

United Methodist Church
361 N. 8th Ave. West
Hartley, IA 51346

*February
Newsletter*



Hartley United Methodist Church Council Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2019

7:00 p.m.

Present: Ruth Hobson, Mark Dodge, Larry Espey, Don Harder, Dale Orthmann, Janelle Patton, Phil Smith, Ron Sterk, Beth Ogren, Pastor Mike Fillmore, and Pastor John Mutombo. **Guests:** Sara Dodge, David Hobson, David Christenson

Not Present: Kari Schiphoff

Ruth called the meeting to order. Pastor Mike opened the meeting with prayer.

Secretary Report: Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Janelle reviewed the financial/treasures reports Reports approved by Dale and seconded by Don. There will be another Finance Committee Meeting in the near future to continue to talk about the 2019 Budget.

SPRC Report: Nothing to report

Trustee's Report: Mark received the proposed cost of replacing the windows with Anderson Windows from Rod Rath. The estimated cost would be over \$90K. Windows with blinds inside the window panes are about \$3,200/each and without the blinds the window is approximately \$1600. These quotes do not include installation. The Trustees will look at quotes for Pella windows as well. The Trustees are to develop a plan to prioritize which windows should be replaced in what order as this will be at least a 4 year project.

Larry will explore the current "mike" problems can remedy the situation.

Discussion was held on a possible remodeling project in the foyer/lounge to develop a welcome center/coffee shop/kids corner.

Worship Report: Nothing to report

Christian Education Report: Sara Dodge reported the following dates: Last day for Wild Wednesday, April 10; Confirmation Sunday; April 28; Graduation Recognition at the Church, May 12; last day for Sunday School, May 5. VBS dates are still pending, waiting to have another meeting with everyone n Church is in charge and hosting this summer.

Evangelism Committee: The Committee with the help of Beth made a new Sign-up Sheet for before and after church coffee that is more understandable. The committee discussed "Radical Hospitality" and what that looks like and means to this congregation.

Mission Committee: Next Senior Citizen Meal is January 16th. Ruth asked Pastor Mike to talk with Pastor Lynn to announce this in his church. Beth will begin to include this information when she contacts the newspaper.

Love, Inc. is still planning on having baby furniture here for people to come by and select the items.

Ruth will contact Love Inc to determine how to set up the baby furniture store here at HUMC.

We are scheduled to serve at The Banquet in Sioux Falls with members from Trinity on March 30th.

The Rosebud Mission trip will be June 9th through June 15th. The cost is \$300/pp and includes activities, supplies, and a place to stay. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

Pastor Mike's Report: The date for the Youth Conference is March 16 & 17 to be held here at HUMC. It is be sponsored with Trinity and the Lutheran Church. It will be all day Saturday, overnight, and Sunday morning including the worship service. The event will include a Christian Band from Minneapolis, 4 local speakers with their testimonies, games, discussion, games and food!

The Sunday morning worship service will be posted "live" on our Facebook page from now on.

Next meeting date: Monday, February 11th, 7 pm.

Pastor John closed the meeting with prayer.

Minutes by Beth Ogren, reviewed by Ruth Hobson

Colossians 3:15 (NRSV)

15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.

Thank you! Kathy and I want each one of you to know how we thank God for each of you and both Churches. From the moment we arrived in July, and as the ministry in these two churches has exploded, you have loved us and cared for us. We have been able to feel your love and concern for us, and we can tell we have been in your prayers. Thank you for all the gifts you have given us during this Christmas season, you have blessed us indeed.

It is our prayer that God will continue to bless you, and keep you and your families safe, and healthy. Merry Christmas, and happy New Year! May God bless you and our churches in 2019!

Many blessings,

Pastor Mike and Kathy Fillmore

Happy 50th Anniversary

After worship on February 17th, Dennis & Elaine Dagel would like to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with the members of their church by providing a cake for everyone. Please plan on staying around after church with these newlyweds!



