

THALIA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 24, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm, by Mark McKinney.

In attendance: Mark McKinney, Jerry Ditty, Autaya Chaplin, Rev. Joe Varner
Christine Shultis, Barbara Jennings, John Martin, Cameron Brown and Bill
Shewchuk.

Barbara gave a reading from a book by Thomas Merton.

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Joe stated that his last Sunday having service will be June 8. The new Pastor will be here in July. We will need replacements for the remaining Sundays in June.

Joe will announce his departure, to the congregation, at the end of April.

Bill reported that the roof over the large hall is leaking. Minor patches have been done. He received two quotes; International Roof Corp quoted \$27,600.00, Beck quoted \$25,300. International Roof Corp may have materials left over from previous jobs and give to us for a reduced cost. Matter was discussed and it was recommended to accept their proposal. Payment will be due upon completion.
Motion is pending

Parsonage has list of needs. The biggest need is the HVAC unit.

John gave report that there is \$44,500.00 in savings account, and added that the roof cannot be ignored. Jerry said the HVAC in parsonage can be financed.

Mark suggested staying with East Coast for service in the parsonage. Bill recommended East Coast and International Roof and Mark asked Bill to check if we can do monthly payments. There was a motion to do both repairs and the motion passed.

Bill said that UMM want a Cleanup day on April 19th, in the morning, before the Eggspllosion. Most work will be done by UMM, with some help from the UWF.

The Day School wants to paint a mural in the hallway. The motion was passed. Cameron asked how big a space was needed for the mural. Bill will get details.

John stated that the treasury had a good month. TCI provides 8 hours of support. They are looking into cutting costs for us.

Celebrate Recovery, Micro Church funds are separate and funds are depleted. We may have to absorb costs.

John mentioned selling the parsonage. It was not decided.

Oak Grove Methodist Church will be hosting an Edges Training on March 29, 2025. Some members of the Committee will be in attendance. We will meet on April 6th to share what we learned.

Jerry suggested a Capital Campaign for specific projects for the Church, to be carried out during April and May, specifically for the roof over large hall and the HVAC in the parsonage. \$40,000 by May 4th would be helpful so as to not drain all of our savings account.

Mark mentioned that our local Police Precinct invited us to a monthly meeting at William Farms Recreation Center, the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6:30 pm.

Next meeting will be at 6:30 pm on April 28th.