

Pastoral Care Ministry Team Meeting
February 11, 2019

Attending: Suz Cate, Mary Bowman, Liz Halpin, and Kathy Hunter. Excused: Barbara Armstrong, Lynn Luszcz, Pam Mack, and Christopher Wilkerson. Meeting was called to order by Kathy Hunter, Interim Chair, at 4:04pm. We opened with a unison reading of the Prayer of St. Frances. January 2019 minutes were approved.

Discussion followed on the following topics:

1. Increasing work load of our team
2. Increasing membership of our team – how to engage more parishioners; looking at any Pastoral Care interest from the Engagement survey; engaging more with web-based meeting options; active inclusion of PCNGLs
3. Meal Train and meals for parishioners in need – Need to work with Claiborne Linville on Meal Train logistics; need a “point person” for meal ministry (Suz is working on this;) need inventory of meals in office freezer
4. Transportation for parishioners to services – need to find a parishioner to take on this ministry.
5. Prayer Shawl Ministry – Kathy is finalizing details and will write articles for HT Notes and Tempo
6. Pam Mack has created a Google Doc of parishioner names so we can better see, real time, what pastoral care has been given. More on this at our March 2019 meeting.
7. Visitation - In January 2019, Suz spent 17.5 hours on Eucharistic Visits, telephone and in-person pastoral care, visits, counseling, a death and funeral, and individual praying with parishioners. From February 1- February 11, she has logged 7 hours. Discussion followed on various parishioners and their pastoral care. Communication with parishioners with extra needs were discussed, including visits, meals, cards, Eucharist visits, and telephone calls. Mary will send cards to parishioners we discussed.
8. Health Ministry – We will put copies of the DVD series from our January 13 and 20 2019 Adult Formation sessions in our church library for check out. Suz distributed copies of a brochure entitles, “ Mental Health Conference” to be held Saturday, March 30, 2019, at Bethesda UMC in Easley. Kathy will put blurb in HT Notes and Tempo with this information. (see <http://anderson.umcsc.org/save-the-date/>)

Meeting adjourned at 5:20pm. Next Meeting: March 11, 2019, 4pm.

**minutes respectfully submitted by Kathy Hunter, February 12, 2019*