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AYNOR UNITED METHODIS CHURCH
CHARGE CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 4, 1998

This meeting of the Charge Conference of Aynor United Methodist Church was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 4 by Reverend Richard Knight. Reverend Lemuel C. Carter was in attendance. There were 17 members in attendance.

Reverend Lemuel C. Carter presided over the meeting. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and read selected verses of scripture.

Reverend Carter specifically commended Aynor UMC on the following: 1) Goals for growth of the church; 2) Working with other area churches with a cooperative spirit as opposed to being competitive; 3) Paying apportionments.

A motion was made and seconded that David Best be recommended for continuation as a candidate for ordained ministry. It was also moved that John Boyd be recertified as a lay speaker. And the following were recommended as local church lay speakers: Mark Mullins, Allen Vaught, Tammy Vaught, Clifton Roberts.

Rev. Knight gave the following Pastor's Report: A membership audit is currently underway. Over the next year attempts will be made to contact those persons whose names have been listed under Section II Membership, No. 5a. of the Report Of Pastor. A determination will be made as to the status of the aforementioned.

Rev. Knight also gave the following comments as to the State of the Church: 1) First Place weight loss program has become an outreach ministry; 2) Cub Scouting, sponsored by Methodist Men, has increased over 400%; 3) Church has continued special activities for families, children, youth, and retirees; 4) Recently purchased van is being fully utilized; 5) Purchase of property for future expansion; 6) Church is discussing the construction of a new parsonage; 7) Payment of church mortgage and dedication on Sunday, October 10, 1999.

In other reports: 1) A motion was made and seconded for Nancy Gore and Graham Taylor to be nominated to the Nominations Committee. 2) A motion was made and seconded for Compensation for Pastor with housing exclusion.

With no further business to be considered at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa S. Ricketts, Administrative Board Secretary

**AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL
JULY 12, 1998**

The Administrative Council of Aynor United Methodist Church was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on July 12, 1998 with David Parker presiding. David Parker opened the meeting with scripture and prayer.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as presented.

Committee Reports through October were given as follows:

Children's Ministries: Rachel Dawsey reported.

- a. Sunshine Club will meet on 9/3.

Youth Ministries: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. UMYF will go on a canoe trip on 7/24.
- b. A fund-raiser luncheon will be held on 8/2.
- c. A pool party will be held on 8/9.
- d. A youth retreat is planned at Pigeon Forge, Tenn. on 12/27-12/29.
- e. A project is being planning for the Aynor Harvest Hoe-down.

Adult Ministries: Beth Davis reported.

- a. Parenting classes are planned which will be held during Sunday School.

Family Ministries: Pam Koon reported.

- a. 7/26 - Family Night at 6:00 p.m. Koon Class is in charge.
- b. 8/2 - Aynor UMC will host a joint church service with the Rev. Sam Clardy preaching. A picnic will be held before the service at 6:30.
- c. 8/23 - Family Night Pool Party at 6:00 p.m. Wesley Class is in charge.

United Methodist Men: Allen Vaught reported.

- a. Plans are being made to travel to Dale's Seafood in Tabor City, NC.
- b. A meeting has been planned for the near future at which time new officers will be named.

United Methodist Women: Betty Boyd reported.

- a. A Missions Study will be held on 7/13.
- b. A planning meeting will be held on 8/30 at 4:00 p.m., with a unit meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m.
- c. UMW will sell cook books and have a bake sale at the Aynor Harvest Hoe-down.

Evangelism: Don Hopson reported.

- a. Cottage Prayer Meetings are planned for August.
- b. Shut-in Prayer Meetings are to begin in September.
- c. Fall Revival will be held 11/15-11/18.

Missions: No report.

Worship: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Camp Meetings to be held in August.

Communications: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Rev. Knight read letter of response from Burroughs & Chapin regarding Gay Pride Festival.

Church and Society: Tammy Vaught reported.

- a. There is now a surplus of canned and other non-perishable food items to be distributed. Will check with Promised Land or other charities for distribution.

Higher Education: John Boyd reported.

- a. Continue having Sunday School classes in charge of morning assembly.
- b. Attendance and response good for VBS.
- c. Change time for VBS back to morning for next year.
- d. A key for the Aynor UMC will be kept at The Mountaintop Christian Bookstore. Members may stop by and pick up the key when access to church is needed.

