

St. Stephen's Church Council

February 15, 2023

Attendees: Merrill Zeiman, John Anderson, Vicky Jackson, Tim Thompson, John Snider, Diane Meyers, Jackie Hanson, Abby Vavra, Eric Donahue

1. Prayer
2. Question to connect: What are you doing or giving up for Lent?
3. Minutes for January 18th – approved
4. Executive Committee update –
 - a. Year in review – give away a highlight. **Next give away June 8, 2023**
 - b. The annual report is beautiful. The pictures are great.
 - c. Financial report professional and thorough
 - d. Lenten Programming –
 - i. Ubuntu is the undergirding theme
 - ii. Main theme for Lent is connecting
 - e. MRAs
 - i. Tim Gibson is the point person moving these forward
 - ii. Bubbling projects:
 1. Special offerings
 2. Solar panels
 3. Jeremy Meyers Innovation Hub
 4. Bathrooms
 5. Young Life
 6. 2nd worship service – contemporary
 - f. February activity on MRAs
 - i. Solar work – meetings
 - ii. Stewardship – has envelopes for Easter
 - iii. Funding conversation – review funding for MRAs; are we offering a good or service to raise funds; leveraging designated funds
5. Safety Committee
 - a. Meeting to happen soon
6. Eric –
 - a. Electricity varied during COVID
 - b. Capacitator work continues
7. Finance –
 - a. No budget yet;
 - b. January was a good month
8. Education –
 - a. Informative report from Mary
9. Youth –
 - a. Palm Sunday Pancakes and waffles for WAPO

10. Stewardship –
 - a. Envelopes for special offering delivered
11. Mission – report via email
12. Worship and music – report via email
13. Mission – report via email
14. Fellowship – Jumbalaya Sunday is coming
15. Inviting – no update at this time.

Other: Parent reunited with child via Dakota County expressed gratitude for the household items shared from St. Stephens. Her apartment is now a home.

Next meeting: March 15, 7:15 pm

Adjourn