

Minutes of the Church Guidance Council (CGC)

November 3, 2024

- The meeting was called to order at 11:40 am, Jackie Benjamin presiding. Present: John McMillan, Krista Sipe, Jessica Bowles, Rick Finger, Walter Wilson, Addria Capps, Charmaine Stokes, Natasha Stracener, Rev. Rod Arters, Rev. Paul Thompson, Rhonda Hawkins, Bill Riley and Jeanie Welch.
- 2. Pastor Paul led spiritual formation, asking attendees to name the saints in their lives for All Saints' Sunday.
- 3. Jackie Benjamin asked for prayer concerns; attendees had a prayer.
- 4. Spiritual leadership:
 - a. Pastor Paul reported on the fall stewardship campaign and a letter on the weekly bulletin about \$300,000 needed to finish this year on budget. He asked CGC members to share a one-minute stewardship message to the congregation as to why they have been members of HUMC. There will be stewardship messages during the November 10 and November 17 services. Pastor Paul asked attendees to talk their Sunday School classes, small groups, etc., about stewardship. The letter will be in the next two weekly bulletins.
 - b. Jackie Benjamin continued the discussion on worship, including having one service, upgrading the lighting, and having one service during the summer. Pastor Paul suggested talking to attendees at each of the services about their opinions on worship. Worship will remain on the agenda.
- 5. Pastors' reports—Rod stated that the pickleball community had raised money for one of its members.
- 6. Jackie Benjamin reported that the staff appreciation lunch will be a pasta bar on December 9. It was suggested that the preschool staff be invited.
- 7. The CGC went into executive session.
- 8. Closing prayer by Pastor Paul
- 9. The next CGC meeting will be on December 8 at 11:45 am.
- 10. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45pm pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanie Welch

Secretary