

Leadership Team Meeting

May 17, 2026

Attendees: Kara Mitchell, Todd Neaves, Julie Kriegel, Dean Smith, Clarke Farmer, Amy Johnson, Cary Fisher, Kyle Anderson

Absent: Dana Renner, Jeff Knight

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

Clarke Farmer opened the meeting with the prayer and devotional.

The Consent Agenda and Financial packet was presented and approved by the Leadership Team. Julie Kriegel motioned to approve and Dean Smith seconded the motion.

Building Availability: Kyle presented the idea to close the building on June 8th due to the UMC Annual Conference being held and VBS taking place that day. Proposal was approved by the Leadership Team.

Staff Highlights: Cindy Fast, COS Belongings Coordinator, came to the Leadership Team meeting to give an update of her time in the position, areas of focus, and roles/responsibilities. Cindy stated that her focus is to “Welcome guests the second they walk in the door.” She coordinates New Member dinners where she presents a gift bag to the guests and potential new members. Speakers come and Michelle provides a meal. Year to date, 20 people have attended.

Cindy is responsible for booking rooms and providing contracts for renting the building.

Cindy said that a big push for 2026/2027 will be to update the church rolls and preparing an updated church directory. Carolyn Clark and Vicki Roberds will be assisting on this project. If a member hasn’t been active for over 11 years, they will be taken off the list. Members not active over the last five to ten years, they will receive a post card with return postage to see if they interested in staying connected to Church of the Servant.

Cindy stated that she needs volunteers for 5/28, 5/29, and 5/30 to serve as greeters for Annual Conference.

Listening Post Update: Kara prepared the Leadership Team for the upcoming Listening Post. Of the comments and questions from the congregation received prior to the meeting, most were positive. “Love the church is growing,” “Love having Ed Davis and Kyle Anderson” and thankfulness for the Leadership Team for asking for comments were examples shared by Kara.

Building Updates: Kyle mentioned that the government grant that COS applied for to improve the church's security has not been released yet. He also mentioned that new signage is coming and will be installed in the building soon.

Garage Sale: Clarke Farmer recommended waiting until 2027 when he will have the time to devote to leading it. His recommendation is to have the Sale in June and to begin discussing the details in December of 2026.

Strategy Planning Discussion: On July 26th, the Leadership Team will meet for lunch (12 to 1 pm) and then Strategy Meeting from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. The Leadership Team will be moved to be held at 3:00 pm. The focus will be to update strategies that were set from last year.

Communication Recap: Clarke Farmer will write the Connect article.

Next Leadership Team meeting will be held on June 28th, 2026.

Julie Kriegel motioned to adjourn the meeting and move to Executive Session. Clarke Farmer seconded the motion.