Philosophy:
As members of the United Methodist Church, we uphold the rights of children and acknowledge that children are a sacred gift from God. In proclaiming that sacredness, we in the Church carry a commitment to enable all children to experience the fullness of life as Jesus proclaimed.

He took a little child and had him stand among them. Taking him in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

Mark 9:36-37

"...Permit the children to come to Me; do not hinder them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Mark 10:14

Purpose
The goal of the Aynor United Methodist Church (AUMC) Nursery program is to provide a safe and loving environment for your children. Because a baby often first experiences church in a nursery setting, we are committed to providing a loving, nurturing atmosphere in our nursery. In this way, all children who enter here will have the opportunity to know and experience, from an early age, the love of God.

Nursery Hours and Requests
A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers for Sunday school and Sunday morning worship services. The nursery will open 15 minutes prior to the beginning of Sunday school and will promptly close 15 minutes after Sunday morning worship. The nursery may also be available for other church functions on occasion. In the event it is open for a special event, the nursery will open 15 minutes prior to the event and will promptly close 15 minutes after the event. Any special requests for nursery service need to be submitted to the Nursery Coordinator at least 7 days prior to the date of the event.

Nursery Scheduling
Initially, it is the responsibility of the Nursery Coordinator to secure the proper staff (paid workers and volunteers) for Worship Services and functions requiring childcare. However, if a volunteer is unable to cover their scheduled shift, it is their responsibility to find a substitute from the approved list to fill in for them. Please notify the Nursery Coordinator by phone or e-mail about any changes in the schedule. If a nursery worker cannot work as scheduled, then he/she will be responsible for finding a substitute from the approved Nursery Workers List and the Nursery Coordinator must be notified immediately.
Adult/Child Ratios
There should be no more than 8 children at a time in any of the nursery rooms. Every effort needs to be made to keep the ratio of one adult to every six children, and one adult to every four infants. We also require that at least two workers be on duty in the nursery area at all times. Under no circumstances should the children be left alone for ANY amount of time. Caregivers are required to directly supervise children by sight AND hearing at all times - even while they are sleeping.

Nursery Staff
Our nursery staff is currently composed of a Nursery Coordinator and volunteer nursery workers for Sunday morning services. At least two nursery workers 21 years old or older will be in the nursery each Sunday. Youth that are at least 15 years of age may volunteer to help in the nursery but must be closely supervised by the adult nursery workers.

Nursery Volunteers
Our nursery volunteers consist of parents, youth and other members of our church family who keep the nursery during Sunday morning services and special events. All parents of infants or toddler age will be asked to volunteer to assist in one of the nurseries during one service approximately once every quarter by the Nursery Coordinator. The schedule will be mailed out and/or e-mailed quarterly. All volunteers will be required to participate in a training session on our Policies and Procedures, fill out a volunteer form, and complete a background check form before working in the nursery.

Room Preparation
1. Check the room for orderliness
2. Check and make sure a sign in sheet is available with pen for parents to drop off children.
3. Prepare toys for children
4. Have all diaper changing materials ready for use
5. Wash hands

Greeting the Children
Nursery workers should warmly greet the children and their parents. The worker also needs to make sure the parents fill out all of the pertinent information on the sign in sheet and that all of their little one's belongings are clearly marked and placed in a cubby or diaper bags hung on rack behind the door in the infant nursery.

Nursery Activities
All activities for children will be developmentally and age appropriate. The children should be involved in these activities and participatory games for the largest percentage of time that they are in the nursery. Children will be encouraged to participate in these activities by the nursery workers. Music and/or books should be available at all times. Resources for appropriate games and activities are available in the Nursery Handbook and from the Nursery Coordinator. It is our goal for the children to have a pleasant visit in the nursery, and to achieve this, the workers should interact with the children as they play and talk with them. In order to foster a Christian
foundation in our little ones, we recommend that at least one Bible story be read to the toddlers during the Sunday school hour. Oversized, toddler-proof books can be found on the shelves in the room.

**Videos** - Videos may be used on occasion, but must be approved by the Nursery Coordinator. Videos must be rated G, have Christian and/or educational themes, and display appropriate behavior and language.

**Snacks** - Appropriate snacks are available in the nursery cabinets. Do not give a child’s snacks brought from home to another child. Due to possible allergies, snacks given cannot contain peanuts, chocolate, or red dye. Children shall also be given their personal drinking cups only while they are seated, and removed when they are finished drinking. Do not physically restrain children, but simply take away the snack or cup and return it when the child is seated. This is important to maintain the cleanliness of the nursery and to prevent choking hazards.

