

East Main Presbyterian Church - Deacon Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2026 - 6:30 PM - Fellowship Hall
Business Meeting

Present: Mike Bright, Gail Chutz, Carissa Hicks, Donna Miller, Sandy Frederick, Howard Glass, Nancy Hazy, Heather Hough, Ruth Ann Webster, Terry Webster, Holly Folkerstma Burcker, Tom Gregg, Mindy Isles, Mary Markley, Caley Ritenour, Julie Ballentine, Melanie Bell, Jim Corbett, Tricia Smith.

Absent: Lynn Bashew, Brady Beech, Diane Dixon, Sue Ellen Hamilton, Sunshine Mushrush, Dan Ritenour, Amy Thomas, Jeff Weinel, Joan Weinel, Brian Ballentine, Lisa Smith.

Welcome & Prayer: Nancy Hazy welcomed the deacons to the meeting.

Deacon Ordination: Pastor Bill Hoffman ordained Melanie Bell as a Deacon. She was unable to attend the Ordination Service on Sunday, January 18.

Devotion: Nancy Hazy gave a devotion to the group on Amazing Grace.

Minutes of December 16, 2025 Meeting: Mike Bright moved and Howard Glass seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2025 meeting. The motion passed.

Deacon Class List: There was one correction to the deacon contact information which was distributed prior to the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy Hazy reported that the Deacon's account had a negative (\$419) balance at the end of December. The current balance is \$1,000.

Corresponding Secretary: Donna Miller reported that a total of 76 cards were sent in the past month as follows:

- 4 – Birthday
- 6 – Thinking of you
- 66 - Christmas
- 76 – Total

Donna read thank you notes from several folks that received gift cards from the deacons at the end for the year.

Funeral/Memorial Service: Heather Hough provided a report on the funeral lunch provided for David Dayton's funeral on December 29. 80 people were served and 17 people helped. Ruth Leo's assistance in coordinating the event was greatly appreciated.

Caring Meals: Gail Chutz reported that 23 meals were prepared on January 17 and more meals will be prepared on January 21. 25 meals were delivered since the December meeting.

Communion Served by Deacons Since the Prior Meeting: Gail Chutz reported that she served communion to Edna Covert and herself.

Senior Celebration: Nancy Hazy reported on the upcoming Senior Celebration on April 26, 2026.

New Baby Report: In 2025, six babies were presented with gifts in the past year by Melanie and Dan Ritenour.

Hospital Visitation: Jeff Weinel visited with Edie Dunwoody when she was hospitalized recently.

Drivers: Rides were provided to two members who could not drive.

Fellowship Hall Greeters: Mike Bright passed around a sign-up sheet for greeting at the Fellowship Hall door Sunday mornings prior to the second service.

Deacon Visitation: An updated visitation list was distributed to the group and changes were highlighted.

Deacon Prayer List: The deacons spent time praying for specific needs from the people they visit.

Volunteer for Devotion at the February Meeting: Either Sue Ellen Hamilton or Jeff Weinel will provide a devotion for the February meeting with the other providing a devotion for the March meeting.

Adjournment: Nancy Hazy closed the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be February 17, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Gregg,
Secretary East Main Presbyterian Church Deacons