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WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER FROM THE PASTORS AT FCC JUNE 3, 2009 VOL.2 #22

Acts 4:32...All the believers were in one heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. Your generous and continuous support of our church and its mission provides the seed that leads to a bountiful harvest. Without the financial support of our members, FCC becomes a barren field.



PLEASE RETURN YOUR PLEDGE CARDS TODAY!



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH

MONDAY, JUNE 15TH AT 7:00PM

In a church governed by its members,
 participation is crucial.

Summer Adult Bible Study

Led by Peggy Thibodeau
*"Psalms-
 Passion, Promise & Praise"*
 Thurs, July 9-August 20
 We'll work around vacations!



Breakfast Club

(Our last) June 11th, 8-9am
 "Valentine the Clown"
 Come celebrate 20 years of fun,
 fellowship & great speakers.



Peace Café
Youth
Coffeehouse
 Sat, June 6
 4pm, Live Bands!

Children's Sunday

June 14th
 Blended Service 10:00
 Ice Cream Social Follows
 (Chapel communion 8am)



Because you asked...

"Why isn't there a hidden key to get inside the office?"
 Access to the Church Office is limited. Records and equipment needed for the church's functioning are not open to the public. If there is a need for access after business hours, someone with a key needs to be contacted.

Constitution & By-Laws

Proposed Changes – July 1, 2009

Adding to By-Laws:

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT BOARD (Proposed Section L)

The Leadership Development Board shall develop leadership within the church by working with members to determine his/her talents.

This board will meet regularly, collaborate with boards and committees and submit a proposed slate of officers and board/committee members for approval by the Church Council prior to the first Monday in May.

The Leadership Development Board shall consist of active church members who have been members for a minimum of one year. They must have a working knowledge of the function of the various boards/committees within the church and must have been a past member of at least one board/committee.

The Leadership Development Board shall have at least 5 but not more than 7 members who shall serve staggered 3 year terms with a 6 year term limit (Maximum of two 3 year terms). The Chairperson of the Leadership Development Board shall be a member of the Church Council.

PASTORAL RELATIONS BOARD (Proposed Section M)

The Pastoral Relations Board shall consist of a three members of the church serving staggered terms of three years, with a maximum of two terms (six years).

The Pastoral Relations Board shall be recruited by the Leadership Development Board after receiving nominations of church members from the Church Council and the Pastoral Staff. The Pastoral Staff shall approve the slate before it is presented to the congregation.

The purpose of the Pastoral Relations Board is to promote the well being of the clergy staff and promote mutual ministry between the pastor(s) and the congregation in order to enhance the effectiveness of the church's ministry. The Pastoral Relations Board shall meet *at least* quarterly.

The Chairperson of the Pastoral Relations Board shall be a member of the Church Council.

The Pastoral Relations Board is accountable to the church and shall report to the church at the Annual Meeting and at any other meeting duly called according to Article 7 Section 2 of the by laws.

Change to By-Laws:

I. - Boards/Committees

Membership

Current Language:

Any member of any board or committee may resign by notifying the Chairperson of that board of committee, who shall thereupon promptly inform the moderator and /or the Senior Minister.

Proposed Change: (Church Council replaces Moderator and/or the Senior Minister)

Any member of any board or committee may resign by notifying the Chairperson of that board or committee, who shall thereupon promptly inform the Church Council.

Add to Constitution: Chairperson of Pastoral Relations Board and Chairperson
of Leadership Development Board

Article 6 CHURCH COUNCIL, Section 1. COMPOSITION

The Church Council shall consist of the Senior Minister, Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Treasurer, Church Clerk, Chairperson of the Pastoral Relations Board, Chairperson of Leadership Development Board, and Chairperson of the following boards or committees: Trustees, Deacons, Christian Education, Missions and Social Action, Stewardship, Music, Safe Church, Fellowship & Hospitality, Village Green Nursery School, one UCC delegate and one Member-at-Large. When requested, the Council will accept an alternate representative from a Board or Committee as a Council Member. All members of the Church Council shall be church members.