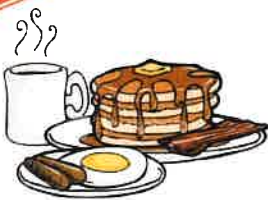
Lions Club

Pancake Breakfast

February 3rd

9 am - 1 pm

Free Will Offering



SENIOR LUNCH REQUEST

Lori Smith will host the upcoming Senior Citizen Fellowship lunch on February 20th and is hoping that someone would help her out with a salad and a dessert that day.

Please call or text Lori @ 712/348.0385.

Thank you!

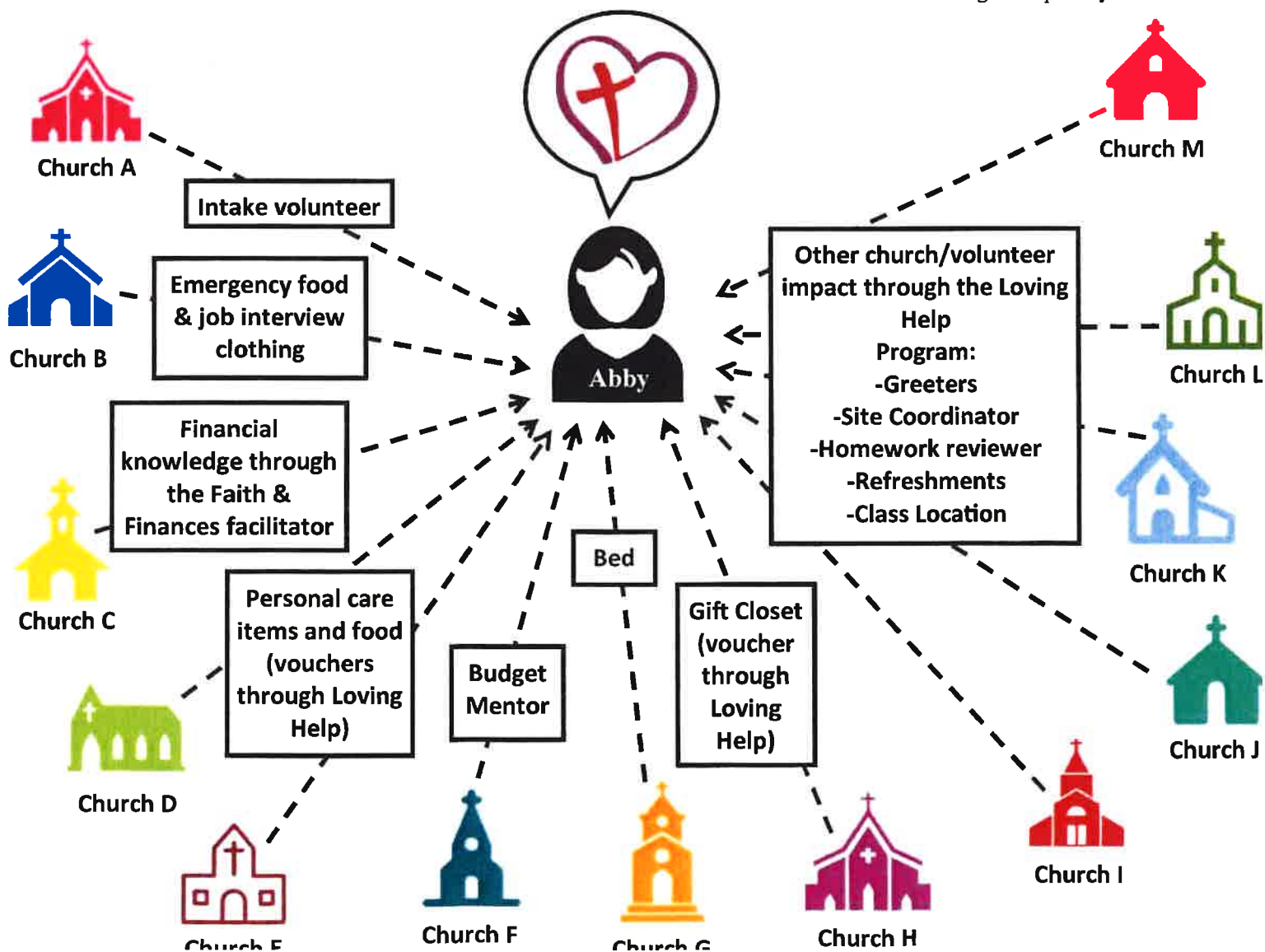
Working together, the united Church can accomplish even more!

