

## **Membership and Mission Minutes, September 17, 2024**

7 pm in the resource room

OUR MISSION: The congregation of Kincardine United Church strives to be a loving, hopeful and inclusive community of faith that nurtures Christian discipleship.

PRESENT – Liz Dillman, Melinda Smegal, LouAnne Dudman, Nancy Brash, Janice McKean, Krista Ritchie

REGRETS - Charles Ludlow, Katrena Johnston

CHAIR – Liz Dillman

SECRETARY – Krista Ritchie

CALL TO ORDER at 7:05

OPENING PRAYER by Liz

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA – by consensus

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF June 18, 2024- by consensus

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

1. Stewardship Sundays – Janice McKean has volunteered to arrange monthly
2. Deck Visits. Melinda has agreed to make an announcement of the “coffee Date” concept, thus we have a new name for this event. October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup> were chosen with a window of 10-12 am. First, we will ask for those willing to host 4-5 people at their home (homes that are accessible would be best) After we have those, we will have anyone wanting to be a guest put their names in a hat and we will randomly select them for the guests! Fellowship Hall is booked in the event we have more guests than homes, and for accessibility reasons. Should the hall be needed, Krista has agreed to be the host there.
3. Council Report – A point of particular importance was shared regarding a congregational Meeting October 20 immediately following service to discuss councils’ recommendation of options for a minister. Additionally, questions have arisen from the results of the camp meeting at which the future of the building was discussed. There has been enough concern that Judy Zarubick will address this topic in this week’s service.

Orange Shirts – display the current years' orange shirt will be displayed in the sanctuary, while other year's shirts will be in fellowship hall and elsewhere.

4. Ice Cream Sundae Sunday-Oct 6, 2024. Krista can do tables and chairs, Janice can host the ice cream serving, Krista and Liz can help clean up. It is also the preserves sale.

5. Mission & Service Sunday – follow up Everyone agreed that Liz created a wonderful service fitting the guests from Community Living Perfectly. We had a few glitches but had good feedback from the congregation. \$350 was given to Community Living and the speakers, Jenny Raspberry and Catherine Evans asked that the cheque to be made to Community Living. They were excellent speakers. The special offering will be issued in a few weeks to the organization. Thank you to LouAnne for bringing this special inclusive playgroup to our attention.

6.The Blanket Exercise will happen at KDSS on October 29th at 9:30 and 12:30. Marjorie Palenshi from Waterloo is making the arrangements The cost of \$1200 will come from the outreach line of the M&M budget. The exercise will include all grade 11 students, and therefor will need to be run twice. Janice asked if it wouldn't be a good idea to have someone available to debrief anyone who might need it, following the exercise, and Kevin Hart's name came up as a good match for the task. Liz will reach out to Kevin about this.

7. What do people want and how do we find out? – Melinda suggested the answer to this question is as simple as, if people come, they want it, and if they don't, they don't want it. More casual discussion may come out as a result of Sunday's message. We will remove this item from our agenda, as it is continuous and can be an agenda item in terms of specific ideas as they come up.

8. Camp plus M and P meeting was discussed in terms of the good information shared at the meeting regarding options for our ministry leadership and concern about the future of our church building.

9. Hot Dog Lunch will be combined on November 3<sup>rd</sup> with Sundae Sunday to use up the supplies we have left over from the summer hot dog lunch.

10. Visiting Teams and card writers are being taken care of by Judy

## NEW BUSINESS

1. Assistance Fund – assist with legal fees for couple applying for citizenship amounting to \$2000 was agreed upon previously, by email.

2. 2025 Budget – needs to be prepared next month and was attached to the agenda for us to have in mind.
3. Community Service Fund amounting to \$500 was discussed and will be put on hold until December
4. White Gift Sunday will be Nov 17, 2024
5. **Motion by Nancy Brash to send \$125 to Broadview for the annual donation, seconded by LouAnne Dudman, carried.**

#### FUTURE POSSIBLE FORUMS

Women in Poverty

Reconciliation Events

Round Table with Community Partners

Interfaith Dialogue

Book Study

#### COUNCIL REP FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Next Meeting is Oct 8, 2024, at 7:00 pm

Attendee – Liz can represent M&M at this meeting, and Melinda will attend as well.

Note that if the attendee is unable to be at the meeting, please ensure someone else from M&M is there.

#### NEXT M&M MEETING

Tuesday, Oct 15, 2024, 7:00 pm. We will meet in the Resource Room.

Chair: Melinda Smegal Secretary: Janice McKean

Adjourned: 8:20

Signed,

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Krista Ritchie