**Infants**
- Infants are in the earliest stage of development, and in order to foster this development, infants should not be restricted to one area (piece of equipment) or activity for long periods of time. Activities such as swings, lying/playing on blankets or mats on the floor, and looking at books and toys are acceptable and encouraged.
- Do not stand and hold more than one infant at a time. It is a much better solution to place them on a mat on the floor and join them.
- Infants will be held while given bottles. When warming baby bottles, use the bottle warmer that is provided. These procedures will ensure even warming and will preserve the nutrients of the milk of our breast-feeding moms.
- Diapers need to be checked hourly and soiled diapers need to be changed immediately.
- When placing babies in the cribs, they are to be placed on their backs (unless instructed otherwise by the child’s parent).

**Cleanliness**
- The nurseries should be the cleanest rooms in the Church, which is for the safety of both the children and workers. The guidelines below will help to facilitate this: All equipment surfaces (i.e. walker trays, swings, mats, tables, and chairs) must be cleaned with approved disinfectant cleaner at the end of each nursery session.
- All toys that have been handled and mouthed must be cleaned and disinfected before use by another child.
- Sheets must be changed after use by each child and washed after each nursery session.
- Carpet spills should be cleaned up immediately.
- Workers must follow general hand washing guidelines posted in the bathrooms and sink areas in the nursery. Workers should wash their hands after each diaper change or cleaning any bodily discharge, such as wiping noses. Hand sanitizer is available in the nursery rooms and bathroom and should be used regularly during the time the nursery is open.

**General Policies and Discipline**

**Age limits** - Only children of the appropriate age for a room are allowed in the nursery rooms. No child over the age of four should be in the nursery rooms. For special events where a
wide range of children are present, the children should be separated into similar age groups and appropriate activities provided to keep them occupied.

Health Policy - Please do not bring sick or contagious children to the nursery as we strive to keep a safe and healthy place for all our children. If a child is showing signs of fever or infection, we reserve the right to return the child to you. Signs of illness include, but are not limited to:

- Severe or persistent cough
- Unexplained rash or spots
- Yellow or green discharge (from nose, eyes or ears)
- Earache
- Sore throat
- Temperature over 100 degrees
- Diarrhea, Nausea, or Vomiting
- Any skin infection or Head Lice

Please do not bring your child back to the nursery until they have been symptom free or on antibiotics for a full 24 hours. As a general rule, if your child needs medication to provide healing or comfort, please do not bring them to the nursery until they are well.

Inconsolable children – workers should make every effort to engage unhappy children in play or rock them. Sitting on the floor with the children is very effective and calming. If a child is inconsolable (15 minutes of non-stop crying), the parents are to be paged or notified immediately. Under no circumstances should you let a child “cry it out”. This policy will help to fortify the trust between our parents and our nursery workers.

Discipline – The safety of all of the children in the nursery room must be maintained. No throwing, hitting, biting, or kicking can be allowed. If children express this behavior, remind them in a kind voice of the appropriate behavior that you expect and remove them from the source of the conflict. If the behavior continues, it is appropriate to place them in a time-out chair for no more than one minute for each year of their age. Yelling at the children is absolutely prohibited. Also, under no circumstances shall the use of physical force or the threat of physical force be used. If a child is unmanageable after efforts have been made to correct the situation, then contact either the Nursery Coordinator or the parent. If a parent wishes to spank their own child, then they need to do so out of the nursery rooms to avoid the appearance of nursery workers spanking the children, and to prevent frightening the other children.

Safety – Parents will be asked to sign their child in when leaving him or her in the nursery. The parent who signs the child in should pick them up. Children will not be released from the nursery to strangers for any reason. A child gate will be located in the hallway in front of the nursery bathroom. Only nursery workers, infants/toddlers and their parents will be allowed in the nursery area.

Security – The nursery rooms will be locked when the nursery is not in operation. Children are never allowed to be in the nursery without supervision for any reason. This is not a “playroom” and must be maintained as a safe environment to be an effective ministry area.

What Parents Should Bring -
1. Clean labeled diaper bag with everything your child may need (bottle, 2 disposable diapers, pacifier, change of clothes, etc.) labeled clearly with the child’s name.
2. If the child uses a pacifier, the clip-on type is required.
3. Each child must have a spill proof cup filled with a beverage of choice for snack time, and it should be clearly labeled with their name. Our staff will use stickers to label sippy cups, if they aren’t labeled at the time your child is dropped off.

