



# Peterson and Alta United Methodist Churches

# OCTOBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Faith & Stitches Alta – 10am	3 Alta UMW 2pm  Alta Board 7pm	4	5	6 Peterson Men's Group 7:30am  Conference UMW Annual Meeting
7 World Communion Sunday	8 Alta – Sparks 5:30-6:15pm	9 Faith & Stitches Alta – 10am  Charge Conference @ 7pm At Alta UMC	10 Peterson UMW 9:30am  Peterson Board 7pm	11	12	13
14	15 Alta - Sparks 5:30 – 6:15pm  Peterson UMC hosts Peterson Lion's Club Supper	16 Faith & Stitches Alta – 10am	17	18	19	20 Peterson Men's Group 7:30am
21 Randy Ericksen Fundraiser	22 Alta – Sparks 5:30-6:15pm	23 Faith & Stitches Alta – 10am	24	25	26	27
28	29 Alta – Sparks 5:30-6:15pm	30 Faith & Stitches Alta – 10am	31			

Deadline for items to be included  
in the coming Sunday bulletin is the  
preceding Thursday at 2pm.

Deadline for items to be included  
in the November newsletter is  
Tuesday, October 23, at 2pm.

**Peterson**  
Worship 8:45 am  
Fellowship 9:45 am  
Sunday School 10am @UMC

**Alta**  
Fellowship 10:00 am  
Worship 10:45 am

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## Alta UMC Board Minutes – Thursday, September 6, 2018

**The District Superintendent Pastor Ron Carlson spoke to the 22 members and friends before the September Alta UMC Administrative Board Meeting.**

Pastor Ron passed out minutes from a meeting he had been a part of on August 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Pastor Ron then shared a handout that included current context of what is Alta's UMC PASS partnership. The overall notes that Pastor Ron shared showed that there was a review of the current PASS structure and there is a \$1000 dollars being spent in excess of what is being received in to the church.

The plan from Pastor Ron is to go to the conference cabinet and propose a ½ time appointment with Peterson that would save insurance and salary costs which would amount to \$18000 annually. This would help free up money that would help with the amount of dollars that the church is short each month. Pastor Ron will propose this to the Bishop and his recommendation will be to make the change as soon as possible rather than wait until next July when changes like this usually occur.

**Question**—Is this arrangement taking out the possibility of doing something with Aurelia UMC in the future? Presently, this would not be a consideration but it would certainly be up for consideration at a later date.

**Question**—What will this result in as far as a church service time? The opinion would be that the service time would be better earlier. This would be discussed after the proposal was accepted by the Bishop.

### Call to Order Chairperson--Wes Holmes

The Administrative Board of the Alta United Methodist Church met Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. The meeting was called to order by Wes Holmes at 7:16 pm in Anderson Hall with members in attendance: Wes Holmes, Pat Patten, Kevin Flaherty, Shelly Flaherty, Dr. Keith Geyer, Sue Geyer, Collen Goodwin, Jane Weber, Glen Huntington, Ruth Hoferman, Peg and Chuck Specketer, Ed and Shirley Petersen, Lesa Hesckhe, Pastor Karen, and Pastor Kim opened with prayer.

**Secretary's Report/Minutes from Last Meeting:** The minutes were read from the August Administrative Board Meeting and they were approved and seconded.

**Treasurer's Report:** Colleen Goodwin offered the financial report. There had been a transfer of 4477.72 that had been transferred from the Presidential acct. These dollars were marked as general fund money. Current balance in the General Fund is \$7236.74

Colleen Goodwin proposed that the Trustees be paid monthly rather than quarterly. This change would help with making it clearer what is on the books. The checks are received by the church and are made out to the church so they go to the church account and that amount is recorded and paid quarterly as the checks are designated as being for the trustees. The treasurer report was moved to accept and seconded.

### Reports:

**Trustee Representatives:** There was approval last month to pull the money from the Athena account.

Biannual report for church incorporation is in the works and the papers have been signed and have been mailed.

The prayer garden will be located southeast side of the church.

