

Aldersgate United Methodist Church
Steering Committee
November 17, 2025

Present: Kaj Sinclair, chairman; Alicia Wells, Personnel; Doris Jones, Caring/secretary; Chris Brown, Growing; Mark Brady Finance; Maryann Huey and Brian Huey, Missions and Outreach; Jan Hall, lay leader; Eric Guy, pastor.

Devotion: Chris gave the devotion on keeping your focus on God regardless of problems. The Lord is our rock and He will give you strength and courage.

Accomplishments for October

Successful Taco Tuesday at Fresh Start

Everyone enjoyed the Guest singer during worship

Hosted a Peaceful Voting site for the Election

Practice has begun for the Children's Christmas Program

Strategic Planning Task Group completed their work and submitted a report

Book Buddies continues with 8 volunteers from the congregation

Streaming of our Sunday Worship Service has improved

Minutes: Minutes of the October meeting were unanimously approved as presented. Moved by Brian, seconded by Jan.

Finance: Mark reported the General Fund balance was \$12,927 at the end of October. Revenue for October was \$27,983. Expenses were \$38,330. Apportionments were fully paid on schedule. Shalom Community Impact Center is catching up after falling behind in rent payments. Mark is getting information to renew 6 month CD.

Discussion and Action Items

Using Gym by Youth Sports Group—Iowa United Urbandale Soccer team would like to use our gym for practice. It was decided to present a reduced rent rate for use of the gym.

Growing—We will advertise our advent activities. We will use banners in the yard and utilize Facebook. Brain will check with Chamber of Commerce concerning signage on Douglas Street.

Strategic Planning Task Group—Discussed task group's recommendation. Alicia made the motion to accept the task group's final recommendation and for the steering committee to communicate this information to the congregation in early January 2026. The congregation

will have the opportunity to provide feedback and make a decision regarding the recommendation. Maryann seconded. Passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: December 8, 6:30pm The steering committee will review presentation to the congregation that Alicia and Maryann will work on.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Jones, secretary