

## **DEACONS MEETING AGENDA**

3/5/2026

### **PRESENT:**

### **OPENING PRAYER:**

### **REVIEW MINUTES** of 2/5/2026:

**PRAYER CARDS:** For this meeting and possible going forward, Berkeley has offered to write our MANY prayer cards in the interest of saving time tonite and her Deacon contributions for the future. She has all cards to write from this last month. ? Others needed in the last 3 days.

**DAVID'S UPDATE:** 1) Details of "availability" during Parental Leave - ? attend Deacons Meetings, If so, are Tuesdays OK?

2) Meg and Margery's Reviews – new contracts needed?

3) New Member Classes with induction on Palm Sunday, March 29. Barbara Rowe, Ann Hallstein, Nancy Sykes, Suzie Chandler are interested. Nature of "classes" and possible welcoming potluck at coffee hour, TBD.

4) Congregational Meeting – March 8 to discuss David's Departure. Deacons and other Leaders to provide info on this transition, including a discussion on relying on Pulpit Supply (with budget implications), a bridge minister for 6 months, or an Interim while searching for a settled pastor. Establish a Search and Call team (now or in the near future?) Leslie to contact Charlotte Wright from the UCC Conference to start our transition journey. Maybe have her attend a Deacons Meeting by ZOOM?

5) TT Info needed for "Conversation Café" on March 15 with survey results, last meeting with UCC contact , incorporate info in rewriting our Church Profile.

6) Lent: "Love Has No Borders", Maundy Thursday Potluck? Followed by Reflections either in Friendship Hall or the Sanctuary. David doing? Bert is in the wings. Readers selected?

7) Anti Apartheid Pledge – Where does this fit in now? Leslie and Sherrill to start education sessions > When? Where? Incorporate into our Church Profile. Goal is to affirm Pledge at May's Congregational Meeting. Wendy to put on the Agenda.

**PASTORAL COVERAGE:** April settled. Worship Team(some) working on May and June. June 28 > Hoping that David will be available for our Congregation send off with a Liturgical Litany per Leslie. Maybe give one last sermon???

**DEACON COVERAGE:** APRIL 5 > Easter Sunday and Communion. Need 2.

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26 > Palm Sunday. Need 2 for palm

distribution or ask a kid? Cover both doors.

**DEACON ISSUES:** 1) Wendy's possible Deacon resignation/replacement

2) Bylaws > will be a part of our Transformation process, profile rewriting.

3) Flags – Postpone for now? Bruce to report.

4) Lent – Put up Berkeley's purple cranes? Where are they? Brenda will redo the window vases. Wendy to order Palms. Kids to hand out? Both doors to be manned. Who will set up Friendship Hall for Maundy Thursday's potluck on 3/26. Good Friday > Church open from 12>3? Caroline manning this once again?

5) Red Hat Project > Did we get CC blessing? Knitting sessions continue. Hats available with a donation supporting those groups in Minn. To be ready for the Standout on March 28.

6) Painting Friendship Hall – Wendy reports.

7) Parental Leave: Provide Emergency coverage at least for April. How can the "elders" be helpful now > Alice.

8) Prayer Cards going forward...

9) Change Deacons Meetings back to Tuesdays?

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

**NEXT MEETING:** As April 2 is Maundy Thursday, should we move to Tuesday, April 7 (and get our Ted Talk) or Thursday, April 9 @ 7PM?