



## From the Pastor's Desk...

As I write this, we are busy working in our committees and groups, setting goals for our committees and making plans for next year and beyond.

We are an active, healthy church and we do a lot of work for God's Kingdom but we can't stop now. There is still much to do.

What issues are we facing? What can we do to reach out to those who are not in a church? And we know that there are a lot of people right here in Mulberry that are not in a church. What will it take to open their hearts? The Evangelism committee does a lot of great work as does the Wee Blessings preschool and the IMPACT and the youth group and I can go on. The point is that we can do more. We are called to go out and make disciples, inviting all we know to come to church. Do all your neighbors go to church? Are there needs here that we have not noticed or acted on?

Right now the confirmation classes are learning about Christ and the Church and faith and they learn from everyone not just from me. And I am challenging them too, not just you. I know that they go to schools where there are kids from unchurched families, and maybe the youth could invite other youth to come and see.

Perhaps you have already tried inviting others but they didn't come. Do you know that statistically, you have to invite an unchurched person an average of 7 times before they say yes.

And usually they have excuses of why they don't come. First of all, you can tell them you will pick them up and bring them. They don't have the fancy clothes. Not a problem here. We don't have a dress code. You may have to give

up Sunday school one week to give a ride to a new person. You can tell them of God's great love and grace.

And I have noticed that all of you are very good at greeting new people during the time of passing the peace but what about after church? Do you chat with your friends or family and forget the new person who doesn't know anyone? It is easy to forget that new person as you are making lunch plans with friends.

Take a chance. Invite a friend or a neighbor or co-worker. Invite them again. Tell them to come and see.

In Joy,  
Pastor Nancy

## **CALLING ALL YOUTH! CLAIM THE NAME!**

Confirmation means a continuation of their faith journey. Confirmation classes include an overview of the Christian faith, Scripture, history and heritage, practices, beliefs and commitments as United Methodist Christians.

This is an opportunity for youth to explore the faith and experience it through the Christian community, relationships, spiritual disciplines, service and other activities.

Class has just begun. It is not too late to join in! Bring your bible and **meet at the CHURCH Jr High class Sunday 3-4:30 p.m. and Sr High class 4:30-6 p.m.**

*CLAIM THE NAME  
UNITED METHODIST!*

## Pew Bears

Calling all teddy bears!  
And other stuffed  
animals. Youth hope to  
deliver teddy bears to the  
residents of the MHRH for Christmas.  
Please bring new or VERY gently used  
bears to sit in the pews. Feel free to  
hug, squeeze, and pray over your bear  
and any others that greet you in the  
pew on Sunday.



A tag will accompany each bundle of  
fluff telling how they have been filled  
with love and prayers. In December the  
youth will invite anyone that wishes to  
join in the fun of finding each one a  
new home with a resident at the  
retirement home.

Feel free to bring your fluff filled  
donation to sit in the pews. Thank you  
all for your support.



## UMW

The UMW met at the church on  
October 6th at 7 pm. Barb Synesael  
was our hostess and Linda Bennett  
gave devotions. We had a brief  
business meeting, discussed the  
upcoming boutique on November  
12th. A sign up sheet will be in the  
church foyer for volunteers for various  
needs on October 23rd. Please come  
and help, have a day of fellowship and  
get some Christmas shopping done!!

Betty Campbell gave a presentation  
on Civil War quilts. She passed around  
squares of quilts, told us the names of  
the quilt and read letters from the Civil  
War quilt book that she had.

We look forward to the boutique in  
November and the Christmas Auction  
in December.

Thanks

Ronnette Peden, *President*

## Greetings from Wee Blessings

Happy Autumn! We hope that you all are en-  
joying the cooler weather and the special beauty that  
this season has to offer!

It is hard to believe that we have been in school  
for over 6 weeks. The children continue to amaze us  
every day! They are working on writing their  
names, learning their phone numbers; in addition  
they work every day on letters, shapes, numbers, and  
their Bible Verses. Our class is filled with laughter,  
fun and learning.

We have started to take some of the children's  
artwork to the Mulberry library. It will be displayed  
in the children's area and we hope that whenever  
you are in the library that you will check out Wee  
Blessings artwork! The children do an amazing job  
and we are so proud of them.

