

## **Aldersgate Church - Leadership Board Meeting**

### **March 24, 2026**

**Leadership Board in attendance:** Bob Winters, Nate Baum, Lydia Kelley, Desiree` Buck, Kristine Hackett, Kent Springman, Jeff Payne, David Pater, Jeff Lewis, and Jennifer Miranda.  
**Absent:** Beth Duvall, Ben Writer and Randy Campbell

**Congregants and Staff:** Pastor Bob Kaylor and Pastor Jeff Markey.

1. Bob Winters called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm with prayer.
2. Pastor Jeff provided a devotional discussing the impact Aldersgate has on future generations.

#### **State of the Church:**

1. Forty teens attended the Youth Group last Sunday.

#### **New Business:**

##### **1. Financial:**

- Operations are favorable. Tithings were comparative for Feb 2026 to Feb 2025. Tithing was +\$27,000 for the end of February 2026.
- There was a slight increase in tithing in March 2026 compared to March 2025.
- As of this meeting, the church had increased operational expenses in March due to higher than normal electric/gas bills.

**2. Barbara A. Gable Memorial Youth Scholarship:** Applications for the Gable scholarship are due by April 15, 2026. The balance of the scholarship fund is \$102,774 as of December 31, 2025. The church received a \$2,865 rebate from the United Methodist Foundation. Kent Springman motioned to take the \$2,865 rebate from the UM Foundation to supplement the higher education scholarship applicants for the Gable Scholarship funds. David Pater second the motion. Motion unanimously approved. Kent Springman motioned that the Aldersgate Board authorizes \$3,697 to be dispersed from the Gable Scholarship Endowment Fund for 2026. Nate Baum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

**3. Guideline for Non-church Ministries:** Bob Winters motioned to approve new policy regarding participation in non-church ministries as stated below:

##### **Person representing the church must:**

- Affirm Aldersgate Church's statement of faith
- Conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the biblical beliefs of Aldersgate Church
- Avoid employing official positions beyond those authorized

Dave Pater second the motion. Motion unanimously approved. Bob Winters requested pre-approval for his participation in the Human Life Services Church Engagement Committee with the expected representation and authorization following the above approved new policy. Denny Cathcart second the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

**3. Leadership Working Groups:** The Leadership Board dispersed into smaller working groups focusing on stewardship and church engagement from the storytelling angle, safety and security, and visitor assimilation and connection ideas. More to come on each of the subgroups.

**Regular Business:**

1. **Building / Grounds:** None

**Strategic Planning / Visioning:**

1. Several upcoming church events are planned over the next few weeks. Wednesday evening Soup and Study continues through April 1<sup>st</sup>. Holy week services include Maundy Thursday at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Good Friday services at 12 and 7 pm in the sanctuary, and Easter Sunday services at 6:30 am Sunrise, 9 am Contemporary and 10:30 am Traditional. Women's Retreat, "Fruit of the Spirit", will be April 10-11, 2026. Men's Retreat, "Rebound from Isolation to Connection" is May 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-2:00 pm.

**Closing:**

1. Dave Pater motioned to close the meeting. Nate Baum second the motion. Motion unanimously approved. Leadership Board meeting ended at 8:03 pm.