

Co-President Nancy Stark opened the meeting with a fitting devotional. Linda Wilson presented Dr. Mark Wethington whom she had asked to speak on his vision for Duke Memorial and the role United Methodist Women can play in this venture. He expressed his feeling that the "world is our parish", rather than the church itself. The church exists to serve, not to be served. The church tends to become preoccupied to serve and maintain itself, whereas it should serve as a chanel through which God's grace flows into the world. The church must exercise a ministry which allows the transforming grace of God to flow. We should ask ourselves, what doe we have to give to the church and its ministry.

Business:

Juanita Stott reported on her recent attendance at the Annual Meeting held in Fayetteville. Duke Memorial was recognized as a "seven star unit" for the first time.

Minutes of the September meeting were read and approved as corrected. Charlotte Corbin gave the report for Treasurer Dot McMillan. We have a current balance of \$2242.55. This figure includes \$1500 which was transferred from savings in order to avoid a bank service charge.

Our November meeting will be held immediately following morning worship on November 1. A covered dish luncheon will be served. Members are asked to remain and work on centerpiece decorations for use at Methodist Retirement Homes at Christmas. Eugenia Dixon advised that she needs \$75 to purchase candles for this project. This expenditure was authorized.

Linda passed around a sign-up sheet for the UMW reading program.

Eugenia reminded us that Wednesday, October 14 will be "sewing day" for Methodist Home Retirement items. She also expressed a need for typewriter tables on which sewing machines can be placed and left for future use, thus avoiding heavy lifting of the machines.

Ann Stallings asked for a volunteer to read the Bible to an elderly lady.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon followed by a bountiful covered dish luncheon.

Beulah Latta

Beulah Latta, Recording Secretary

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Business:

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Our November meeting will be held immediately following morning worship on November 1. A covered dish luncheon will be served. Members are asked to remain and work on conference resolutions for use at Methodist Assembly at Christmas. Linda Wilson advised that she needs \$200 to purchase supplies for this project. This amount was authorized.

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Linda Wilson, Recording Secretary