I would like to thank Gail and Mark Seest and  
Mary Crow for donating such wonderful toys to Wee  
Blessings. The children have **loved** having new  
items to play and to learn with! Also to the Seest  
family, thank you for the great gourds, we will have  
great fun in art with them!

Please feel free to come and visit us anytime. If  
at any time you would like to read to the children...  
we would love it! Just drop me a note and we will  
come up with a time that works for you.

God Bless,  
Patty and Mary K



The Tuesday Morning Craft Ladies have created  
a Coupon Basket which is on the their cupboard in  
the basement. If you need a coupon feel free to take  
what you need, if you have extra coupons and would  
like to share them, please do. We don't expect  
anyone to be able to "extreme coupon" like we see  
on the TV show, but saving a little here and there is  
nice. It might also help with items that can be  
donated to the food pantry.

### Address Change

Dan & Dania Remaly have moved.  
Please make note of this new address.  
3501 S 1050 E  
Lafayette, IN 47905



I have had a really nice birthday and one of the reasons has been the fun of receiving many cards and good wishes from my church family. The cards are beautiful and are much appreciated. I am enjoying being 90!

Thanks to all of you so very much.  
Jean Sutton



Precious Church Family,

My walk to Emmaus was enhanced beyond words by your encouragement, support, prayer, and love. I thank each of you from the bottom of my joy filled heart!

Your sister in Christ,  
Deb Turner



**THANK YOU!!**

Many thanks to Betty Skiles and Rene Kemmerer for teaching the *Super Sunday* class while I was on vacation! Also thanks to Brett Simon for sharing his video on "Responsibility" with us. Hope to see you in class  
Barb Seager

*The following are past articles from the months we missed publishing. Not timely but important still.*

### Vacation Bible School

#### **PandaMania was a Huge Success**

Thanks to all who helped with VBS this year. Thanks to your hard work, VBS was a great success. Everything went smoothly and it was a wonderful experience for all of the children that attended.

Next year, VBS will be held at Trinity church and I know that we as a church family will give of our time! Thanks again!

God Bless,  
Patty

### Worship Under the Stars

It was a pleasant summer evening that found around 30 Mulberry United Methodists in the park enjoying fellowship of hotdogs and yummy carry-in dishes.

Hymns carried on the gentle breeze as voices were raised in unison. Brief histories of those that came before us, the circuit riders, homesteaders and more were told in first person readings. As the Sun began its descent, luminaries formed the shape of the cross and communion was received by all. By all accounts this was an event worth repeating and will be considered again next year.

YOU MIGHT BE A METHODIST IF...

By Robert Martin Walker

YOU KNOW THAT THE WESLEYAN  
QUADRILATERAL ISN'T A TIRCK  
FOOTBALL PLAY INVOLVING FOUR  
LATERAL PASSES.

*Wesleyan Quadrilateral: John Wesley used  
Scripture, Tradition, Reason, & Experience when  
coming to theological conclusions*

## Old Electronics...

### What To Do?

Due to new state laws, electronics can not longer go in our trash to eventually fill up the landfills. So what do we do with all those electronic gadgets? Habitat for Humanity has a partner program with Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc. This will raise money for the local Habitat program. All you need to do is take your old equipment to:

ReStore.

3815 Fortune Drive  
Lafayette, IN 47905

765-423-2585

Tue-Fri 10-6

Sat 9-3

### Accepted Items

Monitors

Video Game Consoles

UPS Batteries

Laptops

Peripherals

Copiers

TV's

Mice/Keyboards

Typewriters

Printers

PDA/Cell Phones

Cash Registers

Computers

All Computer Parts

Servers/Networking

Printers/Fax/Scanners

MP3/IPods/Etc.

Equipment

DVD/Stereos/VCR's

Phones

## MISSIONS

*Paul writes in First Corinthians 12: 4-6, There are different kinds of gifts, but the same spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working but the same God works all of them in all men."*

Our purpose as a committee is to use our special gifts to do many kinds of service and works for the Lord. We would like to keep you informed of the missions we support, so a monthly "Featured Mission" will be added.

This month's "Featured Mission" is Grace Children's Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Since 1967 Grace has been serving children with tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, malnutrition, and other diseases and injuries. Each year, the hospital receives thousands of children who are suffering. Children who are seriously ill are admitted to the sixty-bed inpatient ward, where they receive constant care from the hospital's all-Haitian staff. Both children and adults can be treated at one of Grace Children's Hospital's many outpatient clinics. People living in the slums around the hospital receive vaccinations, prenatal care, and other basic health services from specially-trained community health workers and volunteers.

