

Brainstorming ideas we're mulling

We brainstormed the following ideas at the April 10 Town Hall Meeting and discussed them in small groups April 17. Keep praying for direction.

Board of Christian Ed

Hold weekly VBS-like events
Game night/Puzzle night
Poetry Readings
Kids' Concert
Ice cream social
Other suggestions:
Hold men's group events
Become more welcoming to
visitors, including relatives
Hold classes on how to be
more welcoming to visitors
Hold interdenominational Bible study here or in community

Bible study
Leadership training
Mid-week study group
Host a Teddy bear picnic

Worship committee (none currently active)

Get more choir members Update music Have weekend overnight retreat

Trustees

Paint the front door red

steps Fix basement steps New floor in nursery Repair carillon system (now unplugged) Plant more flowers Get a "Parking" sandwich board Improve signage Get a van Leave side parking for visitors (Parking will be unavailable during road work) Fix ramp (Must wait for road work to be completed) Paint church and repair rail on tower (Bell tower must be repaired first)

Put yellow strips on outside

Deacons

Make changes in our service, if necessary, to attract target groups
Membership classes
Follow-up with absentee
Hold a revival
Form covenant groups
Go to Open Door Mission
Reach out to Bennington Hills and RIT
Provide rides

Church

Grow toward consensus

Be involved in our community and talk about our church
Assess our gifts so that everyone can find at least one to further our fellowship and expand our membership
Assess how outsiders see us spiritually and mechanically and make improvements
Welcome our new pastor

tor
Hire a pastor who will

be visible in the community

Revise our constitution

Fellowship

(No current committee)
Have an activities group
with monthly activities.
Really get to know each
other.

Hold church dinners. Hold sing-a-longs Host evenings open to the public with speakers

Outreach

Spread God's love through encouragement

Hold programs out in the community Hold concert with Eastman students (& us) Decide whom we want to target Do bring-a-friend activi-Sponsor a Friday night "hangout" targeting younger people Hold an open house Prepare welcome packets/ baskets for new complexes Invite newer neighborhoods to a welcoming coffee Visit within a one-mile Appoint a committee to go each week to recruit people to our church Hold an advertised monthly breakfast before

Fundraise

Hold a:

Turkey dinner Thanksgiving dinner Raffle Bake sale Craft fair Garage sale

Sunday worship.

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Sunday Servants

May 1

Invocation: Valerie Bandemer

Scripture: Betty Heisig Prayer: Marti Spaker **Greeter:** Bonnie Healy

Nursery: BOCE

Fellowship: Roberta Miller

May 8

Invocation: Connie Necaster

Scripture: Mary Bailey **Prayer:** Leanna Shirley Greeter: Roberta Miller

Nursery: BOCE

Fellowship: Betty Heisig

May 15

Invocation: Leanna Shirley

Scripture: Dan Scurlock **Prayer:** Clara White **Greeter:** Bonnie Healy

Nursery: BOCE

Fellowship: The Scurlocks

May 22

Invocation: Marti Spaker **Scripture:** Kathy Gosnell **Prayer:** Connie Necaster **Greeter:** Roberta Miller

Nursery: BOCE

Fellowship: Gretchen Young

May 29

Invocation: Kathy Gosnell Scripture: Clara White **Prayer:** Valerie Bandemer **Greeter:** Roberta Miller

Nursery: BOCE

Fellowship: Roberta Miller



Grove of Grace

The Alphabet of Action for Christian Believers

Arising with "Alleluias!"

Boasting God's goodness.

Celebrating Salvation through Jesus

Delivering God's Good News.

Expecting Miracles!

Fulfilling goals through divine faith.

Going step-by-step through God's Word.

Holding firm in faith.

Inviting souls to meet Jesus.

Joining in Jubilance over salvation in Jesus

Knowing God will supply all my needs though His riches in Christ Jesus

Loving the Trinity.

Mining the treasures in God's Word.

Netting souls for Jesus in the sea of life.

Praising God for Jesus.

Quickly testifying God's faithfulness.

Sending healing notes of cheer to the suffering.

Tributing God's perfect timing.

Uplifting souls with assurance of God's Love.

Vigorously testifying of God's Watchfulness.

Willingly ready to serve God.

X-ing in God's blessings.

Yielding to help encourage the down hearted.

Zapping away negativity with the positive Love of God through Jesus Christ.

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Town Meetings

May 1 & 15

During Fellowship

Men's Breakfast

7 a.m. Tuesdays at Peppermints

Prayer Meeting

9 a.m. Saturdays

Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Wednesdays

Pastoral Search

6:30 p.m. Thursdays



May 1: Chris Heisig

May 8: Grant Adams &

Marlene Thayer

May 11: Josina McCarroll

May 12: Devonne Buskey

May 15: Shawn Teeter &

Kathleen Gosnell

May 17: Jessica Lyn Heisig

May 21: Billy Henry

May 23: GeorgeZima

May 25: Laurie Davis

May 27: Paul Musham

May 29: Valerie Bandemer