

MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)
Stated Session Meeting Digest
November 30, 2021

CALL TO ORDER.

The meeting was called to order with prayer at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary by Associate Pastor Bart Edwards who moderated the meeting. Ruling Elder Jason Walton gave the opening devotional on hope and gratitude. The Lord's Supper was celebrated. The meeting then moved to Fellowship Hall.

CONSENT AGENDA The consent agenda, having been previously circulated, was passed.

- A. Approval of minutes: October 26, 2021 stated session meeting
November 14, 2021 called meeting
- B. Approval of excused absences
- C. The Worship Committee moves to approve plans by the Diaconate to offer home communion during Advent on December 5 and 8.
- D. Approval of hosting the annual S.T.E.P.S. event sponsored by Charleston Atlantic Presbytery on August 27, 2022. The S.T.E.P.S. planning committee is anticipating a return to an in-person event, adhering to any COVID precautions the MPPC session requests. Pam Spivey is our contact person.
- E. Admit/Approve routine changes to the membership rolls

DEACONS REPORT

Deacon McRae Hogan reported on the work of the diaconate. Serving of homebound communion will begin. An appreciation breakfast was provided for the staff today.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Lord's Supper was celebrated on October 26 and November 7, 2021

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY AND GROUNDS Issues with live streaming have been addressed. Landscaping around the new sign is to be installed. A \$4000 check has been received from a tree company to pay for costs incurred. Lighting issues are being assessed.

WORSHIP Interviews are being held for the director of music position.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION An Advent devotional booklet has been distributed. The youth were a huge help with the Fall Festival. The Learning Center is connecting with a school in Haiti and coordinating a donation drive for One80 Place.

CONGREGATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE Recommendations for nominations will be collected through January 28. The Learning Center Fall parade will be October 29.

FELLOWSHIP AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE Christmas caroling in the Old Village will be December 5. The Women's Retreat will be January 28-30 on our campus. An oyster roast with a chili cook-off will be held February 13, 2021.

MISSION The Wise Giving campaign will run November 21-December 23. Angel Tree sign up will be via the SignUp Genius electronic portal.

PERSONNEL A pastor/head of staff has been called who will meet with the COM on December 7. An updated organization chart and salary analysis is underway.

FINANCE& STEWARDSHIP

As of October 31, 2021	Actual YTD	Budgeted YTD
Total Revenues	\$1,481,745.44	\$2,174,422
Total Expenses	\$1,913,609.33	\$2,394,361.99
Net Total	(\$431,863.89)	(\$219,939.99)

	Operating	Temporary Restricted	Endowment
Bank Balances	\$86,506	\$410,389	\$1,493,062

To date, 240 estimates of giving have been received for a total of ~1.4 M\$. The committee is meeting weekly working on an expenditure document.

NEW BUSINESS

The following ruling elders were elected as commissioners to the Fall 2021 Stated Meeting of Charleston Atlantic Presbytery to be held Tuesday December 14 via Zoom: E.Creed Branham, T. Steyer, A. Jenkins, T. Reed, and J. Deavor.

The Moderator has called a special meeting of the session for Tuesday December 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of hearing and acting on a report from the Interim Pastor/Head of Staff Search Committee.

Current COVID protocols will remain in place.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, the moderator adjourned the meeting. Ruling Elder E. Creed Branham offered the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.