Abby* walked into a local church mid-week, having only been in Iowa for a short time, with two requests—help with food and clothes for a job interview. The pastor who talked with Abby that day let her know that his church partners with other churches in the area through Love INC to offer assistance to people in need. During Love INC’s intake process, Abby was eager to share her story: fleeing an abusive boyfriend, excitement in being two weeks sober, and her strong desire to finally get her life together. Through the Love INC partnership of churches, Abby was connected with both the food and the job interview clothes that she needed. But her story doesn’t stop there!

A short time later, Abby asked for guidance managing her finances since gaining employment. She was connected with the Faith and Finances class through the Loving Help program and began meeting with a budget mentor once she completed the class. As part of the Loving Help community, she is surrounded weekly by supportive and encouraging Christians from many churches in O’Brien County. Abby is now attending the same church each Sunday as her budget mentor and continues to feel hope for a bright future.

Abby approached a local church for two things: food and job interview clothes but got so much more through the partnership of churches known as Love In the Name of Christ!

*name changed for privacy.



Kids Corner

Sunday School

Hello Everyone,

Sunday School has been going great! We are fortunate to start with a great new Curriculum Called "Diggin in to the Bible" The Children are going to start learning the Bible in one year!!!! We have great success with our program so far and hoping to keep expanding off of that! We are always looking for extra hands to help teach lesson! We welcome all children to participate every Sunday during the Church service.

Thank you!
April Hengeveld

PRAYER WARRIORS

Ephesians 6:18: And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

Did you know we have an email prayer group? These prayer warriors are sent any prayer concerns via email so they can lift them up. It's time to update this list of prayer warriors...if you would like to have your email address added to this group so you will receive prayer concern messages, please contact the church office (humc@tcaexpress.net) or Brenda Espey (stylesun@tcaexpress.net). This is a closed group...only those on the list will receive the prayer request messages.

And always remember...we're here to pray for you...if you have a prayer concern or joy you would like to have lifted up, please contact Pastor Mike, the church office or Brenda to have your request emailed to the group of prayer warriors!

Mission Information

2019 Mission Trip

Tree of Life Ministry

The working hands and feet of God to the Lakota Nation
Rosebud Reservation - Mission, South Dakota
June 9 - 15, 2019

Opportunities:

Construction/Remodeling
Food Distribution
Meal Services
Clothing distribution
Sewing
Medical/Nursing and Dental
Gardening
Childcare
and more...

Cost:

- ◇ \$300 per person
 - * Includes Room
 - * Materials for projects
 - * Cultural activities
- There will be partial scholarships available to help defray costs.

Please prayerfully consider participating in this trip.

A sign-up sheet is located on the Mission Table in the Entryway. Please sign-up by February 15th.


Mission Opportunities always available are the monthly donations to Love INC. and used shoe donations to Soles for Souls at Village Northwest Unlimited.

The Banquet

"The Banquet" mission opportunity on [March 30th](#), is currently filled with volunteers, if you would like your name on the wait list, please contact

Ruth Hobson.

February 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 6th - 12th Grade Students 5th Quarter | 2 7 pm, NA Meeting |
| 3 9:15 am, Adult Study 10:30 am, Worship 5 pm, Jr High Super Bowl Party NO Sr High Youth Group | 4 | 5 | 6 6:30 am, Men's Bible Study @ the Grounded 5:30 pm, Community Meal 6 pm, Wild Wednesday & Confirmation | 7 | 8 | 9 7 pm, NA Meeting |
| 10 Communion Sunday 9:15 am, Adult Study 10:30 am, Worship 5 pm, Jr High Youth Group @ 1st Reform 7 pm Sr High Youth Group | 11 6 pm, PowerPoint Mtg 7 pm, Ad Council Mtg | 12 | 13 6:30 am, Men's Bible Study @ the Grounded 5:30 pm, Community Meal 6 pm, Wild Wednesday & Confirmation | 14  | 15 | 16 7 pm, NA Meeting |
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