

Summary of the 2018 Annual Congregational Meeting

January 13, 2019

10:40 AM – Chairman Mike Sparks called the meeting to order and opened with a prayer.

Final ballots were distributed, voted, and collected. Results of the 2019 Board Election as follows:

Two-thirds of the 38 ballots casted are required to be approved for election. All three candidates approved: Barry Nelson (Deacon), Mark Patten (Deacon), and Larry Heschke (Trustee). Your 2019 Trustees will remain the same and the 2019 Board of Elders and Deacons will consist of Mike Sparks, Larry Heschke, Kirk Nelson, Barry Nelson, and Mark Patten (and Kami Crabtree as the youth representative/secretary notetaker).

Kami Crabtree read the minutes of last year's 2017 annual congregational meeting. Joe Draper moved to accept the minutes. Seconded by Harold Heschke. Motion carried.

Mike gave the Elders Report about the building/maintenance projects that the Board had set forth in 2018: parking lot pylons, handicap accessible front door, basement bathroom remodel with handicap-friendly features, new furnace (making that the second one in two years), and nursery remodel. Mike discussed future projects on the 2019 agenda including a new sanctuary projection system, renovations to the parsonage, and the problem of the canopy over the fellowship hall door tipping back causing water damage (Barry Nelson is currently looking into this). Mike concluded by thanking everyone for doing their part in keeping the church going.

Kirk Nelson gave a report over the Pastor Search Committee. He was very satisfied with how this board of 13 members has been narrowing down our applicant list from 22 candidates to now 6. We will set the deadline of accepting new applicants to close at the end of January. We have received three additional applicants since our last meeting and the next meeting will be Jan. 20 at 10:40 AM. A question was asked of if we are going to extend an invitation for our guest speakers to apply to be the permanent answer, and the answer was that the committee will decide at the next meeting.

Kami Crabtree gave a report regarding her employment situation. Since her position was originally just a one year contract, Kami stated that her desire for the future would be to stay on staff until the end of May, take the summer off, and then come back just as a Wednesday night volunteer youth group leader until a replacement can be found. This would mean that by the end of may, a replacement for the secretary position would have to be found. Kami then left the room for everyone to decide if/how they wanted to fund her. After mostly positive discussion, Guy Fishman motioned to keep Kami on staff through the end of May and pay her salary and rent out of the budget that we're not paying to a senior minister right now. Motion seconded by Bonnie Varce. Motion carried.

The 2018 budget was reviewed and discussed. A discussion was held over a budget for cleaning the parsonage since the pets are gone. A debate was held about extra charges for a pet deposit. Joe Draper motioned to approve the budget discussion, 2nd by Chris Weinreich. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Chris Weinreich, seconded by Larry Heschke. Larry closed in prayer at 11:40 AM.

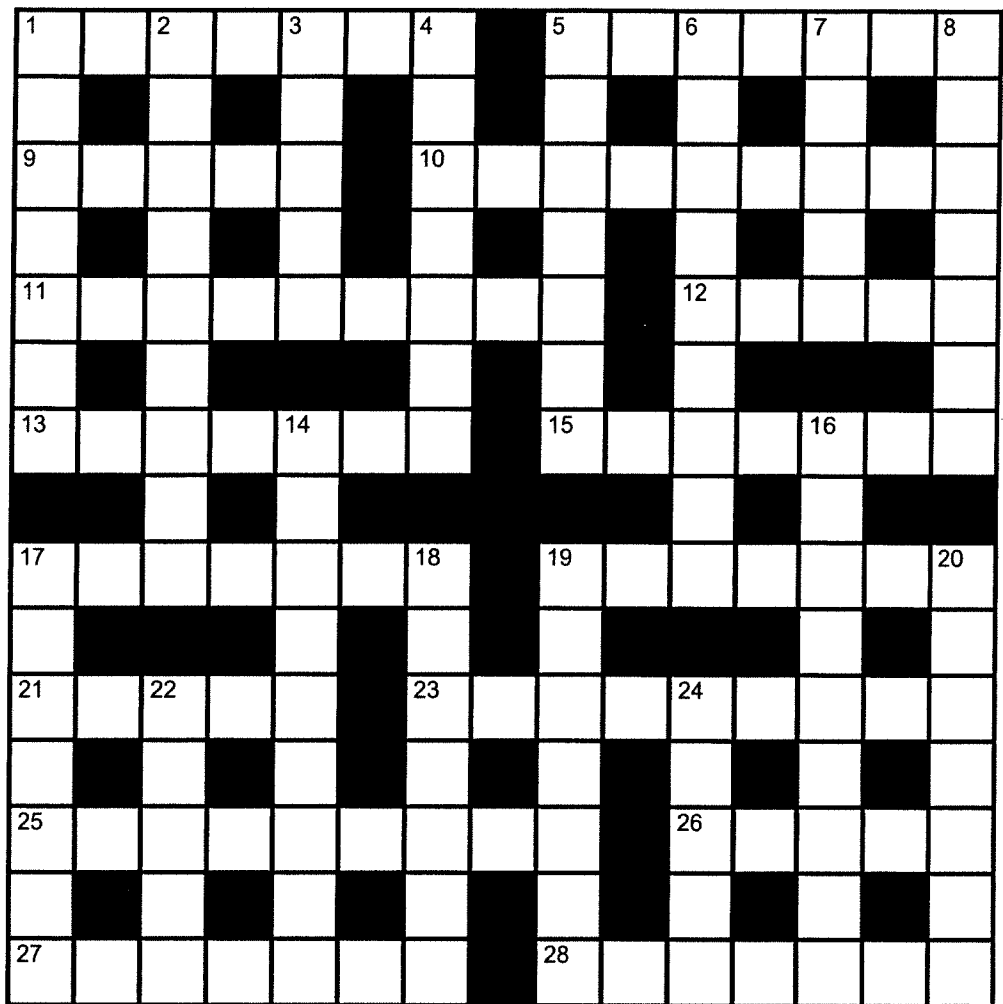
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Across

- 1 Purifies (7)
 5 Tainted (7)
 9 Forbidden objects of worship (5)
 10 Abundant (9)
 11 Wife of David (9)
 12 Lift up (5)
 13 Grapple (7)
 15 Lack of rain (7)
 17 Sennacherib's realm (7)
 19 Domain (7)
 21 Biblical clothing (5)
 23 Supplant (9)
 25 Announced (9)
 26 Tamar's brother (5)
 27 Person seeking redress for wrong (7)
 28 Decorates (7)

Down

- 1 Colourful arc seen after the flood (7)
 2 Forehead ornaments (9)



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- 3 Bird homes (5)
 4 Greatest in status (7)
 5 Servant (7)
 6 Time of day (9)
 7 Ruth's mother in law (5)
 8 Lineage (7)
 14 Separating wheat from chaff (9)
 16 Legion's people (9)
 17 King who was almost persuaded to be a Christian (7)
 18 One more (7)
 19 Pummelled bread (7)
 20 Grass clippings (7)
 22 Holy book (5)
 24 Barter (5)