## CONSISTORY BUSINESS MEETING SYNOPSIS December 13, 2011

Present: The Rev. Dr. Charles Wiessner; Intern Pastor Nola Boezeman; Elders: Jane DeWitt, Chris Forte, David Francis, Ron Hamm, and Ed Matson; Deacons: Brooke Johnson and Mike Shafer; Clerk: Liz White; Treasurer: Peter Nickel; Consistory Elect Elder Sandi Torrant and Deacon Joe White

Motions passed during the meeting:

Approval of agenda; approval of 11/8/11 regular meeting minutes; approval of 11/13/11 special meeting minutes; approval of 11/20/11 congregation meeting minutes; approval of 11/27/11 mini-meeting minutes; approval of 11/29/11 new member meeting minutes; accept Treasurer's report for November as presented; replace the names currently on the youth group account with Peter Nickel and Becky Shafer; extend the meeting beyond 10:00 PM; pursue the effort for the U2charist; and adjournment.

## **Items of Note**

The tithe from the auction will go to the Uniting Reformed Church of Southern Africa - Stanza Bopape (Lusaka). Phops Matsepe, who visited us on two occasions, is a member of that congregation. They are trying to get funding to build a community center. We are going to establish a relationship with them to share information about the congregations.

David Francis will serve as VP of Consistory; Ed Matson will be the Classis Representative; Chris Forte will be the alternate Classis Rep, Sandi Torrant will head the Mission Committee, and Joe White will head the Building and Grounds Committee.

January 8 will be the date for installation of new consistory members.

Consistory Retreat will be held January 28. Jon Norton will not be able to attend.

Two programs will begin in February. A study of the Five Love Languages, and an Art Group to provide instruction for various art forms. Each will be open to the community.

An U2Charist (U2 Eucharist) service is being planned for the end of April.

## **Committees**

Worship. December services will be 12/18 at 6:30 PM - Blue Christmas; 12/24 at 6:30 PM, Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 12/25 in the Fellowship Hall - Breakfast at 10:30, followed by an informal worship service at 11:00. January 1 Service will include communion.

Building & Grounds. Consistory is in discussion regarding how to proceed to address the HVAC problems we have been experiencing. All options are quite expensive. Many parts of the system are 20 years old and beyond their expected life span.

Fellowship. The cookie exchange was a success. A caroling event will be December 18. There will be a luncheon December 18.

Education. The children's Christmas program and pot luck went well.

Fellowship. A shopping trip is being planned to Concord Mills outside of Charlotte.

Mission. The mission for December to provide items for adopted families. January will support RCA missionaries working in South Sudan. A mission will be added in February to support a mission trip to Nicaragua that Kirsten Ellison will be going on.

Stewardship. Envelopes are now available for 2012 giving.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2012, at 7:30 PM.