4. A special comfort toy or blanket is welcome. Please be sure it is labeled.

5. Complete change of clothes.

6. Children who are not independently potty trained must be in a diaper or pull-up pant.

**Donations** – We realize and appreciate that from time to time individuals in the church may wish to donate toys or other items for use in the church nursery. While we appreciate this gesture, we must be cautious in accepting items and insure they are safe and appropriate for all the children in our care. No items may be placed in the nursery without consent of the Nursery Coordinator. She will insure that the items meet current national child safety guidelines, are in good shape without pieces that may present a choking hazard, and will generally enhance the experience of the children. Items requiring batteries will be avoided due to the cost of maintenance and the possibility of corrosion.

**Clean up and Departure**
The above mentioned cleanliness procedures must be done at the end of each nursery session. Toys shall be put away in their proper places. The trash bag from each room should be removed and placed in the hall for the custodian to dispose of in the outside dumpsters. All lights should be turned off and the doors will be locked by the custodian.

**Confidentiality**
All information about the children in our program and their families shall remain confidential unless it is determined that harm may come to the child and in that event, the Nursery Coordinator and Pastor must be notified immediately and actions will be taken in line with the “Safe Sanctuary” procedures. It is expressly understood that any gossip is strictly forbidden.

**Emergency Procedures**
Please refer to the posted emergency procedures in each room. If a serious injury occurs, an Accident Report Form to be filled out by the attending nursery worker and given to the Nursery Coordinator.

- A telephone is available in the Toddler Room and is for emergency use only.
- A First Aid kit is located in the marked cabinet in the Toddler Nursery.

We hope that parents and children will enjoy being involved in the AUMC Nursery Program. Please feel free to provide any suggestions or comments to the Nursery Coordinator (Lisa Ricketts). Lisa can be reached at (843) 358-0804 or via e-mail at avnorbookbug@aol.com. Our ultimate goal is to provide a safe and spiritually stimulating environment for our most precious gifts from God - our children.

*I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to the Policies and Procedures set forth in this document.*

__________________________________________________________________________  ____________________________________________________________________________

Name                                           Date
AUMC Church Council  
March 1, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Pam Dyson, Tony Adams, Susan Chandler, Charles Dawsey, Lisa Ricketts, Steve Weisen, Peachey Jordan, Joe Peavy, Chris Crain, Irene Bell, Don Hopson, Allison Best, Sylvia Page, Beth Davis, Katy Hucks, Ann Altman, Stan Woodle, Gary Altman, Susan Roach, Dorothy Jordan, David Parker, Carlisle Dawsey

Diane opens meeting with and prayer.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Staff Parish
  • Susan Chandler- SPRC will be working on job descriptions for all positions in the church.

Lisa Ricketts (Backpack Buddies)
  • Explains partnership with CMC and Midland that would provide food that doesn’t require cooking to be carried home on Fridays in backpacks to children who are in need. Parents would sign to participate. Currently 89 children would be eligible depending on parental approval. Lisa will bring back more information to Diane.
  • Beth Davis says that UMW might be able to help

Finance
  • Charles Dawsey reports that YTD collections exceed our budgeted amount.
  • Finance Committee met and is working to get in compliance with getting people bonded to handle money.
  • Finance Committee is going to try tallying the collection and presenting to Tony during the worship service

Mission
  • Don plans a mission trip to W.Va. April 23 - food is the biggest issue.
  • Shepherd’s Table-volunteers from our church will help prepare and distribute food and clean up afterward (food will be provided). Our participation will likely be once every 6 weeks. One Sunday morning in the next several weeks, a representative will come and explain what The Shepherd’s Table needs

Trustees
  • Drainage system work is complete
  • Tony and Peachey would like carpet back in their offices.
• Please remember to lock office door when you leave. During the repair, the filing cabinets are out in the office and contain sensitive information.
• Joe says Sheldon is working on a loop system as part of our speaker system that will be installed under the carpet in the sanctuary to help those with hearing aids pick up sound.
• Discussed placement of Nursery and bathroom signs in sanctuary and hall

Intentional Faith Development

Koon and Friendship Classes will meet in the class next to the Parlor. The Altman Class will move to Koon Class. College and Career visitors can attend whichever class they prefer.
• Tony asks that Lisa Ricketts be made Nursery Coordinator for Sunday School and Worship. Tony also asks that she be given permission to decorate the Nursery. Charles Dawsey makes a motion to make Lisa Ricketts Nursery Coordinator and allow redecorating. Ann Altman seconds. Motion carries.
• Joe asks Lisa to check with Trustees before decorating
• Revival is Holy Week- March 30-April 2. There will be nightly preaching on March 30-April 1. On April 2nd, revival will conclude with a showing of Mel Gibson's *The Passion of The Christ*
• Confirmands will be received into membership on Sunday, April 4
• Gary says website is aynorunitedmethodistchurch.net

Charles makes motion to adjourn.
Diane closes with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison Best
Recording Secretary-Church Council
Chas - Finance
No report during service

Lisa Ricketts - draft policies for nursery
Need list of volunteers - SS 4 church
Signage not at this point.

