

**Minutes**  
**Grace United Church Session**  
**Tuesday, January 22, 2019**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Present: Rev. Carl Emke, Paul Scott, Diane Nuttall, Gary Seidl, Nancy Abrams, Christina Gordon Charney, Marg Worth, Dianna Grier, David Charles. Shirley Clark  
Regrets: Colleen Harding, Brian Bass, Paul Harding

Quorum was present.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Led by Rev. Carl Emke

**MEDITATION:**

Dianna Grier led the meditation.  
Gary Seidl will lead the meditation for next meeting on Tuesday February 26h, 2019.

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

No report.

**REGION 12 REPORT:**

David Charles provided and reviewed a report for the new region, Eastern Ontario Outaouais Region (EORR). SEE DOCUMENT ATTACHED.

**AGENDA:**

**Motion** to adopt the Agenda  
Moved by Marg Worth .....Seconded by Nancy Abrams .....Carried

**MINUTES:**

**Review of November 27<sup>th</sup> , 2018 minutes:**  
**Motion** to accept the minutes of November 27, 2018 minutes:  
Moved by Christina Gordon Charney.....seconded by Dianna Grier..... ..Carried

**PREPARING FOR WORSHIP:**

**Ushers & Readers:**

Volunteers are: February (Nancy) and March (Marg). Dianna Grier provided the ushers and readers a printout for the month of January and we decided that this was something the volunteers should do.

**Next Communion:**

To be reviewed at our next meeting.

**Liturgical Colors:**

Green liturgical colours have been set up.

**REV. CARL'S REPORT:**

**Funerals, Baptisms, Marriages:**

Baptism request for Bode Peter Raymond Burgess, son of Peter & Lisa Burgess (which was to be Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019) is delayed until spring and to be discussed at our next meeting, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**Pastoral Care:**

Rev. Carl advised that he visited Vilma Campbell before she passed away. The service schedule is set up for Carveth every Sunday through the ministerial group, and the service schedule for Fox Run is the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month. There have been 2 funerals this year.

**OUR CHURCH AT WORK:**

**Correspondence:**

Visitor Centre request - postponed until February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please see their request attached to these minutes. SEE DOCUMENT ATTACHED.

**Outreach:**

Brian Bass was unable to attend the meeting this evening, but dropped off the card box here at the church as his term on Session is complete. Further discussion will take place at our February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**January Soup & Bun Luncheon:**

51 people attended, plus those who worked and some take home containers. Cost was \$120. \$448 was donated to Canadian Foodgrains Bank, and federal government matched our donation X 4, so a total of \$1794 donation.

Dianna Grier has setup a recipe and to do book for the kitchen for these events.

**February 10<sup>th</sup> Soup & Bun Luncheon:**

Dianna Grier and Marg Worth will convene. Proceeds will go to Gananoque Food Bank and Joanne Lancaster will be asked to come and speak.

**Nominating Committee:**

Christina Gordon Charney & Gary Seidl are members of the Nominating Committee.

Brian Bass & Diane Nuttall have completed their 3 year term.

Bill Cullen & Gordon French resigned.

Paul Scott & Dianne Grier have finished their current term, which began in September, 2018.

The following church members have been nominated to be members of Session:

Paul Scott, Dianna Grier, Rhea Roantree, Donna Norman, Joan Shaw & Charlie Donovan.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion:** to approve the fundraiser for Messy Church on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019.  
A group of local musicians to perform. Time of performance to be decided.  
Moved by: Dianne Grier.....Seconded by Nancy Abrams .....Carried.

The Session Duties portion of the Handbook has been updated and sent to members and will be sent to Laurie Cadue.

The Funeral Luncheon co-ordinator will decide if we provide a funeral luncheon and further investigation is needed, this was updated in the Handbook.

**Motion:** to approve the handbook updates, subject to review.  
Moved by: Marg Worth.....Seconded by Diane Nuttall.....Carried.

**Motion:** to nominate David Charles for Grace Church Mission & Service Enthusiast  
Moved by: Dianna Grier.....Seconded by Gary Seidl.....Carried.

**Motion:** to transfer membership of Ray & Pamela Shea to Grace United Church  
Moved by: Nancy Abrams.....Seconded by Shirley Clark.....Carried.

**Motion:** to approve the usage of the hall by Historical Society on the following dates for 2019:  
March 19, April 16, October 15 & November 19. Meetings begin at 7:30pm.  
Moved by: Christina Gordon Charney ..... Seconded by Diane Nuttall .....Carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Survey recommendations:** discuss at February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting

**Membership List Update:** Marg Worth has developed a list. We will review list at next meeting and decide on next steps. There are 398 names on the roll, 90 active members with an average of 60 attending Sunday services. We will develop an updated membership directory of active members.

**Time of Greeting:** To be discussed at February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting

**Motion to Adjourn:** Dianna Grier

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:30 pm

**Closing prayer:** Rev. Carl Emke

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Paul Scott, Chair of Session

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Shirley Clark, Clerk of Session