

Starmount Fellowship Committee Minutes
September 10, 2018

Fellowship's Objective: Providing opportunities for people to build community with each other and God.

Present were: Elaine Gustafson, Carollynn Campbell, Frances Gallagher, Karen Smith, Richard Porter, and Rev. Dr. Kathryn Campbell as staff liaison.

- Opening Prayer: Carollynn Campbell
- Approval of August Minutes
- **Lemonade on the Porch evaluation:** The 15 Sundays were covered by volunteers, with some folks using Signup Genius to register. We will continue to use the pre-made lemonade in the jugs instead of the powder lemonade and dispensers. The cart will be utilized again with instructions laminated for volunteers' reference rather than sending out emails. We may ask someone to serve as the coordinator next year.
- **Kick off Sunday evaluation:** We estimate that there were approximately 170 in attendance. All the food was consumed: 160 hamburgers, 82 hot dogs, 48 veggie burgers!
- **Wonderful Wednesdays will be held on September 19 and 26, and October 3 and 10.** The theme is "Where in the World is Starmount?: A Travelogue." Members of the church will be approached by committee members to see if they would be willing to share their recent travel experiences. Questions will be provided to the presenters in advance to direct the program: e.g. What was the best part of the trip? What travel tips would you give? What surprised you? Members of the church can sign up for the dinner/programs through "Signup Genius". Those registering for all four events will receive a discount on their meals. Meals will be served from 5:45 to 6:30 with the 45-minute program to follow. A separate Signup Genius form will be created as a way to recruit event helpers.
- **Fall Festival with Trunk or Treat: October 28, 4:30-6:30 PM:** The event will run similar to last year's. We will have two food trucks, 2 bounce houses, CSI vehicles, Hay Ride, and the band Cruze Control. Advertising is set to go out for this event via slides, newsletter, and line items in the bulletins. Request for bags of candy and decorators of car trucks will begin in late Sept.
- **Montreat Family Retreat: November 9-11th:** there will be an optional over night for the 12th. The theme will be "The Gospel According to Mr. Rogers" presented by Rev. Dr. Kathryn Campbell. Pastor Kathryn will create a registration form on the church's website.
- **Christmas Eve Dinner:** Monday, December 24th. The Committee has elected to have a free will donation to cover the expense of the meal. Typically 100+ people partake in the dinner.
- **Other items discussed were:** Once a month Friday night events *such as:* a talent show (Starmount Stars) on January 11, Theater production with dinner on February 8th, Ash Wednesday Mardi Gras/Bingo on March 6th. Caroling will be on Friday, Dec. 21st. Next Year's Wonderful Weds. will be 3/13, 3/27, 4/3, and 4/10.
- **Next meeting:** October 8th, 6-7 pm. Elaine Gustafson is excused from this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Carollynn Campbell