Intentional Faith Development
Praise & Prayer Session - 1st Sunday of ea. month
1st Sunday of May

Tony: VBS June 27 - July 2
Easter Sun. + confirmants

Peachey
Women's meeting together 7pm Thurs.

Pete Brown
Lucey Young

Announce who has nursery ea. Sunday
during announcements
Actively Uniting in Ministry for Christ
2010

STRATEGIC GOALS

Aynor United Methodist Church, Aynor, SC

RADICAL HOSPITALITY

Strategic Goal 1: Develop a welcoming plan for visitors
Strategic Goal 2: Increase participation in all aspects of church life while serving all age categories
Strategic Goal 3: Improve communications concerning all aspects of the church’s ministries

PASSIONATE WORSHIP

Strategic Goal 1: Expand worship to include traditional, contemporary and blended experiences.

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Strategic Goal 1: Increase participation in faith development activities.

RISK-TAKING MISSION AND SERVICE

Strategic Goal 1: Increase mission activities in the Aynor/Galivants Ferry community
Strategic Goal 2: Partner with other community groups/churches in performing a mission project

EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY

Strategic Goal 1: Develop a program that promotes stewardship


Aynor United Methodist Church
Aynor SC

Mission Statement

Actively Uniting in Ministry for Christ

Vision Statement

In order to achieve this mission, Aynor UMC will:

- Be a Christ-centered church praising God with our works, gifts, and time
- Study and live the Word in a way that encourages others to find Christ
- Demonstrate God’s unconditional love through our service to our community
- Be fruitful and grow not only in numbers but also in our depth of faith.

FIVE PRACTICES

RADICAL HOSPITALITY
-having an invitational stance and an active, constant desire to bring people into the life of Christ

PASSIONATE WORSHIP
-making worship of first importance, creating God-encounter experiences that transform lives

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT
-understanding that we are on a journey to be closer to God and that we must be intentional about making growth happen along that journey

RISK-TAKING MISSION AND SERVICE
-accepting the challenge of being useful to God and Christ even if it is uncomfortable or unpopular to society

EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY
-preaching and teaching generosity, emphasizing proportional giving and growth toward tithing, based on the Christians need to give

Aynor UMC must perform the above five practices in an exemplary way to fulfill our mission. All ministries offered by AUMC must strengthen the church in one or more of these practices—they must permeate everything we do.
AUMC Church Council  
November 1, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Susan Chandler, Beth Davis, Susan Roach, Tony Adams, Peachey Jordan, Sylvia Page, Allison Best, Darrell Ricketts, Rachel Dawsey, Pam Dyson, Charles Dawsey, Don Hopson, Irene Bell

Charles opens meeting with prayer.

September 2010 minutes approved as presented.

Susan Chandler has updated the website. Susan’s email will be in the bulletin so that people may contact her about postings.

- Charles reports balances as follows: Bldg Fund $67,913.73, CD $50,814.00, Operating Fund $13,037.68. We are $1,948 in red thus far.
- Need receipts to be well documented and legible when turning in for reimbursement.
- Please separate checks by fund when submitting payment covering more than one type of item.
- Darrell reports progress on parsonage-may have something more concrete at the end of November.
- UMW hosting the following in November: Tea- Nov. 14th 3:00-4:30PM. Everyone in the church is invited. Nov. 21st turkey and dressing lunch as fundraiser for the tables in Fellowship Hall.
- Christmas projects: Toys for Tots box has been placed in the hallway. Help needy local school children by adopting families.
- New mission to feed the hungry in our community. Church will host a free breakfast on Nov. 27 from 8:00-9:30. Expense has been covered by donations-no cost to our church. Need volunteers to help in kitchen. Darrell makes motion to support this ministry. Charles seconds. Motion carries.
- Trustees Cleanup Day-Nov. 13th 8:00am
- Veterans Day service-Nov. 7th 4:00pm
- Cantata- Dec 5th 6:30 pm
- Youth and Little Samaritans-Covered dish after church-Dec. 19th, Program that night (Dec. 19th) 6:30 pm.
- Christmas Eve service-Dec 24th 7:00 pm

Motion to adjourn.

Tony closes with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Best
Recording Secretary-Church Council
AUMC Church Council
September 7, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Tony Adams, Beth Davis, Susan Roach, Dorothy Jordan, Dot Edwards, Sylvia Page, Joe Peavy, Irene Bell, Don Hopson, Charles Dawsey, Carlisle Dawsey, Susan Chandler, Stan Woodle, Gary Altman, Davis Parker, Peachey Jordan, Pam Dyson, Steve Weisen, Rachel Dawsey, Jackie Woodle

Diane opens meeting with prayer.

