

The Board Met

June 26, 2013 at the beautifully floored home of Sandra Holmes.

On your behalf, they decided:

To continue with having communion the first and third Sundays, when an ordained minister is leading worship: During July and August there will only be communion once per month, since Brian will be away. Those two summer communion services will have both juice and wine. If you'd like to supply communion bread at any time, tell Mary Neathway.

To send \$40 (10% of the profits from the plant sale) to the Clearwater Food Bank: Next year's plans include keeping to the Friday night set up schedule, and having a team of gleaners go out in early May to the gardens of friends and family to dig and pot. Customers asked for raspberries and lavender this year, which we couldn't supply. Let Mary or Susan know if you'd like to have your garden raided!

To have a committee (Mary Neathway, Rev. Krushel, and Leslie Ross) read through the Church of St Paul memorandum of agreement and adapt it for our use: The Anglican bishop, Lutheran Bishop, and our Rev. Thomas are pleased we are moving forward towards shared ministry. Once a memorandum of agreement has been written, a congregational meeting will be held for discussion and agreement!

To have members of the congregation lead worship while Brian is on study leave and holiday: Leader volunteers include:

- July 21: Sandra Holmes
- July 28: Abigail Rutley,
- August 11: Leslie Stirling,
- August 18: Mary Neathway.

Do not be dismayed! You can still be the one in charge on either August 25 or September 1. Talk to Sandra Holmes to secure your date with fame.

To spend the afternoon at Dutch Lake on Wednesday July 10: Bring your own lunch, your bathing suit, canoe or kayak and enjoy a relaxing afternoon frolicking with friends.

To explore taking part in the United Church of Canada's Comprehensive Review conversation: Leslie Ross will set up a date with a facilitator and let us know when our time is to sit and chat about who we are.

To support the United Church of Canada's Alberta flood relief program: There is a bank ready on the table at the back for your money (if you want a tax receipt, put your money in your envelope, marked "Alberta flood relief" and put a note in the bank telling how much you've donated.). If you don't care about a receipt, drop in your coins or dollars. In mid July, the treasurer will tally the givings and send a cheque. The minister of High River United sent the following note to the wider church :

The church building is devastated. Water poured in from both front and back as well as through the floor boards. The sandbagging we did made absolutely no difference. In the end, there was 2 1/2 to 3 feet of water flowing through the whole church. We had an opportunity to get computers, hand bells, and many important documents to higher and safer levels, but the devastation in the church is overwhelming. It will be a long time before we will be back in the building. The challenge will be the fact that insurance will not cover this because it was flood water that damaged the building.

How can we not respond! It was also decided that we would send a card of support directly to each congregation dealing with flooding.

We are also continuing our support of the House of Ruth. Sandra delivered a bag filled with personal care items earlier this spring. Another one is in the cupboard awaiting your donations.

The Board will now take a summer break, unless there is an extraordinary need to have a meeting. The next meeting will be September 11, 2013.