Lead Team Digest

MUMC’s Lead Team met on Monday, January 22. Those in attendance were Andrew Beverley (Chair), Pastor Fred, Pastor Charity, Pastor Kim and Pastor Joan, Trustees Chair Don Gruenewald, Staff/Parish team members Trudy McManus (Chair), Lisa Lenoir and Kevin Begley, Lay Members to Annual Conference: Sondra Flaker, Bryan Hartnagel and Charles Sampson, Lay Leader Mark Dressler, Church Treasurer Barbara Johnson, and Foundation President Sid Popejoy.

The Team enjoyed an update from Kate Stull on plans for an exciting children’s ministry area renovation, to be paid completely through designated funds via the Meinershagen Trust!

Kate also shared that there will be a volunteer training session on February 12 at 5:00 which will address working with children with special needs, and tips and tools for handling large classes in Christian education.

Pastor/Parish Chair Trudy McManus announced that the Children’s Ministry position has been filled. Linda Leist has answered the call to serve and will begin her new job on February 5.

Andrew Beverley reported on behalf of the Finance Team that the 2017 budget year ended on a positive note, with preliminary numbers indicating an operating surplus! The Finance Team is working to finalize a 2018 budget.

Trustees Chair Don Gruenewald announced that his team held their first meeting of the year and are proud to share emergency plan booklets for posting throughout the church facilities. They also plan on holding emergency training events through the coming year.

Andrew Beverley voiced a commitment to keep the congregation informed of church finances in 2018 through regular financial “snapshots”.

The Lead Team reviewed a draft of MUMC Facts 2017, which will be shared with the congregation as a bulletin insert. Plans are to create this fact-filled booklet each year as a means of reviewing the growth and ministries of MUMC!