

May 10, 2010

EGCC Council
Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2010

Attendees: Jim Pestana, Kristen Hardendorf, Jeanne Daggett, Ruthie Holton, Lewis Vissia, Kathy Mock, Karen Pestana, Kevin McCloskey

Scripture reading: Acts 10: 9-23 breaking traditions.

- Paired discussions of how/when we may have broken personal or family traditions
- Group discussion of going beyond traditions in our lives

Abundant Life – Bryant Waller (in abstentia)

- New member meeting and induction 05/09/2010.
- Nothing else to report

Vice Moderator – Jeanne Daggett

- Commented that the high level of activity with the church community was indicated by the quantity of announcements prior to Sunday services.

Discipleship - Lewis Vissia

- Confirmation classes will be completed in three weeks with seven students completing the course. Noted that all seven not likely to accept confirmation at this time.
- Safer Church team would like policy recommendations in their effort to deploy a practicum of the Safer Church guidelines established in 2006.

Physical Resources - Kevin McCloskey

- Kitchen renovation project proceeding with fund raising effort through 5/31/2010.
- Parsonage roof examination reveals it is not the original as feared. Estimates will be ready for 5/2010 council meeting
- Dan Mucha (DPM) will be contacted to review small electrical requirements
- Pre-school flooring (Room 2) to be inspected hoping for ½ tile and ½ carpet.

Worship and Caring – Karen Pestana

- Ice cream social to be held 5/23/2010 to celebrate Pastor Michael's sabbatical and 6-year anniversary.
- Music program will see continued variations.

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Missions and Outreach - Kristin Hardendorf

- 37 recipients for the Easter Baskets from Food Pantry
- 45 cards accompanied the baskets
- Community Kitchen outreach in Granby needs help but can only advise prospective volunteers 24-hours in advance.
- Inquiry from Ukranian children's organization will demand greater due diligence.

Spiritual Formation - Ruthie Holton

- Newly-forming men's group will hold group break fast 5/16/2010
- Becky Brown hosting monthly women's breakfast on Saturday mornings
- Ruthie will host Spiritual Formation Ministry dinner
- Seeking to define summer program to include three events
- Family with special need child very happy with the welcome received from the church.

Human Resources – Kathy Mock

- Search Committee update
 - Lewis Vissia excused from meeting
 - Lewis accepted as Director of Discipleship
 - Sara Worcester accepted as Pastor of Caring and Youth Ministries

Moderator – Jim Pestana

- To meet request for Budget inclusion in 2011 Jubilee correspondence budget drafts will have to be ready by August 16, 2010.