Membership and Mission Minutes March 19, 2024

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, Katrena Johnston, Charles Ludlow, Krista Ritchie, Melinda Smegal, Judy Zarubick

REGRETS: LouAnne Dudman

CHAIR – Liz Dillman

SECRETARY - Melinda Smegal

CALL TO ORDER by Liz at 7:04 pm

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA – accepted by consensus

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF February 20, 2024, accepted by consensus

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- 1. Coffee Time Judy will make up a sign-up sheet for April to June.
- 2. Stewardship Sundays next one is April 14th and Liz will help.
- 3. M&M Rolling Calendar April and May
 - next event is 9:45 a.m. Easter Potluck Breakfast on March 31, 2024
- 3. Book Sharing/Reading Club
 - deferred to June
- 5. Policy/procedure re disbursing funds in Assistance Fund budget We discussed this at great length. If someone needs funds, in what ways can we help besides just giving them the money? Use gift cards, pay rent directly to the landlord, e-transfer funds so it may be used for several items in several stores? Liz is going to contact Dan West, the minister at Knox, or Janice Gibson, to see how their church deals with donating money to needy people. It was suggested that each request for funds to assist a person or family, be dealt with individually/independently, because each case is unique.
- 6. February Council Report Charles reported that the new Acting Chair for KUC Council is Judy Zarubick. He also reported that Judy will be ordained at Unifor, in Port Elgin, on May 25th! We are proud of you, Judy!
- 7. Book Study talk to Greg N. for ideas
 - on hold this item will be moved to "Future Forums"
- 8. Ice Cream Sundae Sundays The next one is Sun. April 7th. Katrena will do.
- 9. Parkinson Presentation -
 - a speaker has been contacted and she provided several dates she is available
 - dates have been sent to Rev. Gord...now awaiting his input
- Easter Sunday Potluck Breakfast at 9:45 a.m. March 31, 2024 Judy will do the coffee. M&M members will set up chairs/tables and put out plates/cutlery starting at 8:45 on Easter morning.

- 11. Mission & Service Sunday
 - Date is Sept. 15
 - Discussed having Community Living come and speak about the need for updating equipment for children
 - LouAnne will get more information on this for our April M&M meeting.
- 12. Movie Night -
 - The first one was at the home of Terry Boyd & Joseph Addley, March 10^{th,} where ten people enjoyed the film and the popcorn!
 - The Group has decided to meet once a month for a movie and discussion. perhaps one Saturday afternoon/month.
 - "American Fiction" may be the next movie.

5. Blanket Exercise -

- Liz will talk to the high school about doing this in the 2024/25 school year.
- Judy will speak to someone from the "Grandmother Circle".

NEW BUSINESS

- Church Picnic Sun. June 16th, Father's Day. Liz will book Victoria Park. Programme Committee will get "Dad's Cookies" for dessert. It will be like past years..potluck lunch donations, people bring their own chairs, dishes and cutlery.
- Orange Shirts The Orange Reconciliation Shirts, we had hanging in the Sanctuary, were taken down and Judy would like to insert each one into a shirt-shaped frame to display them.
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 Food Box for a woman in need – Judy will take the needy woman, who does not drive, to the food bank this month, (March), and see how that goes. We may help with the purchase of a Good Food Box for her in April.

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 April 9, 2024, at 7:00 pm

Attendee is Charles Ludlow.

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, April 16, 2024, 7:00 pm. in person

Chair: Liz Secretary: Melinda

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.