

St Timothy's Memorial Chapel Committee
Report to Yellowstone Presbytery
November, 2014

The September 2014 meeting was held at the Chapel at noon on September 8, 2014. A quorum was present and the meeting was opened with prayer.

Major items of business were:

Worship – Summer Pastors for the 2015 season were approved. Rev. Andrew Mullin will be present for the first two Sundays, Rev. Bob Young, a Presbyterian Pastor from Texas, will preach for the next four Sundays and Rev. Wayne Boulton will lead worship for the last 6 Sundays.

After several years of declining attendance and giving there was a 10% increase in attendance and a corresponding 13% increase in giving during 2014. The increases would have been greater but the second Sunday was real stormy and no services were held.

Long Range Plan – The committee reviewed the updated Long Range Plan, which has been under development for the past year, and voted to recommend it to presbytery for their concurrence (see attached)..

Finance and Investment Subcommittee ó Treasurer Gary Rowe was not present to present the Treasurer's report. Ron will ask him to e-mail the report to the members and include a preliminary budget for 2015.

Public Address System – Ray Treblehorn presented an updated proposal for a public address system which everyone agreed was needed. The installed cost, based on the bids that were received was just under \$12,000. The committee voted to authorize \$6,000 for the system if Ray can come up with another \$6,000. It is expected that the system will be installed yet this year.

Road Relocation – It does not appear that the road will be done this year. ARCO plans to pay the Southern Cross Company. Ron has met with their engineer and the County Planning Director. We may have to grant an easement to Southern Cross for a sliver of land for the road. This small sliver of land will in no way effect the future development plans of the committee.

Labyrinth and Columbarium – The location of these elements was discussed. Since the meeting we have received a draft design of and a preliminary cost estimate for these two facilities. The committee will make a decision on these facilities at its January 12th meeting. Both these facilities are part of the Long Range Plan.

50th Anniversary Celebration – The celebration is scheduled for July 25-26, 2015. Rev. Tom Long has been secured as the guest speaker. The thought is that the presbytery might be able to take advantage of his presence in Montana and have him present some sort of a workshop. Details of the celebration will be finalized at our January 12th meeting.