

November 6, 2014 UCC Women's Fellowship Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Kathi Jensen at 10:05. Nineteen women attended. The reading, titled "Divine Musician" was given by Deanne. Minutes of the October meeting were reviewed as e-mailed and approved (Jackie, Deanne) Sylvia gave the treasurer's report with a current balance of \$14,508.33. She reported that Beda has agreed to assume treasurer duties beginning later in November as Sylvia will be gone for the winter. The treasurer's report was filed. Three of our November "birthday girls", Deanne, Barb and Sharon, were present and we also send birthday greetings to Patty and Jodi.

Teri reported on two upcoming financial donations to the Cable Area Food Shelf as well as a food donation contest between Grand View and Drummond businesses to benefit the Food Shelf. We are grateful for these and all donations. Shirley continues to send cards and well wishes from us to all in need. A card for Jodi was circulated and will be sent with our good wishes to her.

A fund balance discussion resulted in our usual donations to Solar Cookers, New Day Shelter, Back Bay Mission, Union Gospel Mission, CARE, Cable Area Food Shelf, Operation Rudolph, Brazilian Endowment for child support, and local church staff Christmas gifts. We also voted to transfer \$2500 to the Church building fund to build up a balance for future needs (e.g. new doors, furnace, water heater, dishwasher.) (Deanne, Jane) Sylvia also requested and received approval for Women's Fellowship to pay for the turkeys for the Harvest Dinner.

It was reported that John Uffenbeck has created a new website

for the church and will be launching it very soon. We are encouraged to submit items of interest to John to put on the site.

Kathi reported on the pastoral search committee progress and encouraged all to submit their surveys by 11/10 for input to our church profile.

Sign-up sheets for the Harvest Home Dinner and the 11/11 Community Dinner were reviewed. Sufficient help for each is available.

The Women's Fellowship Christmas party was discussed. It was decided to meet at noon on December 4 at the church. Delta women will be invited to join us for a lunch of soup and salad to be ordered from the Brick House. Our members will each pay \$5.00 and bring a food shelf contribution as well as a sample of Christmas goodies for dessert. Our treasury will pay for the remainder of the lunch cost. We may also meet in the morning to decorate; watch for a later communication about this.

The church has been notified that there will be no Christmas parade on December 6 this year. Due to this it has been decided that there will be no chili supper here to benefit the food shelf. Discussion was held regarding possibilities for another event for the benefit of the food shelf. No decision was reached but an event will be held sometime after the busy holiday season. Help is needed to clean up and price the many garage sale donations which have been stored in the basement of the church. It was agreed that volunteers will meet at the church on the next 2 Monday mornings at 9:00 to work on this project.

Our next gathering will be the Christmas party on December 4. Sylvia led the discussion of the book Dakota through page 65. For

our January 8 meeting we will discuss pages 66-106.

Respectfully submitted, Teri Hanson