

Sunday November 5, 2023

Wayne Street Congregational Meeting – State of the Church

Parker Miley – opened the meeting and reminded us that we are here to worship and not just voting.

Reports were given by the following committee members

1. Finance – Doug Whitling

The church has no loans or debt. They are looking into new software for accounting.

2024 pledge cards are being mailed out this week. The new 2024 budget will be made out based on the pledges that come in.

Doug mentioned that Wayne Street giving will come in strong as the year 2023 comes to a close.

2. Trustee – Joe Bowman

Windows and the roof are completed and thanked John Bubp for his leadership on this.

Future of Wayne Street they are looking to replace heating and cooling system at some point

Fix the steps leading from the fellowship to the eastside of the church as they are detreating.

Fix the mosaic tiles in the center way they are coming off.

Follow up on legal procedures for the church now that we are no longer UMC.

If anyone wants to be a part of the trustees please get with Joe Bowman.

3. Staff Care – Jack Miller

Supports the Senior pastor.

4. Congregational Care – Patsy Schwendeman

Provides care for the church family and the needs of the church family

This is done by sending weekly bulletins to the shut-ins. They send out birthday cards, get-well cards and memorial cards. Homebound team provides shut ins with communion each month.

Provides meals for people after surgeries, provides rides as needed.

5. Worship – Jeramiah Smith

Enhance the worship service

Choir – Looking for a director and want to provide special music during first light.

They are looking into get new TV screens for the sanctuary. They would also like to get a TV screen in the fellowship hall and in the nursery as well.

Jerimiah reminded us that the worship experience is on us as an individual. As we enter the sanctuary let us be reminded that this is God's house and we are here to praise Him.

6. Missions = Jay Shannon

We support mission projects in four areas locally, state, national and international.

There are many projects we support. Just to name a few Agape, Do Good Ministry, Henderson Settlement and Haiti. For a more information on what we support please ask a mission team member.

Currently we are in the process of supporting Operation Christmas Child by filling shoes boxes.

Our Christmas offering will go towards provide funding for Rustic Hope. We will also be collecting toys for the children. Price range \$20 to \$25.

In September we had a cookout at Armstrong Park and played kickball with the kids. It was a great time of fellowship and turnout for this event was great.

7. Vision for 2024 – 366 days – Pastor Tim Benjamin
Scripture Passage “Luke 5:1-11 Huge Catch of Fish

He touched on 5 points of bringing our best.

1. Our Prayers
2. Our Presence
3. Our Gifts
4. Our Service
5. Our Generosity – Tithing 10% to the church

He also mentioned our giving beyond 10% through local service projects and special mission projects.

The congregation will be receiving pledge cards for 2024 and to prayerfully to give God our best

Communion was taken

Vote – ballots were collected and counted.

The final results were as follows

GMC -158

Independent – 52

Undecided -13

In conclusion Wayne Street Church – now Wayne Street GMC