There was a request that the church windows need to be cleaned and checked to make sure that they are in working condition.

Pastor Kim requested that the conference forms be returned.

Dr.Keith Geyer reported that the rental occupants have met have met with the lawyers and they are in conversation with Keith and the lawyer.

Pastor Kim reported that she has entered the church a few times in the last few months and the fireplace was on. Discussion was had about what might be causing that to happen and she reported that she could unplug it possibly.

There was also awareness that there were a few lights out in Anderson Hall and Kevin proposed that the existing lights be switched to LED which would save cost.

**Finance Representatives:** Wes Holmes asked about putting the offering plates in the safe.

The letter of financial need that will be sent out to existing members was passed out. Wes Holmes asked about how soon we wanted the letter sent out. It was discussed that the letter be sent as soon as possible. The letters will be printed by the end of next week and Kevin, Shelley, and Glen have agreed to fold and stuff envelopes. Wes asked for a motion to approve the financial need letter and it was seconded. No further discussion. Members present approved and motion carried.

**UMW:** President 13 members were present at the September meeting held on September 6<sup>th</sup>. There was a vote made and it was decided that the members of the UMW would no longer serve and organize the funerals at the Alta UMC. Due to the health and age of our members it is no longer possible to do so. It is with deep regret we are no longer able to provide this service. The change will be documented in the church guidelines for funerals and memorial services.

50 school kits were assembled for the In Gathering.

Hygiene kits will be assembled in October.

Ingathering is November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Cherokee.

Pastor Kim was presented a Special Mission Recognition Certificate and lapel pin for her support and the active role she takes in mission work of the churches she serves and the people of these communities.

The next meeting will be held October 4, at 9:30 at the church. It will be a Mission Work Day. Bring a sack lunch. Everyone is invited to come and fellowship together.

**Youth Representative:** Jessica is hoping to be involved in the TEK (Teen Encounter Christ) in November.

**Hospitality:** On September 30<sup>th</sup> after simple church there will be a potluck lunch. Two people are needed to make coffee and lemonade.

**Outreach:** Pastor Kim reported that there was a goal of making 50 school kits and the goal was met. The goal for Hygiene kits is to make 25 bags in October. Back to School Blast Off was a success with about 34 attending and 14 of them were children .

**Disciple Growth:** Sparks will not start until October.

**Membership Life:** Shelly Flaherty reported that she will meet to fill out a membership form by the end of the month. Pastor Kim will take the historian form to Randy next time she goes to visit.

**Worship--Ruth Hoferman & Peg Specketer** Wonderful to have Ruth back.

**The Lord's Cupboard:** August—16 families were served with 64 individuals as a part of that number. There was an offering of \$58 dollars from the United Methodist and Cherokee FSA offered a large donation of much needed items last Friday. December and January are the months for the Alta UMC to help at the Lord's Cupboard. Volunteer needed.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Kim reported that Randy walked down the hall without a walker. He is able to move his left shoulder. There is a fundraiser in the works to help Randy out and it will involve all of the organizations that Randy was a part of. There will be a silent auction and it will probably take place on a Sunday. The school is being looked at as a possible location.

Pastor Kim discussed what to do with paying Randy's salary. The amount is \$270.40 a month. Randy does have insurance but he will hit his maximum. A motion was made to pay Randy's salary for his secretarial position for the month of September. The motion was seconded and all approved by saying aye and the motion carried. The Mission and Ministry plan of 2019 was shared with the additions and changes being read by Pastor Kim.

There was discussion about what members could be asked and/or recommended for the 2019 board.

PASS team meets on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Basic lay service training is the 29<sup>th</sup>. Simple Church is scheduled for the 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:45. October 3<sup>rd</sup> is the next UMW meeting.

October 3<sup>rd</sup> is the next Admin meeting.

**Next meeting date and time:** The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Today's minutes were read and approved.

**Closing Prayer:** Jane Weber closed the meeting with prayer.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was motioned to adjourn and seconded at 8:35 p.m.