There are a few of us who remember that hot, steamy day in August 2003 when we visited the hospital and met some of the children and staff. What a lasting impression! MUMC Missions has supported Grace Children's Hospital for several years and because of severe earthquake damage in 2010, our support is still greatly needed.

...and we continue our outreach with faithful support from you.

\$243.83 from the Kids' Collection to Operation Classroom in Africa for school supplies. We have done wonderful things through this "spare change" collection!

\$1300 to various missions we support annually: Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti, Strong Missions in Costa Rica, Africa University, Operation Classroom Tubman-Gray School in Liberia, Lebanon Children's Home, Bashor Children's Home, Habitat for Humanity Clinton County, and New Hope Church Clinton Prairie Back Pack Program.

This is our way, to share Christian love, whether by working on a team, giving towards a special collection, or praying for special needs. We hope you were able to attend services when our teams shared adventures at Henderson Settlement and the Bad River Reservation this summer. You may have noticed our theme of sharing Christian love. We shared stories and pictures on two separate Sundays along with songs like "They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love" and "Pass It On". We, the committee and the teams, would like to thank you for sharing your Christian love by supporting us in our many fund-raising activities. You are such cheerful givers to our work teams and special collections!

**Kids' Collection:** The United Methodist Children's Fund for Christian Mission

Total: \$1152.21 Thank you!

**Next meeting: Wednesday, November 2nd @ 7pm**

Remember, "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord"

For Missions, Deb Schutz

*May Life Always Give You Reasons To Smile And Laugh! - An Indian Blessing*

**The Four Goals of Mission:** Make disciples of Jesus Christ. Strengthen, develop and renew Christian congregations and communities. Alleviate human suffering. Seek justice, freedom and peace.

## Worship Assistants

Communion Steward: Ronnette Peden

### Traditional Service 8:45 a.m.

\*If you are unavailable on your date, please call the office at 296-3399.

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Prayer w/ Pastor</i>
11/6	Max Coffman	Mark Newhart	Rita Cornell
11/13	Wilma Howe	Mark Newhart	Wayne Walker
11/20	Amy Thayer	Mark Newhart	TBA
11/27	Jean Sutton	Mark Newhart	Wendy Simon

**Arrive 20 minutes early to greet, review the scripture, or pray with the pastor.**

### Blue Jean Service 11:00 a.m.

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Scripture Reader</i>	<i>Children's Church</i>
11/6	Jerry & Rene' Kemmerer	Pat Simon	communion
11/13	Ken & Barb Synesael	Deb Schutz	Michelle Albitz
11/20	Perry & Betty Skiles	Deb Schutz	Rene' Kemmerer
11/27	Pat Simon Family	Deb Schutz	Michelle Albitz

### Attendance & Offering

<i>Date</i>	<i>Total Attend.</i>	<i>Sun. School</i>	<i>Gen. Fund Offering</i>
7/3	128	56	\$4,451
7/10	101	57	\$2,843
7/17	102	39	\$2,125
7/24	116	51	\$2,523
7/31	124	45	\$3,138
8/7	110	45	\$3,100
8/14	109	56	\$3,394
8/21	108	55	\$3,171

\*General Fund Offering does not include money designated to specific funds, groups or activities.

### November Birthdays

11/1	Debbie Coons	11/21	Randy Thies
11/2	Jim Humrickhouse	11/22	Kristi Walker
11/5	Shawn Burton	11/23	Sydnie Kas
11/6	Melissa Cook	11/23	Marissa Kraner
11/6	Michelle Neidigh	11/23	Joanne Weber
11/11	Betty Skiles	11/24	Chrissy Drook
11/11	Ben Thayer	11/24	Rene' Kemmerer
11/13	Amanda (Hart) Miller	11/25	Denis Neidigh
11/17	Mary Caroline Bennett	11/28	Eldon Skiles
11/20	Sam Wilson		
11/21	Nancy Doyle		

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please call 296-3399

### November Wedding Anniversaries

11/5	Jerry & Wilma Fultz	11/26	Jeff & Pat Weber
11/16	Bill & Traci Patton	11/29	Dan & Carol Nagy

