

CALL TO ORDER — Opening Prayer + Attendance

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of August 29 Stated Meeting were approved

REVIEW OF TREASURER’S REPORT: August 2007 Treasurer’s report was reviewed

Regular Offering.	7,868.75.	79,922.25
Total Income.	9,327.58.	99,663.57
Total Expenses.	13,435.55.	101,882.30
Income-Expenses.	-4,107.97.	-2,218.73

CLERK’S REPORT

1. Membership actions: Virginia O’Mara was removed from the Active Roll due to death, September 12, 2007.
2. Average worship attendance: September 2007: 98
3. Correspondence. The Clerk passed around correspondence regarding the work of the Form of Government revision task force ... AMC hospice is looking for volunteers willing to be trained.

PASTOR’S REPORT

1. Reminders.

- Vacation: Friday, October 5 - Saturday, 13. The Rev. Shari Dobyns will be the guest speaker on October 7, World Communion Sunday.
- Worksheets for Committee requests in the 2008 Budget are due back in the Church Office by Sunday, October 21.

2. Communion Servers. Servers for Communion on October 7 are as follows:

1	Chuck Blackley	5	Jerry Fry	9	Earl Flower
2	Richard Beard	6	Danny Fields	10	Matthew Robertson
3	Frank Brown	7	Mary Rainey	11	Stewart Sherwood
4	William Jack	8	James Mader	12	Kay Moyer

Preparation: James Mader and Danny Fields

If you cannot serve, please arrange for a substitute and notify Elder Stewart Sherwood.

3. Youth Activities. On Sunday, September 30, an outing for children and youth is planned at the Buffalo Gap Corn Maze. Hopefully, this will be the start of a program of regular activities, particularly for the middle school and up age group. I am going to suggest to them a hike on a trail off the Blue Ridge Parkway in October. Also, I hope to get some in this group interested in revamping our Jesse Tree materials, so we can use it as an Advent focus this year, with our youth interpreting the symbols each week.

4. Stewardship Campaign – Minutes for Mission. The time for the annual Stewardship Campaign is rapidly approaching. Here is the schedule of Minutes for Mission:

- October 14. Mission (World Food Day luncheon/offering)
- October 21. Christian Education
- October 28. Property
- November 4. Membership and Outreach
- November 11. Worship and Music
- November 18. Stewardship and Finance (Stewardship Sunday)

If this schedule is not suitable, try to make a trade with another committee, and let the Church Office know of any changes.

5. Congregational Meeting. The meeting of the Congregation to elect elders and a trustee is scheduled for Sunday, October 28. The first call for this meeting will be placed in the October 14 bulletin, and will run for three Sundays.

STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS

1. Christian Education – Next meeting: TBA

Thanks expressed to the Rally Day crew (Paul Wolfe, David King, Teri King, Kay Mader); at least 45 in attendance ... Corn Maze trip, planning meeting and pizza.

2. Membership and Outreach – Next meeting: October 22, 7:00 p.m. in the parlor

Possible programs: Virginia Christmas Spectacular at Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg (1st and 2nd weekends of December), usually 1 program Friday, 2 on Saturday and Sunday; tickets are \$10 each.

3. Mission – Next meeting: 10/31, 6:00 p.m.

World Food Day luncheon and hunger offering (October 14) ... committee will arrange for the soups; congregation asked to bring sandwiches ... possibly offering a flu clinic day, in cooperation with Bethany Church.

4. Property – Next meeting: 10/31, 6:30 p.m. (???)

No report.

5. Stewardship and Finance – Next meeting: 10/29, 6:00 p.m.

\$7,000 retainer from Community Bank is invested in a CD ... Trustees have signed the contract; we are providing documentation for the purpose of completing the necessary court filings.

6. Worship and Music – Next meeting: 10/31, 6:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving Eve service, hanging of the greens, Advent, and Christmas Eve services are all on the committee's agenda ... ordering supplies (candles for candlelight service, candles for other decorations).

7. Personnel.

Allen Archer will stay with us as interim organist for the indefinite future.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Rental Property sale** – S&F/Trustees (8/29) – see the S&F committee report, above

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Elder Commissioner:** Tuesday, November 13 meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery. – Carolyn Rush
2. **Upcoming meetings:**
 - a. **Session:** Wednesday, October 31, 2007 – 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
 - b. **Shenandoah Presbytery:** Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at Mt. Horeb Church, Grottoes, VA (9:30 a.m.)
 - c. **Highland-Augusta Mission Community:** Thursday, January 10, 2008 at Tinkling Spring (6:30 p.m.)

ADJOURNMENT