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Below is a list of contact numbers for members of our congregation to call if they are in need of *EMERGENCY* pastoral support.

Call list for emergency pastoral support:

St Paul UCC Oak Harbor 419-898-0852
St John UCC Genoa 419-855-3906

Visitation

If you are in need or know someone that would like a visit, please contact the office.

Mark your Calendars

May 5th Sunday School Meeting
May 18th 9:45am – 11:00 Meet & Greet
May 19th Pastor Ryan Shields Trial Sermon
June 20-21 GOBA Bicycle Food Stops
July 11-13 Rummage Sale
August 11th – Turnow Pond Service



Communion Schedule

We will be having communion of the following Sundays:

May 12th
June 9th
July 7th

Pastoral Candidate

Please review the enclosed 2 letters in regards to our recommended candidate for our new Pastor.

We plan to host a meet and greet event as a time for all of the congregation members to meet Pastor Ryan, his wife Holly, and his new daughter, Skylic. The event will take place on May 18, 2019, at 9:45AM at Trinity UCC. We will have refreshments available as we fellowship together.

A trial sermon and congregational meeting has been scheduled to elect Ryan as Trinity UCC's pastor. The trial sermon and congregational meeting are scheduled for May 19, 2019. If Ryan is elected and accepts the position, Pastor Ryan will have a tentative start date of July 1, 2019. Please use this time to pray and reflect on our recommendation and to consider the future of Trinity UCC.

Table and Chair Sign-Out

Just a reminder, with graduation and family gathering season upon us, the sign out sheet for the tables and chairs is located in the *closet across from the office*. Please contact the office to make sure you are on the list for the date you would like the tables and chairs. The **ONLY** tables that are to leave the building are the older wooden style tables. The **ONLY** chairs that are to leave the building are the wooden chairs.

Church Council Minutes

The Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston Church Council met on Monday March 11th, 2019 at 7:00 pm. Ben Sutter, President, called meeting to order and opened with prayer. Those in attendance were as follows:

President Ben Sutter, Vice President Nyla Denman, Faith Sutter, Shirley Buhro, Jennifer Laughlin, Marty Hoef, , Ken Gahler, Jayson Hayes, Brock

Hansen, Eric Gahler, Nate Diekman, Church Secretary Rhonda Mahaney, guest Dan Gahler, guest Jeff Pierron (from the Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure- GOBA), and guest Jordan Moore with Genoa Financial. Curt Reiff was absent.

Reports:

Recording Secretary: Meeting minutes from the February council meeting were read prior to the meeting by members. Motion to accept the minutes were made by Jennifer Laughlin, second by Shirley Buhro. MC.

Secretary Report:

- Discussed general account transactions

Financial Report:

- Motion to accept financial report was made by Marty Hoeft second by Nyla Denman. MC.

Pastor Report:

- Nothing new at this time

Committee Reports:

Worship

- Don Corbin
 - As of April 7st 2019, will be interim pastor
 - Discussed Don's roll as interim pastor
 - Will need to further discuss as a council with Don
- Still in need of lent service singer 3/27/19

EFY

- Potential group of individuals to discuss with new pastor what branching out will be organized into

Mission

- Friday Father Son Banquet
 - Harry Cummings speaking
- Game night and progressive dinner have been cancelled
- Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure (GOBA)- Jeff Pierron
 - Non-competitive bike ride
 - Potential food stop Thursday June 20th (between 10am-noon) and PM snack stop Friday June 21st
 - Church will need to provide 15-20 volunteers
 - Work with food stop coordinator
 - Council decides not to host both Thursday and Friday

- Will talk to missions to see if any church members are able to volunteer either day

