

Board of Trustees Minutes
Front Street United Methodist Church
April 27, 2026

Members Present: Jim Brannock, Gayle Canaday, Emily Conner, Jan Davis, Gene Fonville, David Hedgecock, Tom Steele, Rev. Ray Warren

Members Absent: Lizzie Hill, Dex Peach

- ❖ Call to Order: Jan Davis at approximately 7:02 pm.
- ❖ Opening Prayer: Jan Davis
- ❖ Approval of January 12, 2026 Minutes: **Tom Steele made a motion to approve the January minutes. Gene Fonville seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.**
- ❖ Update—Parking lot adjacent to Duncan Exxon: Gene Fonville and Tom Steele
 - Still in process
- ❖ Buildings and Grounds Committee Updates: Gene Fonville
 - *Update on Heritage Center Room Improvements*
 - Group met twice. \$35k budget—has designated funds. May not need all funds.
 - Projections: \$5300—paint; \$6k carpet (200sq yards); \$15k—3 couches; getting quotes to reupholster chairs at round table followed by 8 red chairs as funds allow. Looking to tie back to stain glass window. Depending on remaining funds following those items will continue to update.
 - Group meets again in two weeks.
 - *Organ Pipe Repairs*
 - Organ pipe repairs have been requested and will begin in May. Should be completed first of the year. Found a second quote that is \$10k less for approximately \$26k with a company based in Durham. Pipes will be shipped through them to PA for repairs. Majority of organ will still work while the pipes are being repaired. Funded through designated funds.
 - *Parsonage Primary Bedroom's Bathroom Remodel*
 - Getting three quotes. Looking to update to match other two bathrooms updated in 2018. Will be adding a shower as part of remodel. Remodel will also include toilet, sink, vanity, flooring, and exhaust fan.
 - *Keypad for Door on Long Hall*
 - Looking to install a keypad on the door next to the playground to increase safety/security. Quote is \$1700—includes panels, keypad and wiring. Jim recommends keeping our panic panel for another door if it can't be updated to use

for this project. Will limit access to this keypad. **Jim Brannock made a motion to install keypad access to door on the long hall near the playground. David Hedgecock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

- Jim Brannock recommended reminding congregation main access points on Sunday mornings are the door by the portico and the heritage center in church communications for safety/security.

❖ Update Church Finances—Jan Davis and Rev. Warren

- Will be paying down \$291k on bank loan.
- Anticipate making budget if not attaining a surplus by the end of the year.
- Attendance is up on average, about 23 people from last year.

❖ Other:

- Next meeting July 27, 2026

❖ Closing Prayer: Rev. Ray Warren

❖ Adjourn Meeting: The meeting was adjourned by Jan Davis at 7:36pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Emily Conner, Board of Trustees Secretary