

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – SANTA ROSA**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES – OCTOBER 10, 2018**

The Finance Committee of Santa Rosa First United Methodist Church met on October 10, 2018 in the Montgomery Campus Carriage House. Present were: Sam Cox, Marty Thompson, Peg Ferrel, Lynn Garrison, Mike Ferrel, Naomi Niimi, Janet Tonkin, and Mary Brunet, Church Business Administrator.

Peg opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:04.

The minutes of the September meeting approved as submitted.

The September Financial Report was presented and discussed.

The current deficit stands at \$11,369, a considerable improvement from a couple of months ago. Encouraging thoughts were expressed regarding income for the remainder of the year.

**Stewardship**

The Fall Financial Campaign has the theme of Dessert First. The intent is to make it serious, yet whimsical. It will begin October 28, and Consecration Sunday will be November 18.

**Preliminary Budget Work**

Paul O'Rear has requested a base budget by October 27. This budget would be what is needed to continue current operations. The Finance Committee will have a special Budget Workshop meeting on Tuesday October 23 at 7:30.

Sam announced that he has taken the job of interim Treasurer for the preschool. Steps are being taken to clarify and update the relationship between the church and the preschool.

**Ministry Fair**

There were people who expressed interest in being money counters and serving on the committee. They will be contacted to confirm.

The regular November meeting will be held Wednesday, November 14, at 7:00 pm.

Following a closing prayer, the committee adjourned at 8:10.

Submitted by Mike Ferrel