

Emanuel UCC Elders meeting notes
May 31, 2022

PRESENT: Becky Kindel (chair), Pastor Gaye Santoro, Ernie Lyons, Vaughn Daniels, Helen Tritt, Julie Weyand, Sandy Bee Lynn (taking minutes for Secretary Art Holden)

Pastor Gaye opened the meeting with a prayer.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

OLD BUSINESS: Pastor on vacation 5/1 and 5/22 - Sharon Alberson was guest pastor - "great job"; Confirmation dinner 5/13; Confirmation service 5/15 - "wonderful"; Soup kitchen 5/24 - "great turnout"; Healing service 5/29 - will do quarterly; Lunch & Learn - Will resume in the fall.

NEW BUSINESS: Graduate Recognition 6/12 - Helen bought cupcake containers for after worship social; New Horizons concert 7/10; VBS 7/31-8/2 - Helen still looking for volunteers; Church picnic 7/31 - pavilion booked; Outdoor movie 8/12; Blessing of the backpacks 8/14.

COMMUNION: June 5, 2022 - juice in the back room and Helen can help with bread; July 3, 2022 - Sandy liturgist - juice in the back room and Sandy will bring the bread.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- Discussed member needing meal assistance
- Avonlea wants to be an acolyte - will train with Lily.
- Kenny Rich takes such good care of our land and the cemetery
- Gaye and Becky talk about have a "Social Justice" group / talk about moral issues
- Blessing box (micro pantry) is thriving - doing great / Art donates \$50 for article written to help replenish
- "Thanks for letting me off two Sundays" - Pastor Gaye
- Confirmation was "great"
- Pastor Gaye looking into Appalachia Service Project for teens
- We will celebrate retirements on July 10th - Greg & Karen Foster, Peter Rich
- Two funerals - Rae Weekley, Janet Holvey

Submitted by Sandy Bee Lynn / sitting in for Art Holden, Elders Secretary