



Plymouth

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

DEACONS

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 2, 2018

Attendance:

Yes	No		Yes	No	
■		Peg Birk (2020)	■		Brian Siska (2018), <i>Clerk</i>
	■	Pat Born (2018)	■		Jim van Iwaarden (2019), <i>Treasurer</i>
■		Ed Curtiss (2019)	■		Greg Zoidis (2019)
■		Katie Dillon (2018)		■	Beth Faeth, <i>Transitional Minister for Congregational Care</i>
■		Claire Kolmodin (2020), <i>Moderator</i>	■		Paula Northwood, <i>Minister for Spiritual Formation</i>
	■	Catherine Shreves (2020)			

GUESTS: None

Actions Taken:

Item 1. Minutes of the previous meeting electronically approved.

Item 2. Motion was approved to grant Paula the title of Acting Senior Minister and to approve a salary increase as recommended by the Board of Finance and Administration.

Agenda and Minutes:

Opening Meditation

Claire offered her thanks to the Deacons for our leadership in 2017.

Report of the Ministers

About 1,500 people attended Christmas eve services. The 10:45 service had the lowest attendance.

Pledges are on track with last year. Total of 473 received to date.

Paula is interested in starting a group to plan a speaker series to deliver sermons. She is also interested in looking at the Sunday schedule and space issues due to the limitations of the chapel.

Paula also has a list of people to staff a committee to plan Philip's 50th anniversary.

A small search committee has been formed to interview candidates for Programs Manager to assist in running children, youth and family programs and to assist in outreach.

Report of the Moderator

No report.

Report of the Treasurer

No report.

Update on the Transition Planning Task Force

The task force has reviewed listening work that has been done over the past few years. They have also reviewed the various roles of an interim minister. The task force is planning how and when to communicate with the congregation. They hope to have a recommendation for ministerial staffing during the transition to the Leadership Council and the Deacons by the end of January. It was agreed that an interim minister is not called, and therefore a search committee does not have to be elected by the congregation.

Other Matters

Will plan another joint meeting with the Leadership Council.

Deacons meeting schedule for 2018 may change from that of previous years.

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Next Meeting Preview

Review of CAT survey results (1/11/18)

Joint meeting with the Leadership Council (TBD)

Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Brian Siska, Clerk*