

CUMC Admin Board Meeting Summary: Mar. 19, 2026

Attending: Clara Fitzgerald, Kevin Fitzgerald, Don James, Phil Lindberg, Fred Muller, Greg Swirdovich, Natalie Swirdovich, Rev. Angela Wells

Key Highlights

- Meeting held for **Christ United Methodist Church (CUMC)** administrative board.
 - Major focus areas:
 - Holy Week planning
 - Endowment fund creation
 - Financial updates
 - Committee reports and upcoming initiatives
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Pastor's Report (Rev. Angela)

- Holy Week Services:
 - Palm Sunday
 - Maundy Thursday (at St. John United)
 - Good Friday
 - Easter Sunday (harp and piano music planned)
 - Guest preacher:
 - Rev. Dr. Taylor Denyer (via Zoom) on April 12
 - Will begin a sermon series on the UMC vision
 - Rev. Angela on vacation the week after Easter (Nashville)
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Endowment Fund

- Approximately \$15,000 already contributed, with more anticipated!
 - Board approved increasing matching limit:
 - From \$15,000 → \$30,000
 - \$25,000 seeded from investment account
 - Total potential fund: ~\$55,000
 - Fund usage:
 - 2–5% annual **distributions** for mission/outreach
 - Administrative Board will determine yearly distributions
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Financial Updates

- Treasurer’s Report (Kevin):
 - Pledge giving below expectations for Jan–Feb.
 - Now at 78% of target
 - Concerns about Amazon account tracking and reconciliation
 - Financial Secretary (Fred):
 - Ongoing pledge tracking
 - Planning quarterly giving reports for congregants
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Committee & Ministry Updates

- Worship Committee:
 - Reviewing recommendations from Beloved Community study
 - Aesthetics Committee:
 - Evaluating carpet replacement and chancel repairs
 - Council of Ministries:
 - Church “Hub” initiative with partner churches
 - Holy Week coordination
 - Community outreach with Cradlerock Elementary
 - Planning July 4 fireworks gathering
 - Other Updates:
 - Church directory completed
 - Continued discussion on dedicated program space (future consideration)
 - Ongoing key collection and redistribution
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Follow-Up Actions

Task	Responsible	Deadline / Timing
Verify CD rollover to 3.25% rate	Kevin	ASAP
Review Beloved Community worship recommendations	Worship Committee	Upcoming meetings
Decide on carpet replacement & chancel materials	Aesthetics Committee	ASAP
Research improved insurance coverage	Kevin Bucher	Ongoing
Seek alternate renters for daycare space	Kevin Buker	Ongoing
Schedule meeting with Mid-Atlantic Faith Foundation	Natalie + team	Before end of March
Hold endowment committee meeting (next steps)	Natalie + Endowment Committee	After end of March

Task	Responsible	Deadline / Timing
Update congregation on endowment progress	Natalie + team	Ongoing
Review Breeze donor system & fix anomalies	Fred + Howard	ASAP
Set up quarterly pledge reporting in Breeze	Lisa (with Fred, Rev. Angela, Kevin)	Before first report rollout
Organize Lake Elkhorn cleanup (April 19)	Green Team	Before April 19
Share Hub project schedule/details	Council of Ministries	When finalized
Send meeting minutes to Greg	Phil	ASAP
Send thank-you notes to donors	Rev. Angela	Ongoing
Continue key collection & redistribution	CUMC Team	Ongoing
Monitor program space proposal	CUMC Leadership	Ongoing

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16th, 2026