Lay Leader: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Contact Rev. Knight for material in reference to the Laity Conference to be held at Lake Junaluska.

Music: No Report.

Finance: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. There is currently a \$3,000.00 deficit.
- b. An appreciation gift was given to the Building Fund for \$5,000.00 for Marion Gore by Mr. Gore's sister and her husband.
- c. A Building Fund luncheon will be held on 8/16.

Trustees: James Gerald reported.

- a. Chancel Construction Company has agreed to replace rotten wood on outside of building and facial boards on dormers at no cost; columns will not be included as specifications were followed. (\$8,000.00 worth of work to be covered by Chancel Construction Company)
- b. The trustees met today. The columns will be repaired in the next six (6) weeks at a

cost to the Church of \$2,500.

- c. Trustees agreed to enter into an agreement with Danny Poston to paint the Church for \$3,600. The painting will begin once Chancel Construction Company's work has been completed. All work should be completed by September.
- d. Samples will be taken from the Church roof to determine if there are defects.
- e. There has been discussion about a shelter for the van. At this time the van will be parked under the picnic shelter, with a 6 inch clearance to be cut to accommodate the van.
- f. Voted on new fees for use of Aynor UMC and Fellowship Hall by non-members. New fees are as follows: Aynor UMC-\$200.00; Aynor UMC Fellowship Hall-\$150.00; Custodial Fee-\$50.00.

A motion was presented to accept the Trustees Report as presented. This motion was seconded and approved.

Parsonage: Francis Floyd reported.

- a. There has been a sewage problem during the recent wet weather.
- b. A meeting is planned for September to set goals for parsonage improvements.

Staff/Parish Relations: Anita Maness reported.

- a. Rev. Knight has been re-appointed to Aynor UMC.

Rev. Knight reported:

- a. Ministerial Association will sponsor the following community prayer meetings which will begin at 9:00 a.m. each morning:
 - 8/1-Cool Springs Methodist Church
 - 9/5-Aynor Senior Center
 - 10/3-Antioch Baptist Church
- b. Promise Keepers rally to be held 10/2-10/3. Contact Rev. Knight if you would like to attend.
- c. Field Day will be held 10/17 at Michael Morris Graham Field from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
- d. A planning meeting will be held 9/12 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. All councils should have a meeting before this date.

With no further business to be considered at this time, Don Hopson adjourned the meeting with prayer at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa S. Ricketts, Administrative Board Secretary

AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
CHARGE CONFERENCE
APRIL 5, 1998

This meeting of the Charge Conference of Aynor United Methodist Church was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on April 5, 1998 by Reverend Richard Knight. There were 22 members in attendance.

Reverend Richard Knight reported that said meeting was given approval by Reverend Lem Carter, District Superintendent. This meeting was held to discuss the purchase of the Carmichael property located next door to Aynor United Methodist Church.

Mr. James Gerald presented the proposal for the purchase of the Carmichael property for \$82,500.00. The Resolution was then put on the floor by Reverend Knight. A motion was made by Don Hopson to give the Trustees of Aynor United Methodist Church permission to purchase the Carmichael property at a cost of \$82,500.00. The motion was then seconded by John Boyd.

A vote was then taken to grant the Trustees of Aynor United Methodist Church permission to purchase the Carmichael property for \$82,500.00. Results of the vote were: 22 votes for said purchase; 0 votes against said purchase.

With no further business to be considered at this time, Reverend Knight adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa S. Ricketts, Administrative Board Secretary

RESOLUTION
TO THE
JUDICIAL COUNCIL
OF THE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Issue: The crisis faced by the United Methodist Church resulting from the acquittal of the Reverend Jimmy Creech, a United Methodist minister who performed a covenanting service uniting two lesbians.

Resolution Statement: The Administrative Council of Aynor United Methodist Church resolves that the Judicial Council, The "Supreme Court" of The United Methodist Church, review the case of the Reverend Jimmy Creech, overturn the verdict, and publicize the decision to all of United Methodism as soon as possible.

