

November Report from the Board

Board meetings open with Time for Gathering for Worship, which includes lighting the Christ Candle, recitation of the Call to Worship, sharing in the Hymn of Praise, Spirit of the Living God, a Prayer for Illumination, Scripture and Time for Reflection, and the Prayer of Invocation. Psalm 100, a psalm of thanksgiving, was our timely Scripture. Everyone around the table shared what they are thankful for this season. Beyond our individual blessings, we are so grateful for our CCC Church family and the fellowship we share! This worship experience is so powerful as we prepare for our work for the evening!

We love that the season of Advent is fast approaching! Pastor Brown noted in his report that we are transitioning from the hospitality season to the holiday season. Apple pie making, the Lake Arts event, Fiber Fest and Quilt Show, Woodcarvers Convention, Harvest Lunch and Fair Trade Bazaar, DMF Chili Dinner, and the Newcomers/Old Timers event have made for a busy fall at CCC. These are just the highlights of our community building use and fellowship activities.

The Board gave final approval to the 2020 budget as was presented to the congregation on October 27. Financial stewardship information is always on display in the Unity Room.

Because the Board does not meet in December, aspects of the Senior Pastor's compensation package are finalized so he can have personal 2020 financial planning in place by January 1.

The Board also approved transfer of general funds to five reserve funds to be in compliance with 2020 budgets for sabbatical, maintenance, audit, summer camp, and senior scholarship. It is good that we have the general fund balances to begin the new fiscal year with those reserves in place.

All our church insurance policies renew in February. The Board authorized Rusty McKay and Cliff Sloan to do comparison shopping on our insurance coverages and costs and report back at the January meeting.

CCC was gifted shares of stock, primarily AT&T, in 1977, 1983, and 1987. They have a current market value of approximately \$6,000. The Board approved a proposal to establish a reserve fund from the sale of this stock for financing future technology purchases. We currently pay \$150.33 per month on a three-year note for the last purchase of all the computers in use in the building. Using reserve account funds for future purchases and then replenishing that reserve will allow us to avoid interest payments and save money every month. Nancy Johnston was authorized to complete the stock sale.

The Property Team updated the Board on compliance issues stemming from the Camdenton city inspection completed in October. Additional surge protectors, new exit light fixtures and replacement emergency lights have been purchased for \$887. The team can do the install work on these. Cleaning and inspecting the kitchen hood and two small electrical projects need to be contracted out. The city will complete our 2020 inspection in February, and also follow up on our compliance work at that time.

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Many thanks go out this month for works of stewardship and service:

Thanks to Alex Chisholm for all his leadership on Property Team issues, and particularly for the new outdoor lighting installs.

Thanks to Don Howard, Alex Chisholm and Roger House for their work on the new Nativity display.

Thanks to Nancy Johnston and Janet Salter for completing preparations for the calling tree and implementing the test call in late October. If you did not get a call and want to be included, please call Janet at the church office, 573-346-5546.

Thanks to Vickie Hilton and Wanda Ford and all who contributed to the Fair Trade Bazaar and Harvest Luncheon, a great time of fellowship.

Thanks to DMF and their not-so-secret chefs, who make the chili supper a hearty time of food and fellowship, and a successful fund-raiser for our local charities.

Thanks to Nancy Sasseen and all the DWF supporters, who served 120 people at the Newcomers/Old Timers event just this past week!

Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

**REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE**

"The destiny of humans cannot be separated from the destiny of the Earth." Thomas Berry

DID YOU KNOW...

-Instead of buying laundry detergent in a BIG PLASTIC bottle, you can buy Seventh Generation laundry detergent in a medium-sized cardboard container at Gerbes.

-Instead of using plastic silverware and plastic coffee cups, Simple Truth brand offers coffee cups and cutlery partly made from corn, so they are sustainable, compostable, and free from the toxic chemicals found in petroleum-based products. Also, the coffee cups feature a double wall insulation, eliminating the need for a sleeve.

-To recycle cans, empty and rinse, but do not crush or flatten. No need to remove the labels.

-When recycling paper products, no need to remove paper clips, stamps, address labels, staples, tape, wire, metal fasteners, rubber bands, spiral bindings or plastic tabs.

Stewardship of God's Creation:
Our Green Chalice Covenant

Psalm 24: 1 & Colossians 1: 16-17

Lake Area Community Orchestra 2019

Community Christian Church	December 1, 2019
First Baptist Church, Eldon (7:30 p.m.)	December 3, 2019
West Lake Christian , Route O Laurie	December 8, 2019
Hope Lutheran Chapel, Osage Beach Pkwy	December 10, 2019
Versailles Royal Theatre, Versailles	December 15, 2019
Lake Ozark Christian Church Bagnell Dam Blvd, Lake Ozark	December 17, 2019

All Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. except as noted

Attention: Lost or Missing Items

We need your help. The Wedding Committee's specially made aprons should be in plastic container at church. We are hoping someone moved them or took them home to clean and forgot them. If you know or have an idea of where we should look for these special aprons please contact Jeanne Frees.

Thank you!