

Mancos United Methodist Church

Minutes from November 4, 2018 meeting

1. Meeting opened with a prayer.
2. Discussion: Everything is a gift. What are we grateful for in the last 24 hrs? How can gratefulness change the world?
3. Trustees - Parsonage project. Frances Hitchcock presented a bid for \$10,837 to update the parsonage. (painting and repairing walls, rebuilding the back porch, bathrooms, kitchen light fixtures, garage). Motion was made, seconded and approved to move forward with the bid up to \$12,000 for any extra expense that might occur.
4. Finance – attached
5. Worship, Outreach, Nurture
November 10-Day of the Dead celebration and 500-day vigil for Rosa. 3-5:00 Mexican potluck to follow. Bring pictures of loved ones and pet who have passed away to honor them. Poetry and music. Flyer attached.
November 11 – Memorial service for Dean Wolcott. 2:00 PM
November 16 – Craig will be speaking about sanctuary for a Jewish women’s group in Denver.
November 18 – Thanksgiving service – “Songs and Sacrament” 5:00 PM (no morning service). Soup supper to follow.
November 25 – Baptism for Claire Simbeck
December 1 – Decorate the church. 9:00 AM new decorations welcome.
December 12 – Charge conference in Cortez. 5 PM. All are encouraged to attend.
December 16 – Blue Christmas 5:00 PM Service to acknowledge grief and remember those who have passed.
6. Sanctuary update: Sanctuary committee is making prayer flags to sell as a fundraiser. Focus for 2019 is to get a Private Bill for Rosa sponsored and passed.
7. Other
 - a. Discussion about a giving letter and pledges. It was decided to send an end of year letter to thank everyone for supporting and participating in the ongoing ministries of the church.
 - b. Anna Taft reported that the grain bank we sponsored in Mali is going well. In Ecuador, they are in need of scholarships and medical care. Are we interested in supporting another project next year?
8. Next meeting will be December 9th to approve the budget and review the charge packet.
9. The meeting was closed with a prayer

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Secretary