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Church Information Session - Second Quarter 2021 Saturday, June 19, 2021

Call to Order	The Church Information Session was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Pastor Youngblood.
Attendance	32 (joined via the Zoom platform).
Scripture	The scripture was read by Minister Rosemary Martin. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 Corinthians 13:9-11
Prayer	Deacon Trainee, Elliot Flavors provided the opening prayer.
Information Session	<p>Pastor began by checking in with all members/attendees who joined today's session to ensure everyone continues to be well during the pandemic.</p> <p><u>Clerk's Update:</u> Leslie Turner informed the Congregation that all 2nd quarter reports have been uploaded to the church website.</p> <p><u>Deacon's Update:</u> Deacon Cheryl Graves informed the Congregation that the Deacons continue to meet during the pandemic while awaiting for the reopening of in-person church services.</p> <p><u>Treasurer's Update:</u> Cynthia Blades-Woods provided a brief update on the church finances.</p> <p><u>Trustees's Update:</u> Carol Ziegler indicated work has gone into the rental house on 10th street. The initial cost for the call was \$824.65 and another expense for \$3,247.95 to complete repairs. In preparation for reopening the church, members donated approximately \$4,000 for upgrades to the AV sound system. Finally, two new lease renewals have been secured for the church rental properties.</p> <p><u>Church Re-Entry Update:</u> Gwen Dupree, chair of the Church Re-Entry Team provided an update on re-entering the church. The team consisted of Donald Leonard, Anna Flavors, Quilla Epps, and Elmore Williams. The team met over the past several months to devise a safe re-entry plan ensuring all guidelines were considered and implemented. Gwen briefly shared the re-entry plan with the Congregation. The current plan follows the Center for Disease (CDC)</p>

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	<p>guidelines. The date the church will reopen remains pending but Pastor indicated a tentative date of re-entry will be available the week of June 21st.</p> <p><u>Pastor’s Contract:</u> Pastor informed the Congregation that his 3-year contract, with a 1-year optional extension will be up for renewal effective July 31, 2021. Pastor indicated he would like to have a serious, in-depth, transparent conversation, which would be open to, members only, of the Congregation to review, discuss and make a decision on next steps. At this time, Pastor proposed having the contract meeting on the third Saturday in July (July 17th.) Pastor has expressed concerns with his contract and has asked that if the Congregation has concerns regarding his contract that they bring concerns to the meeting to be shared and discussed. Pastor is open to sharing his contract with the members prior to the July meeting. Deacon Cheryl Graves proposed announcing the special meeting to the Congregation at least 2 weeks prior so that members have an opportunity to join. Pastor will announce earlier than 2 weeks which will give members ample time to learn of the meeting and prepare to join. The announcement will also be posted in The Church Vine.</p> <p>The attendees of today’s Informational Session engaged in a lengthy discussion and provided feedback on the approach to bring the contract discussion to the members. Recommendations were made to discuss contract concerns with the Deacons, Leadership Team and or auxiliary chairs prior to holding an open discussion involving all church members.</p> <p>Pastor will notify the members on the approach that will be taken surrounding the contract meeting.</p>
Scripture	Prophetess Lacy shared scripture - Philippians 4:8.
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 10:16a.m. Pastor closed with prayer.

In His Service,



Leslie M. Turner
Church Clerk