News Letter  
DEADLINE

**Submission  
Deadline: 15th  
each month.**

Pastor: Nancy Richmond  
Choir Director: Mary Lou Clendenning  
Pianist: Esther Creamer  
Organist: Angie Schilling  
Nursery: Sherry Coffing  
Custodian: Paul Morrison  
Admin. Asst: Wendy Simon

Traditional Worship: 8:45 am Sun  
Sunday School: 10:00 am Sun  
Blue Jean Service: 11:00 am Sun

Bible Study: call for information  
Women's Bible Study:  
Tue at 6 am at the Church  
Men's Bible Study 8 am 2nd & 4th Sat.

**Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-1:30**  
**Church Office: (765) 296-3399**  
Pastor's Home: (765) 296-3390  
Abba's Place: (765) 296-2090  
Church Email: [mlbymc@mintel.net](mailto:mlbymc@mintel.net)  
Web-site: [www.mumc-in.org](http://www.mumc-in.org)  
Food Pantry: By Appointment  
Call Church Office

Wee Blessings Preschool:  
Director & Teacher: Patty Wright  
Assistant Teacher: Mary Kay Finnerty

## Mulberry United Methodist Church Ad-Council-May 9, 2011 Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Betty Campbell, Vicki Hastings, John Harden, Ronnette Peden, Becki Farley, Deb Schutz, Nancy Doyle, Matt Simon, Jerry Fultz, Wilma Fultz, Patty Wright, Pastor Dave, Tom Simon, Barb Seager, Jade Kas

Paul was absent and Tom led the meeting in his absence. Tom opened the meeting by reading a devotional. Pastor Dave said a prayer and lit a candle.

Tom asked if there were any corrections to April meeting minutes. Barb made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Vickie seconded the motion. None opposed and the motion carried.

Wendy-Financial report. The reports are still a work in progress and not complete since the books have been recreated. Questions regarding the balance of any committee's account should be sent to Wendy.

John-Finance committee. Nothing at this time.

Matt-Trustees. Work has been done on the sump pump at the parsonage as well as the rental property. The new oven had a door that needed repaired and the work was done under warranty. The older refrigerator had a clogged drain in the freezer repaired. The old stove has been removed. Estimates on the front sidewalk are still being gathered. The chair lift has been inspected and the battery replaced.

Deb-Missions. Planning on both work teams is going well. The mission team for Henderson Settlement leaves in two weeks. The Native American mission trip is the third week of June. A collection of buckets for cleaning has begun. Stockwell will pick up the buckets on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Silent auction of gift baskets at Mulberry Fest again this year. Planning a mission trip to Haiti in 2012.

Jade-Staff Parish. The committee met on May 2. The committee spent fair amount of time talking about Pastor Dave's departure and Pastor Nancy's arrival. Pastor Dave's going away party will be at the Mulberry Lutheran Home on June 12<sup>th</sup>. June 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> are Sunday's that we will need to find our own leadership for the sermons. Pastor Nancy's first Sunday with us is July 3 but her welcome Sunday is July 10<sup>th</sup>. Tom make hospital visits and Jade will provide support for Wendy during the time we will be without a pastor.

Wilma-Memorials. Balance is \$5,920.24.

Pastor Dave-Lay Development. Pastor Nancy will be the chair of this committee and the next meeting will be in August.

Vicki-Fellowship/Worship. Carnations were provided to the mothers in the congregation on Mother's Day. The paraments and banners are very nice and Vicki has received many compliments on them.

Barb-Bridge Builders. Sent 45 cards, prepared 14 goodie boxes for college kids. Budget spent \$21.92, donations by committee \$54.00

Patty-Education. VBS will be held August 1-5 and will be co-hosted with Trinity & Gloria Dei. This year MUMC purchased the kit, will host the VBS, and Trinity will split the cost of crafts and snacks with us. Next year Trinity will purchase the kit, will host the VBS, and MUMC will split the cost of crafts and snacks with Trinity.

Wendy-Youth Group. Last movie night was a huge success. Pastor Dave has been providing the lessons. Youth Group will not meet in June but are planning on going to the movies together in June. The group needs to determine what the schedule will be for the summer. The group has regular attendance and a lot of good discussion at the meetings.

Ronnette-UMW. Barb led the meeting in April in Ronnette's absence. Last Thursday was the salad supper and approximately 80 women attended. The next meeting will be the first Thursday of June.

