

FCC CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 3.9.2025

Christy Thompson, Council Moderator, opened the meeting with prayer after the late service in the sanctuary with 44 present and 2 online. The purpose of the meeting, which had been publicized in the newsletter and in the services for the previous 2 weeks, was to approve acquiring new flooring on the lower level. After about 6 months of searching, obtaining bids etc, the plans were finalized, submitted and approved by the Council February 26.

Bob Corbin described the project as installing vinyl tile from the west to the east door, the cost of which exceeds 5% of the budget requiring congregational approval. Plans were drawn up by the Decorating Committee (Sandra Brown, Joyce Ketcher, Sheila Kirkpatrick, Cindy Gray, and Jacque Hart).

Motion by Bob Corbin as follows: Motion for the Congregation of First Christian Church to approve spending up to \$35,000 to replace carpet in the designated areas on the ground floor hallway with vinyl tile as recommended by the Decorating Committee using Decorative Dimensions. Bob Jorgenson seconded.

Much Q&A followed. On financing, it was explained the money was coming from capital project funds, with ½ to be paid upfront and delivery in May. No funds from the budget. It started with the removal of the boiler by Wards which damaged the carpet. Damage was assessed and they are paying portion of costs. We are holding about \$7.5k owed to them for the original work as part of their portion. There being other damage and for easier maintenance, the timing seemed good to replace. All alternatives were considered including carpet, tile etc. Carpet option was unavailable. When looking at damage, asbestos fibers were found in the glue which was mediated. The choice of vinyl was based on the similar flooring at the high school installed 4 years ago. Committee was impressed by its durability for UV light exposure and wheelchair marks. There was only one local source for this vinyl.

Vote was unanimous with 2 votes online.

Meeting adjourned.