

Deacons Meeting
November 5, 2014

1. Rev. Tutt opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. Communion. Communion will be held every Sunday in Advent, beginning Nov. 30. Bebe will set up a schedule of which Deacons will be serving on each Sunday and on December 24. If necessary she will contact former Deacons to help with this.
3. New members. Tim reported that there are three possible new members.
4. Fund request. Alejandro asked if Deacons could provide \$1500 from their budget to cover the cost of a brass ensemble for one of the services. This was later amended to request \$1000 for the brass for the service and \$500 to help cover the cost of the Ramzi premiere. The request was approved.
5. Help will also be needed to handle a collection request being sent to all Potomac Association churches.
6. Copies of the 2013 Annual report were distributed and Deacons were asked to provide suggestions/ drafts as to what to include in the 2014 report.
7. Service. Several points/questions were raised with regard to the service. Is the second hymn right after the end of the children's sermon needed? Tim feels it fits and likes it. Is there a reason for having people stand when the scripture is read? It keeps people alert and attentive.
8. Janet Hofmeister is contacting people about joining Deacons in 2015.
9. Tim asked if we had heard anything from CJ Abramowitz-Rodriguez.. Deacons have not heard from him since his paper was read and discussed and forwarded to the Association. Tim will follow up with him. Since CJ is not a member of Westmoreland he can't be "in care" with us.
10. Diane volunteered to make sure that there are sufficient candles for the Christmas Eve service.
11. The next Deacon's meeting will be Wednesday, December 3 at 7:15 in the Library.
12. Janet Hofmeister closed the meeting with a prayer.