Church & Ministry

- Nothing new at this time

Search Committee

- Actively Searching

Trustee Report

- Doors
 - Update from Dan Gahler
 - Will be done 3/12
 - Handicap switches
 - Back doors are not made by same company therefore will not touch for handicap switches
- A member of the church is donating grab handles for the restroom
 - Trustees to install
- Tom from Snows Quote in process for kitchen countertops, doors, hardware, and island
- Gym, kitchen, bathroom, and coat room floors to be redone
 - Scott Schimming
 - \$1,880 for 4 layers includes gym, kitchen, restroom, and coat room
 - Will need to bring before congregation for approval
 - Motion to bring before congregation, 1st Nate Diekman, 2nd Marty Hoeft, M.C.
- Radiators to be cleaned and boilers to be fixed in the summer

Old Business:

- Old Doors
 - Bid sheet open to public
 - \$200 opening bid
 - \$50 increments
 - Closes 3/23

New Business:

- Discussed investment account with Genoa Financial
 - Guest Jordan Moore
 - Presented year-end statement

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm by Ben Sutter.

Respectfully submitted, Faith Sutter, Recording Secretary.

Congregational Meeting

On Sunday, March 24 2019 at 1030 am, President Ben Sutter presented the congregation for approval of the floors in the gym, kitchen, restroom, and coat room to be done. The total cost exceeds \$1,500 (\$1,880), and therefore needed congregational approval. The motion was 1st by Jennifer Laughlin and 2nd by Ann Diekman. None opposed. M.C.

Treasurer's Report (approved)

General Operating Fund

Balance as of 3/1/19	\$31,474.14
Offerings/Income	\$11,753.00
Expenses	\$8,178.14
Balance as of 3/31/19	\$35,049.00

Full Financial reports are available upon request in the office and are now posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. This decision was made by council due to technology issues, not because of any other difficulty. If you have questions, please contact the office.

Benevolence

If anyone knows of an organization or individual that is in need of giving's, please let us know. Quarterly we disperse the benevolence money and are always looking for worthy causes to donate to. For the first Quarter, we donated to First UCC Shelby (tornado), International Boxing Club, St. Peter's Millbury (fire), Zion Methodist Food Pantry and many local families.

\$5 Offerings - The Missions' Team has generated a new schedule of \$5 offerings for the year. They include:

1st Sunday of Month - Supporting Church Camp
2nd Sunday of Month – Mission Team Event

3rd Sunday of Month - Supporting a local mission/need

4th Sunday of Month - Supporting an outward mission/need

5th Sunday of Month - As needed

If you have suggestions for where our 3rd or 4th week offerings could go, please let the office know.

Contingent Fund

Do you know what the Contingent Fund is used for? This is the fund that ALL building and maintenance items are paid out of. So when something breaks, we pay for it out of this fund. Ideas of other items that are paid out of the Contingent Fund include:

Maintenance work on the boilers

Light bulbs and new lights

Batteries

Paint

Parts to fix & repair things in the church

Carpet Cleaning

Snow Removal

Just to name a few

Please remember to contribute to our Contingent Fund.

Women's Fellowship

Trinity Women's Fellowship met on Thurs. April 11, 2019 at 1:00 pm. There were five present including Pastor Don. Norma began with prayer and the table blessing. Eloise H. was hostess with decorations for Easter and serving delicious cupcakes decorated and made up as Easter egg nests, along with snacks & candy.

Norma was in charge of the program – about Prayer (the mightiest force in the world) and “God Answers Prayers”.

We mainly discussed the Mother Daughter Banquet and planned the menu. It will be on Friday May 10th at 6:30 pm catered by IGA, Oak Harbor Catering Service. The menu will be: Chicken (specify white or dark meat) au gratin potatoes, macaroni & cheese, mixed vegetables, cole slaw, applesauce, rolls, and 9X13 desserts. Cost \$10.00 adults \$6.00 children 4-12 and 3 and under free. Entertainment will be a clown.

We dispensed with minutes and reports.

Evelyn S. was the Sunshine Chairman. Ina D. will be the new one. Marilyn Appelhans is

moving to an assisted living facility in KY. Our best wishes to her.