July 12, 2010 minutes approved as presented.

Finance

- Charles presented the budget for 2011 with a 2 1/2% raise for staff and a 2.64% increase in the 2011 budget. Gary requested the youth ministry be changed from $4,000 to $7,000 same as last year. Carlisle made a motion to change youth ministry to $7,000. David second. All approve. David made motion to accept the budget with change. Charles second. All approve.

Missions

- Gary and Susan Chandler will be working on updating our website.
- Sylvia asked who was to pull the weeds out of the flower beds. Trustees will take care of the weeds.

UMM

- UMM will meet Thursday night at 7 PM.

Tony

- Old business from last meeting, Tony suggested we support Adam Looper in our prayers and financial help. Gary made motion to take up offering on the 5th Sunday for Adam. Pam second. Motion carries.
- Lay leaders to Annual Conference need to be two. 1. Diane Bagnal 2. Susan Roach.
- Joe, Susan Chandler, Rev. Adams need to walk through the parsonage before Charge Conference.
- Carlisle made motion to accept the AUM Church Council 2011 as presented with Susan Roach added as the second Lay member to Annual Conference. Gary second. All approve.
- Next Council Meeting will be Monday, November 1, 2010 7:00 PM.

Gary closed with prayer.
2011 Budget Proposal
Aynor United Methodist Youth

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>#kids</th>
<th>Cost</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Outing for youth/Meals not covered by volunteers</td>
<td></td>
<td>$1,500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Breakfast</td>
<td></td>
<td>$500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fuel for Outings including minor and major trips away from church</td>
<td></td>
<td>$600.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Gifts</td>
<td></td>
<td>$400.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AUMC T-shirts</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>$500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Music for Youth Choir/Praise Band</td>
<td></td>
<td>$250.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Educational Materials for Youth Bible Study and Christian Growth including subscription to young life magazine for Christian Youth</td>
<td></td>
<td>$250.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Winter Youth Trip</td>
<td></td>
<td>$1,500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Summer Mission Trip - includes materials used in the mission work</td>
<td></td>
<td>$1,500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scholarships for Youth who need help financially</td>
<td></td>
<td>$500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ads in local publications (yearbook, etc.)</td>
<td></td>
<td>$300.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Postage, Reminder Cards, Cards of concern, College Ministry, printer cartridges for youth newsletters and info.</td>
<td></td>
<td>$150.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bibles for New Converts or New Youth who do not have access to a Bible</td>
<td></td>
<td>$300.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sponsorships for Coastal Carolina Chrysalis</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>$250.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hoedown Expenses</td>
<td></td>
<td>$150.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Projected Youth Budget for year 2011</td>
<td></td>
<td>$8,850.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Total used so far from budget and special contributions 2010 – approx. $7500.00. We still have four months left and reservations for our winter trip to make.

The Youth Committee realizes that we have not used the allotted $7,000.00 from our budget. Please note why we have not done so.

1) Shortage of Funds meeting the budget within the church, so we used donations given generously to our youth program.

2) Cut some outings, trips, service projects we would normally do to save money.

The committee also realizes that we are faced with a current budget shortfall and thus we prayerfully submit this budget and request that the current budget of $7,000.00 be allowed to remain for the youth.

We are creating, based on the Creative Youth Ministry and the book given to us on a Fruitful Youth Ministry, a service oriented youth community. They have rearranged the youth room, now “The Carpenter’s Shop”, named themselves “The Shop Keepers” Servants Helping Other People meet the Carpenter and keep the faith, and have decided within themselves to renew the puppet ministry and begin a youth choir/raise band. These two youth ministries will meet each Sunday morning alternately at 9 am. T-shirts have been ordered to wear at Hoedown and a float ordered where they will sing and pass out tracts as they go down the Hoedown Parade Route. Students are beginning to really reach out to youth in our community and are demonstrating a desire to grow as young Christians.

Some of our more generous donors are no longer active members within our church and with that in mind; the special fund we have drawn from will be significantly lower this year. With this in mind, more of the budgeted amount will have to be used to maintain the youth ministry.

Prayerfully Submitted,

Leanne and Gary Altman, Youth Leaders
AUMC Church Council  
July 12, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Susan Chandler, Beth Davis, Dorothy Jordan, Susan Roach, Joe Peavy, Ann Altman, Tony Adams, Steve Weisen, Peachey Jordan, Chris Crain, Sylvia Page, Allison Best, Darrell Ricketts, Rachel Dawsey, Pam Dyson, Dot Edwards

Susan opens meeting with prayer.

May 3, 2010 minutes approved as presented.

