpit Supply – Rev. Max Ward

Envelope Steward – Allan Upton

Presbytery Representative – Thea Patterson *

Property Chair and Assistants – Albert Carpenter, Allan Upton, and Pat Marshall

Housekeeping – Betty Berry

Outreach Representative – Thea Patterson *

Rental of Church Facility – Albert Carpenter

Worship Committee – Kathleen Owens, Albert Carpenter, and Deloris Bailey

Memorial Funds Representatives – Beverly Upton and Albert Carpenter

Trustees – Allan Upton, Judy and Albert Carpenter, Kathleen Owens

*Thea Patterson would appreciate any help from other Maple Lake church members.

(C)

Albert was told by a furnace technician, the church furnace should be good for at least another four or five years, but the oil tank will have to be replaced in the near future.

Larry Giles wondered what will happen with the stain glass windows at the Zion church. Rev. Max told him the Unified Board will decide.

(D)

Albert reported that some of the shingles on the church roof have shifted, but fortunately so far, there have been no leaks. Allan Upton told the members that Kevin Harrison said he will go up on the church roof when the snow is gone to repair the shingles.

It was discussed on what would be a good fund raiser for the church. Albert wondered if enough money could be raised if we hired an entertainer, such as an Elvis impersonator. A discussion followed, but no ideas were adopted.

Beverly had sent out an email to the members asking for input on proposed fund-raising ideas but did not receive many replies. The following are some proposals for fund-raising at Maple Lake U.C.

Saturday, February 16 – Valentine Concert

Saturday, April 20 – Ham Dinner (Easter weekend)

June? – Bake Sale in West Guilford

July – strawberry time – It was suggested to just have a strawberry social and eliminate salads.

Saturday, October 12 – Harvest Dinner (Thanksgiving weekend)

Saturday, December 7 – Bake Sale at West Guilford

Christina Barry kindly submitted her suggestions, which were presented for discussion. The Barry's offered to do a meat pie blitz. Gratefully acknowledged.

It was suggested to not have church dinners on the long weekends, but families sometimes like to come to the church dinners with their visitors, and not have to prepare meals at home. Past church dinners have been on long weekends and we have always had full capacity. It is appreciated that Merrie Barry makes personal calls to invite people to the church dinners. Rev. Max said that Merrie would probably have an idea how people respond to her calls about dinners being on long weekends.

Albert wondered about the legality of preparing food and serving it at the church. Deloris Bailey had just taken the "Food Handlers Course", and said it is the law that any food prepared and served to the general public, must be prepared in a kitchen inspected by the Health Unit. Rev. Max said that when Highland Hills U.C. has salad suppers, they post a sign stating that the food was prepared in a kitchen not inspected by the Health Unit.

Beverly encouraged everyone to think of suggestions for fund raising. She commended everyone for their contributions for the bake sales and the dinners.

Larry suggested, anything purchased by church members for Maple Lake United Church, to turn their receipts into Beverly so it can be claimed on their income tax.

Individual 2018 committee reports for Maple Lake U.C. are in the Highland Hills Pastoral Charge Annual Report 2018.

Property Report - Albert reported Maple Lake U.C., has signed a haulage agreement with Shepherd's for the next five years.

Treasurer's Report – Beverly stated there is not much we can do to control expenses. She thanked Kathleen for her donation to the church as church organist, which everyone agreed with applause. Hydro expenses are kept down by members preparing food at home. Maintenance and housekeeping are well managed. Candles, and other items needed for church services, are purchased by money from the sap bucket. Beverly suggested changing the lights on the outside cross to solar lights in the spring.

The Memorial/Building fund has doubled in the last two years.

Beverly questioned the Highland Hills Pastoral Charge Budget for 2019 concerning Maple Lake U.C.

There is an increase of \$99 each month to the Highland Hills Pastoral Charge from Maple Lake U.C. Rev. Max said there is a formula they go by to decide this increase. Beverly will write a letter to the Highland Hills Pastoral Charge questioning the monthly increase.

Larry Giles questioned lots at Carnarvon which he felt Maple Lake U.C., should have one lot. Rev. Max told him that "they" don't see it that way.

Pat Marshall made the motion to accept the reports. Seconded by Allan Upton. Carried.

Rev. Max closed the meeting with prayer.

Allan Upton moved to adjourn the meeting at 2 p.m.