Points for consideration:

1. The Scriptures clearly state that the practice of homosexuality is a sin and a perversion.
2. The BOOK OF DISCIPLINE of the United Methodist Church states clearly that "the practice of homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching"(Para. 304.3 and Para. 65G).
3. The church's Social Principles state: "Ceremonies that celebrate homosexual unions shall not be conducted by our ministers and shall not be conducted in our churches." (Para. 65C).

The time has come for The United Methodist Church to take a strong, decisive stand against the practice of homosexuality and for biblical teaching and church law.

This resolution is hereby adopted
By the Administrative Council of
Aynor United Methodist Church,
Aynor, South Carolina, April 5, 1998

Chairman, Administrative Council

Pastor, Aynor United Methodist Church

AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL
APRIL 5, 1998

The Administrative Council of Aynor United Methodist Church was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on April 5, 1998 with Don Hopson presiding. Don opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as presented.

Committee Reports through July were given as follows:

Children's Ministries: Rachel Dawsey reported.

- a. Sunshine Club will meet for choir practice on 4/22 and 4/29.
- b. Mother's Day program to be held on 5/3.
- c. Vacation Bible School will be held June 8-12.
- d. VBS commencement program to be held during the worship service on June 14.

Youth Ministries: Jennifer Mullins reported.

- a. UMYF will sell tee shirts for \$10.00.
- b. Will mow churchyard one Saturday morning per month.
- c. Recently visited Epworth Children's Home.

Adult Ministries: Beth Davis reported.

- a. Singles and Retirees program going strong.
- b. VBS will be held 6/8 - 6/12 from 6 PM to 9 PM
- c. Marriage Enrichment program on hold.

Family Ministries: Pam Koon reported.

- a. Family nights to be held on 5/3, 6/7, and 7/26.
- b. Currently reorganizing food committees.

United Methodist Men: Allen Vaught reported.

- a. Preparations ready for Maundy Thursday service.
- b. Will hold breakfast in June.

United Methodist Women: Betty Boyd reported.

- a. UMW will give \$300.00 those attending summer camp.
- b. 4/19 is deadline for names of those attending camp.
- c. On 4/31 a covered dish meal will be held with Liz Gilliland as the guest speaker.

Evangelism: Don Hopson reported.

- a. Lay Missions retreat was a success.
- b. Will soon begin work on fall revival.

Missions: Lisa Ricketts reported.

- a. Lenten loaves to be placed in sanctuary.
- b. Looking into the possibility of starting a prison ministry.
- c. Discussing ways of ministering to tourists.

Worship: Joe Parler reported.

- a. Would like to put sketch of church on front of bulletins.
- b. Ladies will be upgrading the Chrismond tree and have a special service to hang them.
- c. Easter lillies to be placed in church next Sunday.

Communications: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Presented copy of a resolution concerning the Rev. Jimmy Creech for council consideration.
- b. Carlisle Dawsey moved that the Resolution be amended to include the following as the first item under "Points for consideration": 1. The Scriptures clearly state that the practice of homosexuality is a sin and a perversion.
- c. "Prayer at City Gates" will be held on 4/25.
- d. On 4/26 a family prayer rally will be held at AHS at 6:00 PM lead by Rev. Buddy Smith.

Church and Society: No Report.

Higher Education: John Boyd reported.

- a. Continue having Sunday School classes in charge of morning assembly.
- b. Continue giving books to graduates.
- c. Find an area of the church to place reference books and materials to be used by Sunday School teachers. Possible sites might be parlor or secretary's office.
- d. VBS to take place for all age groups at the same time (6/8-6/12 from 6:00 PM -9:00 PM).
- e. Need to look at a system for having church keys available for those holding meetings, working in church, etc.

Lay Leader: No report.

Music: No report.

Finance: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Currently at \$4,000.00 deficit.

Trustees: James Gerald reported.

- a. Trustees will holding a meeting tomorrow at 3:00 PM to consider items around the church that are in need of repair.
- b. John Boyd presented a "Van Policy" and "Van Checklist" for consideration and approval. "Van Policy" and "Van Checklist" were approved as presented.

Parsonage: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Purchase of new furniture.
- b. Looking at areas around town for site of future parsonage.

Staff/Parish Relations: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Request for the return of Rev. Knight to Aynor UMC is favorable. Nothing to the contrary is expected.