Joe and Trustees are getting signs for over the doors (Nursery, Choir, etc). Darrell Ricketts will post a floor-plan of the church at main entrances for directional purposes.

Peachey reports the following: $16,779.93 Budget, $60,104.94 Building Fund, $50,378.63 CD, $1,416.96 ahead of budget

Trustees
- Joe reports there are three (3) trees that need to be removed. Estimated cost $1,000-$1,400. Darrell makes motion to approve removal of three (3) trees up to $1,500. Susan seconds. Diane casts a dissenting vote. Motion carries.
- Painting and repair work needs to be done around front of church. The wood around the window above the front porch is rotten. The window is high and will be a major job to repair. Bell tower has rotten moulding. Joe will report back with prices.

Tony
- Copyright license is needed for any reproducing of any music in our service (shut-in ministry, etc). Contract with CCLI to cover this is $185 annually. Pam motions to enter a contract with CCLI. Sylvia seconds. Motion carries with all in approval. Money will come out of Evangelism budget.
- Adam Looper and Revo Church ask for our prayers and any financial help we can give. Pam Dyson makes a motion to hold this in abeyance. Joe seconds. All approve.
- VBS was a great success. Forty (40) children registered. Mission Project at Morris Manor in the courtyard area is greatly appreciated by the residents.
- Softball game Tuesday, July 13, 2010 8:15 PM
- Next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, September 7, 2010 7:00PM

Ann Altman motions to adjourn. Darrell seconds. Meeting adjourned.

Pam Dyson closes with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Best Recording Secretary-Church Council
AUMC Church Council  
May 3 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Susan Chandler, Charles Dawsey, Steve Weisen, Peachey Jordan, Chris Crain, Sylvia Page, Allison Best, Stan Woodle, David Parker, Darrell Ricketts, Wes Lovell, Rachel Dawsey, Pam Dyson, Don Hopson, Leanne Altman

Diane opens meeting with prayer.

Finance
- Charles- as of Sunday, May 2, we are ahead of budget $3,570.00

Missions
- Don- mission trip to West Virginia was very successful. Distributed $1,041 food (bought) + what was taken from here and clothing.

Darrell Ricketts
- Spoke with Fire Marshall-keeping inside doors locked/unlocked not a problem
- Nursery looks good. Will be open during Sunday School.

Intentional Faith Development
- Volunteers are needed in the Nursery (men and women).
- 92 attended Prayer and Praise on Sunday, May 2.

David Parker
- Intercom in Nursery will be working Sunday

Diane will talk to Tony about the possibility of Council meeting every other month.

Prayer concerns: Johnnie Mae Timmons, Basil Dudley's family, Tony's family

Leanne
- Youth Room is being revamped. Youth would like a small refrigerator and snacks to be allowed. Adult in charge would be responsible for cleanup. Darrell makes a motion that this decision be moved to Trustees. Don seconds. All approve.

Charles makes motion to adjourn.
David closes with prayer.
Respectfully submitted,

Allison Best
Recording Secretary-Church Council Gracious
AUMC Church Council  
April 5, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Tony Adams, Susan Chandler, Charles Dawsey, Steve Weisen, Peachey Jordan, Chris Crain, Allison Best, Beth Davis, Ann Altman, Stan Woodle, David Parker, Carlisle Dawsey, Darrell Ricketts, Wes Lovell, Rachel Dawsey, Emily Hutson

Diane opens meeting with prayer.

Changed minutes to read that the Koon and Friendship Classes are dissolved and College and Career are attending the Wesley Class. Minutes are approved with these changes.

Finance
- Charles Dawsey reports that first quarter collections exceed our budgeted amount by $1,930.
- Percentage of budget spent YTD is in line by category.
- Finance Committee is not going to tally the weekly collection and present to Tony during worship
- We are current on Conference apportionments

Darrell Ricketts
- Lisa has drafted a Policy and Procedures Guideline for the Nursery (see attached).
- Council approves motion to accept these guidelines with stipulation to amend as needed.
- Darrell will check on the issue of locking/unlocking doors to make sure we are in compliance with the Fire Marshall.
- Darrell reports that Revival went well - could have been better attended
- One sign is up showing directions to Nursery, etc. Darrell is going to post a floor plan and additional signs in hallways.

Intentional Faith Development
- Wes wants to begin a Prayer and Praise session once a month in the sanctuary during Sunday School hour. Service would include contemporary music and prayer and would include the whole church. Sunday School teachers would be given a break. Wes is going to talk this over with Sylvia this week.
- Council votes to try this the first Sunday in May.

Tony
- Vacation Bible School- June 27 thru July 2, 2010
- Received confirmands into the church on April 4. Shelby Mullins will be confirmed this Sunday.