Bring in your Food Pantry Donations.

Next month we will meet on Thursday May 9th at 1:00 pm. Program – Suzanne B. Host – Ina D. Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by Suzanne Buhro, Sec.

WF Treasurer's Report	
Balance on Hand as of Jan 1	\$219.95
Offering Feb	14.00
Offering March	25.00
Rada Knives	6.00
Total Income & Balance	\$257.95
Total Expenses	\$0.00
Balance on Hand March 31	\$257.95
Savings Account	\$1,163.20

Knife (Rada) Sale

Did you know that the women's Fellowship sells wonderful knives and spatulas? My favorite is the "tomato knife". I have five of them and use them every day (sometimes all 5 are sitting by the sink to be washed as I use them so much). As the old commercial goes----"try it, you'll like it!!! Eloise Hellwig is the person to see if you are interested in purchasing a knife.

Hall Use Reservations

There are forms on the wall next to the calendar. You are now required to fill out a form for any event that you would like to have in the church (including any rollover event for holiday parties-rollover dates will be allowed, but we would like the forms filled out as well). Please do not just write it on the calendar any more. Once it is reviewed, it will be added to the calendar. If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda.

Community Markets

Please bring in your receipts and place them in the box located on the table between the North glass doors. Every little bit helps!

Service Coordinators

We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone that has assisted in making our Worship Services wonderful. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the office. For the past month, we would especially like to thank the Worship Committee and Rev. Corbin for ALL the work they have been doing!

Copies

If you would like color copies made, you don't need to travel all the way to the store anymore! With the new copier we have, we can print very nice color copies for you! We will charge \$0.50 per color copy, which is less than you would spend at the store, and \$0.05 per black & white copy. Just stop during office hours and we will help you out.

Coupons

"This month's food pantry contribution was delivered to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Elmore, OH. As always, thanks for the coupon pages out of the newspapers

~~Karen & Doug Lick

Rummage Sale

Anyone cleaning out their closets for Spring Cleaning?

We are having a rummage sale July 11th -13th .

We are coordinating with St. Marks Lutheran Church in Graytown and they already had this date arranged. We are going to have separate sales at each church but they thought we would have our sale at the same time to attract more people. We'll be doing some advertising but word of mouth is appreciated. Any leftover Children's clothes and shoes will be donated to our church's School giveaway. Possibly arranging for donating adult clothes and shoes to Zion for a giveaway with their food pantry. Please put items in the room across from the office (after the chicken BBQ is over). Any questions, please contact Karen Lick. Thank you.

Turnow Pond Service

Will be held on August 11th this year. Mark your calendars now for a fun worship time. More details to come.



Outside Information:

Vendor Show *Haiti Mission Fundraiser*

May 4, 2019 10:30 a - 12:30 p **Elliston Zion UMC**

It's a BIG party featuring Tupperware, Tastefully Simple, Norwex & Mary Kay. Come & shop to support the 2020 Haiti Mission Team! The consultants are giving the team their commission. These all make great gifts for others or yourself...

Cabbage Roll Dinner

May 5, 2019 11:30-1:00 or sold out **St. John's Rocky Ridge**

St. John Lutheran Church of Rocky Ridge is hosting a Cabbage Roll Dinner with a menu of: Cabbage roll, mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll, dessert, coffee, and beverage. There will be a free will donation with proceeds going to Solomon Lutheran School and the Lutheran Deaf Ministry of Northwest Ohio.



Thank You

“To the congregation of Trinity United Church of Christ, We cannot thank you enough for all your thoughts, prayers and donations to help us thru this time of our fire. It is greatly appreciated.”

~Sally Clark, Rod & Greg W.

“God shows His Love through the warmth and kindness of special people like you. We wanted to think everyone for your generosity, thoughts and prayers during this time in our lives. We are honored by your selfless acts and are privileged to be part of such a fantastic congregation.”