Rev. Knight reported:

- a. Outdoor picnic shelter to be named in honor of the Aynor UMYF and referred to as the UMYF Outdoor Fellowship Shelter.
- b. All men are encouraged to attend the October 2-3 meeting of Promise Keepers to be held in Columbia, SC.
- c. Reception to be held at Aynor UMC on June 28 from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM for District Superintendent Lem Carter.
- d. Letter to be sent to Burroughs & Chapin concerning Gay Pride Festival by end of the month.

With no further business to be considered at this time, Don adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM. Sheldon Dawsey closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



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Lisa S. Ricketts, Administrative Board Secretary

AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL
JANUARY 11, 1998
5:30 P.M.

The Administrative Council of the Aynor United Methodist Church met on January 11, 1998 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. David Parker presided.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30. David opened with prayer.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as presented.

The first order of business was to elect Vice-Chairperson and Secretary. Don Hopson was nominated and elected vice-Chairman. Phyllis Morrison and Lisa Ricketts was nominated for secretary. Phyllis was elected but declined position due to other responsibilities, therefore, second nominee was referred and Lisa accepted.

Committee Reports thru April were given as follows:

Childrens Ministries: Rachel Dawsey reported.

- a. Sunshine Club to begin again 1-21.
- b. Sunshine Club to be 2-25.
- c. March 1, 2-3rd grade to hold Sunday School devotion.
- d. Sunshine Club and Easter egg hunt to be 3-25.
- e. Choir practice 4-1 for 4-5 Easter program.
- f. Choir practice 4-22 & 4-29 for Mothers Day program.

Youth Ministries: Blakely Knight reported.

- a. Souper Bowl Sunday planned.
- b. Planning to go to Epworth in March.
- c. April 4 is scheduled clean up day.

Adult Ministries: Beth Davis reported.

- a. Working on Bible School.

Family Ministries: Pam Koon reported.

- a. Working on bereaved family ministry.
- b. Family nights are being delegated and will be held on 2-15, 3-22. and 4-26.
- c. Working on "We Care" ministry.

United Methodist Men: Allen Vaught reported.

- a. Working on calendar for coming year.

United Methodist Women: Betty Boyd reported.

- a. Luncheon scheduled on 3-15 to support youth.

Evangelism: Don Hopson reported.

- a. Working on Lay Mission weekend.

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Missions: No Report

Worship: Joe Parker reported.

- a. Met with Catherine Brown and Rev. Knight on coming year.
- b. Working on several new projects to be presented later.

Communications: Rev. Knight reported.

- a. Kim Parker will continue with newsletter with Beth Davis helping.
- b. Information needs to be in by third week of month.

Church and Society: No Report.

Higher Education: John Boyd reported.

- a. Sunday School Assembly will be held by Children on the 1st Sunday of the month and Sunday School classes will hold it on 3rd Sunday.

Lay Leader: No Report.

Music: No Report.

Finance: Paul Dusenbury reported.

- a. Ended year in good shape.
- b. \$7300 on hand to begin year.
- c. \$19,700 in general fund.
- d. \$6200 needed from general fund to purchase van.
- e. \$2000 needed to set aside for tap on fee for sewer service.
- f. Recommended that \$3000 be set aside for sound system.
- g. Recommended that \$2600 be transferred from building and memorial fund to mortgage.

Motion made and approved to accept all recommendations.

Trustees: David Parker reported.

- a. Trustees met earlier today and James Gerrald was elected chairman.
- b. John Boyd reported that a GMC 15 passenger van is to be order from Bell and Bell tomorrow.

Parsonage: Francis Floyd reported.

- a. Soon to have meeting and set goals.
- b. Having some sewage problems.

Staff/Parish Relations: Anita Maness reported.

- a. Meeting scheduled for tomorrow.
- b. Advisory report form for Rev. Knight to return for another year to be filled out.

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Rev. Knight reported:

- a. one person has signed up to go to job function workshop.
- b. Name is needed for picnic shelter. Carlisle Dawsey was named Chairman of committee. Other members are: Morris Graham, Phyllis Morrison, Michelle Altman.
- c. Need to address gay pride festival issue. Church and Society Chairperson directed to write letter to Burroughs and Chapin supporting them for their view.

There being no other business, the meeting was dismissed with prayer at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Vicky Hucks, Secretary.