

NOTES FROM THE OFFICIAL BOARD  
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, DISCIPLES OF CHRIST  
March 13, 2019

The Official Board of Warrensburg First Christian Church met for their monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. We met on the second Wednesday of the month due to Ash Wednesday being on the first Wednesday of March. There was no February Board Meeting due to inclement weather.

Our General Fund checking account balance for February, including Special Funds, was \$55,439.07.

The Trustees reported that in addition to our regular monthly giving to our Construction Loan, we had a generous donation of \$5,116.94 that was applied directly toward the principal of the loan per the donor's request. The balance of our Construction Loan as of February 23, 2019, was \$109,274.18. The balance of the Trustee's Account as of February 27, 2019, was \$151,719.22.

Our World Outreach giving for January and February was \$774.53 to Basic Mission Finance, \$437.27 to the Mid-America Region, and \$145.75 to the Local Food Center.

There was a request that the Elders have regular meetings for all Elders. In addition it was suggested that when Pastor Basye retires the Elders may need to assist a new minister, so having meetings will be important.

We continuously need Best Choice bar codes to send to Woodhaven in Columbia, Missouri. We recently sent 976 bar codes to Woodhaven along with a generous monetary donation from one of our members. Woodhaven receives \$30 for every 1000 bar codes. Bar codes can be left in the coffee can on the ledge in the Parlor kitchen.

The Christian Women's Fellowship held their annual Ham and Bean Dinner on March 3. The Dinner was a success bringing in approximately \$2,000 after expenses.

The Membership and Evangelism Committee is organized to make visits for our Carnation Ministry and to prepare Coffee Fellowship during the month of March.

Our church had another fantastic "Souper Bowl" year! We contributed \$6,070.00 to the Food Center which should purchase approximately 18,210 cans of soup/food for those that need our help to provide meals for their family.

First Christian Church collected hygiene items at Dollar General South on March 2 to help with needs for the Food Center.

We provided 150 of our church flyers to the Chamber of Commerce to go in Welcome Bags for new people coming into our community.

We are advertising in the Daily Star Journal regarding our Ash Wednesday Service and our Easter week services.

The Property Committee reported temporary repairs have been made to the small heat pump unit that handles the lobby of the Christian Life Center, and we may have to consider replacement of the unit before the next heating season.

Our insurance company wants us to have disaster planning for our church which will include a fire evacuation plan.

We will be meeting with an asphalt company regarding the resurfacing of our parking lot.

We provided a Nursery during the memorial service for Jerry Evans, and also for the children of the workers at the Ham and Bean Dinner.

The Memorial Committee contributed \$3,000.00 to the Security Committee to help with their projects to secure our church. Our February balance for the Memorial account at F&C Bank was \$2,458.52. Our account balance at Quarry City Savings and Loan was \$757.52.

The Security Committee is going through Simply Safe to provide a fire detection system for the church.

The Capital Campaign pledges are coming in as pledged, and everything is going well.

We will have a video presentation for the Maundy Thursday Service of Shadows.

Due to a holiday weekend in January, inclement weather, and some health issues, we had only one Youth Group meeting on January 27 for the first month of 2019. At that meeting we had our holiday party.

February also brought about some inclement weather plus the Super Bowl football game which limited our meetings. We did make Valentines and delivered them to our members in the care centers; however, we did not take all the youth along because of the cold and flu season.

The Disciples on Campus were able to have one meeting during January, and there was a nice group with 6 young adults in attendance. Because of college class schedules of some of our DOC members, we are planning to change our meeting nights from Wednesdays to Mondays.

We have begun our annual Lenten journey. On March 6 we gathered in the Sanctuary for our Ash Wednesday Service. That is always such a good way to begin our journey toward Easter Sunday. Easter Sunday is April 21 which is about as late as it can be.

Pastor's Class leading toward baptism on Easter Sunday will begin our Sunday, March 31, from 9:30 am to 10:15 am. This class is for those youth who are second grade and above and who have not yet been baptized. The group will meet in the Pastor's office on March 31, April 7, April 14, and then they will be baptized during the 10:40 am Worship Service on April 21. During the classes we will learn about baptism and what it means, what being a Christian is all about, and many other things that will help with their journey. Pastor Basye said he always looks forward to this time with the kids.

Pastor Basye thanked everyone that helped make the Ham and Bean Dinner another success. It's overwhelming to see the turnout, the number of volunteers, and how well things always run.

Donna Elliott, Board Secretary Pro-Tem