~Jessica & Anthony

“We want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for your continued support of the missions and

ministries of Impact With Hope. Your generous donation of \$500.00 will help support our missions. Your ongoing support helps us continue to bring hope to children, families and communities around the world who are facing hunger, famine, major health crisis or whose lives have been shattered by disasters.”

~Impact With Hope

Month Attendance & Offering

Date	04/07/2019
# in Attendance	68
Last Week's Current Offering	\$ 1,445.00
<i>Weekly Current Budget Needed</i>	\$ 2,715.00
<i>Budget Needed YTD</i>	\$ 38,010.00
Acutal Current Offerings YTD	\$ 29,537.05
Ahead/Behind	\$ (8,472.95)
Date	04/14/2019
# in Attendance	86
Last Week's Current Offering	\$ 3,806.00
<i>Weekly Current Budget Needed</i>	\$ 2,715.00
<i>Budget Needed YTD</i>	\$ 40,725.00
Acutal Current Offerings YTD	\$ 33,343.05
Ahead/Behind	\$ (7,381.95)
Date	04/21/2019
# in Attendance	159
Last Week's Current Offering	\$ 2,485.00
<i>Weekly Current Budget Needed</i>	\$ 2,715.00
<i>Budget Needed YTD</i>	\$ 43,440.00
Acutal Current Offerings YTD	\$ 35,828.05
Ahead/Behind	\$ (7,611.95)
Date	04/28/2019
# in Attendance	63
Last Week's Current Offering	\$ 1,441.00
<i>Weekly Current Budget Needed</i>	\$ 2,715.00
<i>Budget Needed YTD</i>	\$ 46,155.00
Acutal Current Offerings YTD	\$ 37,269.05
Ahead/Behind	\$ (8,885.95)

Trinity Youth News

Branching Out (Preschool - 1st Grade) Branching Out (2nd - 5th Grade)

We are in need of teachers to help out on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please let the office know.

Teacher Sign-ups

May 2019

May 5 th	Pre-1 st	Ashley Zimmerman
	2 nd – 5 th	Susie W. & LouAnn J.
May 12 th	Pre-1 st	
	2 nd – 5 th	Robin Hansen
May 19 th	Pre-1 st	
	2 nd – 5 th	Susie W. & LouAnn J.
May 26 th	Pre-1 st	
	2 nd – 5 th	

Branching Out/Sunday School Meeting

May 5th immediately following the service there will be a meeting with anyone interested in giving us input in what we need as far as Sunday School and how we can meet all the needs of our youth.



Greeters

If you would like to be a greeter, please contact the office and we will add you to our list of greeters. Thank you.

<u>May 2019</u>		
5 th	North	Jared Lattimore
	South	Janene Lattimore
12 th	North	Doug Lick
	South	Karen Lick
19 th	North	Dan Mathews
	South	Amy Mathews
26 th	North	Jay Hellwig
	South	Joanne Hellwig
<u>June 2019</u>		
2 nd	North	Darrell Opfer
	South	Jackie Pelton
9 th	North	Matt Perry
	South	Brianne Perry
16 th	North	Vera Sager
	South	Evelyn Schimming
23 rd	North	Doyle Sommer
	South	Helen Sommer
30 th	North	Don Weaver
	South	Bonnie Weaver
<u>July 2019</u>		
7 th	North	Fay Bolander
	South	Veronica McMongile
14 th	North	Myron Zibbel
	South	Sarah Zibbel
21 st	North	Doug Avery
	South	Michele Avery
28 th	North	John Bast
	South	Jackie Bast

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Mission

Promote Faith, Family, and Fellowship through the Father,
Son, & Holy Spirit!

Check out our website at:

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Message from the Office

By Rhonda Mahaney

As the school year is quickly coming to a close, we are looking to gather information about our graduates. Those individuals if you could please write up a little description about where you are graduating from and what your future plans are. Send them to the office. Thank you for your help.

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