Tom-UMM. Attendance has been up slightly and things are going really well. There were 16 men at the last meeting.

Barb-Wee Blessings. The registration for Wee Blessings has been held. Seven signed up that day and then a couple more signed up since then. Nine is enough for Wee Blessings to continue in the fall. Family Night is this Thursday night.

Ronnette-Impact. The committee just met. A soup and sandwich dinner was held on April 28 to purchase water purifiers for folks that do not have clean water. Money was raised for 10 purifiers. Impact has ended for the year, the director has regretfully resigned.

Pastor Dave. Annual Conference will be held at Ball State. Linda and Pastor Dave will represent MUMC. The pastors have decided that there will not be a Community Service during Mulberry Fest weekend this year due to the transition of pastors at several churches. June 12 is Pastor Dave's last Sunday with us and there will be 1 service.

John the Texas property settlement has sent final notice to us and MUMC will be receiving approximately \$81,097.50. The finance committee is recommending we put the money in the general fund which we would then have to tithe on.

Deb-The Easter dinner went well. The free will offering totaled \$394 which will go towards the mission trips.

Nancy-When Pastor Dave moves out on the 13<sup>th</sup> Trustees will make repairs then cleaning needs to be done.

Matt-MUMC received a packet from the Texas property settlement that had the final dollar figure that the church will receive. Trustees propose a list of projects to be completed by putting 75,000 of the money received into a capital campaign fund for repairs & renovations. The church will also raise more money to complete everything on the list of projects. Money in this fund cannot be used for other expenses in the church. Jade asked if building a new church was still an option. It was said that this is no longer an option due to the settlement being much less than the original figure. Patty asked about purchasing a van. Pastor said-purchase of a van would need to be in a separate campaign. Ronnette motioned that \$75,000 be placed in a capital campaign fund. Patty seconded. All were in favor, motion carried. Pastor Dave will check with conference on details to purchase a van.

Jade-When activities take place at church or Abba's we need to leave the facilities as clean as we found them. Jerry is writing his job description & cleaning instructions. Approximately 60 people attended the opening of Common Grounds. The plastic chairs and tables need replaced at Abba's as they are not safe. John said- line item in the budget for Abba's, please get replacement chairs and tables at Abba's.

Wendy is willing to make the kneeling pads for the church. Wendy suggested making them out of vinyl has vinyl wears better than cloth. The cost of the material is ~\$185. Patty motioned funds for the kneeling pads be taken out of memorials. Jade seconded the motion. None opposed and the motion carried. Wendy also said the sound system needs be serviced as there is popping and cracking in the speakers. Vicki motioned a repair man be called to have it checked out. Deb seconded the motion. None opposed, motion carried.

Pastor Dave said this is his last Ad Council meeting with us and he has enjoyed our meetings tremendously. Ad Council will not meet in June and will meet again in July when Nancy is here.

Pastor Dave closed us in prayer. Minutes respectfully submitted by Becki Farley.

## Mulberry United Methodist Church Ad-Council-August 8, 2011 Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Paul Reddix, Vicki Hastings, Ronnette Peden, Rita Cornell, Barb Seager, Becki Farley, Betty Campbell, Wilma Fultz, Jerry Fultz, Nancy Doyle, John Harden, Tom Simon, Wendy Simon, Pastor Nancy

Rita opened the meeting in prayer and Paul shared a devotional.

Paul asked if the minutes had been read and if there were any corrections. John motioned to pass minutes as written Ronnette seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustees-Wendy (for Matt). Finance report is still being modified to include only necessary items. Most accounts on the report are under budget. Amy and Wendy have been working hard on the report and the report is much easier to work with and looking better. Finance committee-John: nothing at this time.

Trustees-Wendy (for Matt) there is not much to report but much is in the works. Still getting estimates and many projects will begin in September. Some of the projects include: painting the sanctuary & carpet. Also, front sidewalk & rose window bids have been accepted. PPRC-Pastor Nancy (for Jade). The committee met on the July 14 to discuss the custodial position. Three candidates submitted resumes and all three were interviewed. The candidate selected was Butch Morrison and has been offered the position. John asked what the salary would be. Pastor Nancy did not know the salary. Tom motioned to offer Butch Morrison the position. Barb seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Membership-Nancy. Current membership is 221.