David Parker
- UMM and UMW are having supper together this Thursday and will each have their meetings afterward. Invitation is extended to everyone.

Diane asks for prayer for her friend Lucy Young who has sustained an injury to her knee. Ann Altman asks for prayer for her friend Pat Brown who is facing complications from diabetes.

Darrell makes motion to adjourn.

Diane closes with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison Best  
Recording Secretary-Church Council
3. Each child must have a spill proof cup filled with a beverage of choice for snack time, and it should be clearly labeled with their name. Our staff will use stickers to label sippy cups, if they aren’t labeled at the time your child is dropped off.
4. A special comfort toy or blanket is welcome. Please be sure it is labeled.
5. Complete change of clothes.
6. Children who are not independently potty trained must be in a diaper or pull-up pant.

**Donations** – We realize and appreciate that from time to time individuals in the church may wish to donate toys or other items for use in the church nursery. While we appreciate this gesture, we must be cautious in accepting items and insure they are safe and appropriate for all the children in our care. No items may be placed in the nursery without consent of the Nursery Coordinator. She will insure that the items meet current national child safety guidelines, are in good shape without pieces that may present a choking hazard, and will generally enhance the experience of the children. Items requiring batteries will be avoided due to the cost of maintenance and the possibility of corrosion.

**Clean up and Departure**
The above mentioned cleanliness procedures must be done at the end of each nursery session. Toys shall be put away in their proper places. The trash bag from each room should be removed and placed in the hall for the custodian to dispose of in the outside dumpsters. All lights should be turned off and the doors will be locked by the custodian.

**Confidentiality**
All information about the children in our program and their families shall remain confidential unless it is determined that harm may come to the child and in that event, the Nursery Coordinator and Pastor must be notified immediately and actions will be taken in line with the “Safe Sanctuary” procedures. It is expressly understood that any gossip is strictly forbidden.

**Emergency Procedures**
Please refer to the posted emergency procedures in each room. If a serious injury occurs, an Accident Report Form to be filled out by the attending nursery worker and given to the Nursery Coordinator.
- A telephone is available in the Toddler Room and is for emergency use only.
- A First Aid kit is located in the marked cabinet in the Toddler Nursery.

We hope that parents and children will enjoy being involved in the AUMC Nursery Program. Please feel free to provide any suggestions or comments to the Nursery Coordinator (Lisa Ricketts). Lisa can be reached at (843) 358-0804 or via e-mail at aynorbookbug@aol.com. Our ultimate goal is to provide a safe and spiritually stimulating environment for our most precious gifts from God - our children.

*I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to the Policies and Procedures set forth in this document.*

________________________________________________________  ________________
Name                                                       Date
AUMC Church Council
March 1, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Pam Dyson, Tony Adams, Susan Chandler, Charles Dawsey, Lisa Ricketts, Steve Weisen, Peachey Jordan, Joe Peavy, Chris Crain, Irene Bell, Don Hopson, Allison Best, Sylvia Page, Beth Davis, Katy Hucks, Ann Altman, Stan Woodle, Gary Altman, Susan Roach, Dorothy Jordan, David Parker, Carlisle Dawsey

Diane opens meeting with and prayer.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Staff Parish
- Susan Chandler- SPRC will be working on job descriptions for all positions in the church.

Lisa Ricketts (Backpack Buddies)
- Explains partnership with CMC and Midland that would provide food that doesn't require cooking to be carried home on Fridays in backpacks to children who are in need. Parents would sign to participate. Currently 89 children would be eligible depending on parental approval. Lisa will bring back more information to Diane.
- Beth Davis says that UMW might be able to help.

Finance
- Charles Dawsey reports that YTD collections exceed our budgeted amount.
- Finance Committee met and is working to get in compliance with getting people bonded to handle money.
- Finance Committee is going to try tallying the collection and presenting to Tony during the worship service.

Mission
- Don plans a mission trip to W.Va. April 23 - food is the biggest issue.
- Shepherd’s Table-volunteers from our church will help prepare and distribute food and clean up afterward (food will be provided). Our participation will likely be once every 6 weeks. One Sunday morning in the next several weeks, a representative will come and explain what The Shepherd’s Table needs.

