



# Deacons

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## Deacons' Meeting Agenda

12 Aug, 2025 at 6:30 pm

**Call to Order** (Sandy M.): Pastor JJ, 2 Deacon Emeriti, 17 Deacons present

**Prayer Requests/Praises** (Sandy M.) Kaye Jacobs, Joyce Stehling, Ron Graves, Lisa Wise, Tim Crist, Jimmy Brewer, Liz Alston, Wayne Crist, Kerri Ashlock

**Opening Prayer:** (Bob Stroupe)

September Meeting Volunteer: (**David King**)

**Five Minute Devotional:** (Mike Hanshaw) Role of prayer in leadership

September Meeting Volunteer: (**Bob Stroupe**)

### Old Business:

1. Review of last meeting minutes: Opening prayer and five minute devotional volunteers were omitted from the July minutes

### New Business:

1. Church Calendar (Sandy M.)
  - a. Men's Breakfast scheduled Saturday, August 23rd; cook volunteers needed; Wayne Austin: cooks need to arrive NLT 07:00; attendees by 08:00
  - b. October 11th Saturday- Pumpkins arrive 9am-noon. Volunteers needed to unload. Terry Gent: will there be conflict with the scheduled new parking lot addition construction?
  - c. October 12th- 31st Pumpkin Patch 10-6pm Volunteers needed, see Tarah
  - d. October 18th- Fall Festival 3-5pm Chili Cookoff Volunteers needed
  - e. Annual Widows' Banquet scheduled for November 6th in the NSC Fellowship Hall; **Deacons bring the desserts**
2. Worthington Manner communion progress (Steve Ladd): delivery continues smoothly; Karen Powell remains point of contact
3. Deacon nominations (Wayne A): 23 candidate names for screening; Terry Gent estimates 4 new Deacons needed to handle member growth; spare Deacons, ordain extras if available?
4. New building update (Terry Gent): plumbers scheduled to complete foundation level installs by Thursday, 8/14; foundation pour scheduled for early morning Monday, 8/25 (1 ½ weeks ahead of schedule)

5. Benevolence Report (John A.): Tarah coordinated blessing of a single mother family using Benevolence funds;  
\$16,927 opening balance  
+ 2,301 contributions  
- 3,494 distributions  
**\$15,734 balance going forward**
6. Word definitions (Frank J): incense
7. Tim Crist transportation from dialysis (Sandy M.)
  - a. Mike H., Frank J., Dennis D., Carey S., Bob S., Chris C., Sandy
8. “Deacon Dialogue” (Sandy M.): work continues on the planned Connection product; NSC needs a handyman to replace Bobby Sells; per Chris Chandler, increased attendance means that eight communion trays should be prepared each month; discuss meeting improvement suggestions directly with Sandy

**Pastor's Comments** (Pastor JJ): live cam install in progress to monitor Children's wing construction; Welcome to Bentwater bags were all gone after First Service for distribution to new residents; our church is blessed in many ways BUT, many walk among us are bearing heavy burdens, please stop and talk and listen; Pastor Matt counted over 30 baptisms YTD; united as a church body in fulfilling God's Will for our church; five consecutive weeks of 300 plus attendance

**Closing Prayer:** (Pastor JJ)

**Next Meeting: 9 Sep at 6:30 pm - “Second Tuesday”**

Text Sandy (281) 615-7978 if you would like to include agenda items for the upcoming meeting.