Memorials-Wilma. The deposit in May was \$360. In June, \$50 was used to buy stamps. Withdrew \$230.31 to put in general fund for kneeling pads. The current balance is \$6000.44.

Lay development/nominations-Pastor Nancy. We plan to meet last part of August.

Fellowship/worship-Vicki: Father's day gifts were given out. Planning a worship picnic on September 17th at 5:00pm in the park.

Bridge Builders-Barb. In May, 33 cards were sent. Budgeted money spent \$5.80. In June, 29 cards were sent. Upper Room was sent to college kids. Budgeted money spent \$22.59. Donation by committee \$64. In July, 36 cards were sent. Budgeted money spent \$28.45.

Evangelism-Rita. Family Fun day was July 18<sup>th</sup>. 31 book bags and 25% off children's shoes coupons from Sears were given out. Rita said she is working with Joe Walker at Clinton Prairie to distribute more book bags. Joe would like to have 20 book bags delivered before school starts on Thursday. Jerry and Wilma Fultz will take the book bags to Joe at Clinton Prairie. The next project is the un-birthday party which will most likely be moved to October. Rita said the prayer walk in the community will be replaced by a prayer walk with a prayer walk within the church. Each room of the church would have prayer provided for different needs. The prayer walk within the church will be held in mid-November right before Thanksgiving. Vickie and Paul thought it sounded like a good idea. Pastor Nancy suggested using sample prayers as a model.

Youth-Wendy. Youth group on break for the summer.

UMW-Ronnette. The proceeds from the Mulberry Fest bake sale \$295.70 and the comforter \$109. UMW planned to have a picnic on September 1<sup>st</sup> but not sure it will be held due to the picnic on September 17.

UMM-Tom. Summer attendance has been down a bit. UMM is averaging 7-10 guys.

Wee Blessings-Barb. 12 kids are registered for Wee Blessings. Open house is Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup> from 1-2. Open house is when the kids and parents come and meet the staff and get used to being there. Wee Blessings begins the week of Labor Day.

Impact-Ronnette. Haven't met since May. Linda Harris has left and Shantell Fritz is the new director. Impact will start again in September. The next meeting will be September 20<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor's Report-Pastor Nancy. Unpacking and getting settled in at the parsonage. The gatherings at the parsonage have begun and have been very enjoyable. Pastor Nancy said she has really appreciated all of Wendy's help which has made the transition easier.

Confirmation classes will begin in October. There will be classes for junior high and high school. In March, they will get to go to the bishop's confirmation rally.

Wendy- Sound Advice from Lafayette came and checked out the microphones and sound system. The reason Sound Advice was called is because the old microphones are old and not working well. The estimate to replace the microphones is \$1156. Wendy said there are not enough funds in the audio visual account to cover the purchase and is requesting the special project funds be used to cover the cost of the new microphones. Wendy also said there are additional audio visual needs, but those needs will be covered later as the microphones need to be replaced now. Ronnette motioned that Wendy purchase the microphones and use \$2000 from the special project fund to cover the purchase. Wilma seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Wendy-Wendy asked if we want to collect gently used house items and clothes for Mountain Missions. The council favored this and our church will be collecting items September 26-28 and store them in the basement. The announcement will be made to the congregation 2-3 weeks ahead of time.

John-people need to be bonded if they hold a checkbook to prevent them from being sued. UMW bonded personnel at church treasurer, trustee treasurer, and UMW treasurer. Bonded folks cannot be sued and are protected. Accounts should be audited by someone other than a finance committee member. John said he spoke with the Farmers Bank and they are willing to audit our accounts for us. A question was raised asking if the church administrative assistant should be writing checks. John said Wendy cannot sign any checks and can only issue them. The council said that these topics need to be discussed further but it was noted that we need to make some changes for our own protection.

Barb-Barb expressed concern about piano the piano being in the basement. The piano is in front of the bulletin board that the preschool uses. There is also concern that the children will want to play on the piano and water has leaked in the basement as well. Wendy said she will let the trustees know and they will decide what can be done with the piano.

Paul mentioned his Sunday School class would like to purchase and mount a flat screen TV in their Sunday School room. The trustees will work with Paul and take care of mounting the TV.

Ronnette motioned for the meeting to adjourn. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Becki Farley.