Trustees
- Drainage system work is complete.
- Tony and Peachey would like carpet back in their offices.
• Please remember to lock office door when you leave. During the repair, the filing cabinets are out in the office and contain sensitive information.
• Joe says Sheldon is working on a loop system as part of our speaker system that will be installed under the carpet in the sanctuary to help those with hearing aids pick up sound.
• Discussed placement of Nursery and bathroom signs in sanctuary and hall

**Intentional Faith Development**

• Koon and Friendship Classes will meet in the class next to the Parlor. The Altman Class will move to Koon Class. College and Career visitors can attend whichever class they prefer.
• Tony asks that Lisa Ricketts be made Nursery Coordinator for Sunday School and Worship. Tony also asks that she be given permission to decorate the Nursery. Charles Dawsey makes a motion to make Lisa Ricketts Nursery Coordinator and allow redecorating. Ann Altman seconds. Motion carries.
• Joe asks Lisa to check with Trustees before decorating
• Revival is Holy Week- March 30-April 2. There will be nightly preaching on March 30-April 1. On April 2nd, revival will conclude with a showing of Mel Gibson's *The Passion of The Christ*
• Confirmands will be received into membership on Sunday, April 4
• Gary says website is aynorunitedmethodistchurch.net

Charles makes motion to adjourn.
Diane closes with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison Best
Recording Secretary-Church Council
Church Council Meeting  
Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010  
12:20PM- after Church in sanctuary  

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Rob Taylor, Don Hopson, Dot Edwards, Ann Altman, Chris Crain, Sylvia Page, Susan Chandler, Allison Best, Charles Dawsey, Darrell Ricketts, Joe Peavy, David Parker, Leanne Altman, Pastor Tony Adams  

Diane states that since Charles Dawsey is the Chairman of the Finance Committee, his name needs to be added as a signatory on the Church bank account. Motion was made by Rob Taylor that Charles Dawsey's name be added to signature card. Don Hopson seconds. All approve.  

Meeting adjourned.  

Respectfully submitted,  

Allison Best  
Recording Secretary-Church Council
AUMC Church Council
February 1, 2010 7:00 PM

Attendees: Diane Bagnal-Chair, Pam Dyson, Tony Adams, Susan Chandler, Charles Dawsey, Darrell Ricketts, Cheryl Butler, Steve Weisen, Peachey Jordan, Joe Peavy, Chris Krane, Wes Lovell, Irene Bell, Rob Taylor, Don Hopson, Allison Best, Sylvia Page, Beth Davis, Katy Hucks

Diane opens meeting with scripture and prayer.

Radical Hospitality:
Evangelism
- Darrell makes motion to accept 2010 Strategic Goals based on Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations. Charles Dawsey seconds. Motion approved.
- New software for membership. Opportunity to clean up roster. All members will be contacted for accuracy of information.
- Gary is working on web page through Ezekiel.com. Several different people can post-no webmaster. Logo and theme will be on the page.

Passionate Worship
- Sylvia-Annual programs: Veterans Day-Sun. Nov 7, 2010 4:00PM
  Christmas Cantata-Sun. Dec. 5, 2010 6:30PM
- Tony says fifth Sunday night sing was fantastic and will continue. Next one is at Pisgah.
- Ash Wednesday-Feb 17, 2010 7:00PM
- Worship Committee will conduct a Ministry Audit and report on Feb 22

Intentional Faith Development
- Wes plans to talk with Sunday School teachers about curriculum and getting back to the Bible
- Wayne Chestnut is doing a short study on Job (Feb 17-Mar 17 10:00AM)
- Feb 28th Confirmation Class
- Some people miss Sunday School Assembly. Discussion on different ways of arranging the schedule. Will try for awhile and then change as needed.
- Sunday School recruitment-will get a call from a class about attending
- Possibility of dividing up classes according to subject material-not age.

Mission and Service
- Don reports that food bank feeds 165-180 families
- Discussed working with Safe Haven to cook meals once every 6-8 weeks. No financial commitment, just time.
- Possible trip to West Virginia in May
• Talked about projects in and around the Town of Aynor (local houses, free community flea market, utility assistance)
• Food bank-discussed having one at our church again. Darrell asks that this be dealt with in committee meetings due to time constraints on Council Meetings.
• Beth scheduled the following UMW events: Salad Luncheon – Sun. June 6
  Tea Party – Nov 14

Extravagant Generosity
• Charles states that we are a little behind Budget thus far in 2010
• Possibility of a structured, spiritually based, stewardship program, bringing in people from outside to have sermons, meetings, etc.
• Darrell mentions possibility of using pledge cards
• Place a delicately worded article in the Church Newsletter regarding Legacy Gifts

Trustees

• Joe asks Council about adding signs to direct people to the restrooms and the nursery. Rob Taylor seconds the motion. Motion carried to allow signs.
• Drainage system work is going to begin soon
• Tony and Peachey will recommend to Trustees what type flooring for Church Office.
• Church Office needs a new computer. Darrell makes motion to purchase a new computer. Rob seconds. Motion carries.

Darrell makes a motion to adjourn. Charles seconds. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison Best
Recording Secretary