

SJTW Women's Group Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2018

An informal meeting of the Women's Group took place on Thursday, December 13 at 6:30 PM in the home of Barbara Callan with 18 members present.

The meeting was in conjunction with the group's annual Christmas party. Members took the opportunity to sign a Christmas card for Father Julius.

The following items were discussed:

Thank you to members who volunteered for the number of funerals and memorial services that occurred in October through November and into early December. In regard to the role that the Women's group plays in providing luncheons on behalf of the family, it was discussed and agreed that for any afternoon funeral, we would supply desserts and beverages. A luncheon would be provided for morning funerals only. Father Orr suggested this practice when he was Pastor and it worked well. We also suggest that a family member directly contact Barbara Callan or Nancy McHugh to arrange our services. Sue MacDuff can be also be a contact if unable to reach Barbara or Nancy.

Concerning the tablecloths that we considered to purchase. After much research, we find that the cost is rather unaffordable at this time.

The group must vote on events and dates for the 2019 Church calendar. Members decided meetings would remain on the third Saturday morning of the month at 10:00 AM. We do not meet in early summer months (except we do start up in August). Cancellations will be announced through email and the church bulletin. We will not meet in January 2019. Book club meets every other month and gets their message out to participating members.

Members voted to have an Italian Dining Out on the third **Saturday in October – the 19th**. Members voted to set ticket price at 12.00 this next year. This is our regular meeting date and reserving the hall for the entire day allows set up and clean up time

Members voted to continue the tradition of our Advent Tea by Candlelight (every two years). With a late Thanksgiving in 2019, we need to schedule our Tea on December 5th – which is a Thursday evening. This allows time for participants to get back home from holiday travel and have time to prepare for the tea. We can't really go into the next week of the Christmas season. Our practice is to have eight tables for our tea, so we need to plan early for those who will work together to host a table. Check your calendars and talk to your friends; we ask that two or three women co-host a table. We have already started on ideas for a program. We will need to reserve the church hall for Wednesday December 4th and Thursday December 5th for this event.

Barbara will send these reservation dates to the church secretary for the church calendar.

2018 December financial report by Nancy McHugh, Treasurer:

BEGINNING BALANCE: \$ 5,695.7

DEPOSITS: NONE

EXPENSES: \$. 100.00 (CHK. #388 pd. To NCCW for Dues for 2019)

\$ 10.00 (CHK. # 389 pd to Smoky Mtn. Deanery for Dues for 2019)

\$ 250.00 (CHK.# 390 pd to Fr. Julius Abuh / Merry Christmas)

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$ 360.00

ENDING BALANCE: \$ 5,335.74

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Barbara Callan, President