

**MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**  
**Stated Session Meeting Digest**  
**February 28, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. by Associate Pastor Bart Edwards who moderated the meeting. Mack Cross gave the opening devotional on the Way of the Cross and offered the opening prayer. Following the celebration of the Lord's Supper, the meeting moved to Grace Hall 123-125.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes Stated meeting of January 24, 2023 were approved
- B. Approval of excused absences
- C. Approval of weddings and baptisms

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT** Ruling elders Mack Cross, Jim Deavor, Susan Mellichamp, and Theresa Reed attended the winter stated meeting of Charleston Atlantic Presbytery held February 25 at Peace Presbyterian Church, Goose Creek, SC. More information about that meeting may be found at <http://capresbytery.org/winter-2023-presbytery-meeting/>.

**DEACONS' REPORT** Deacon Jarrett Branham reported on the deacons and their continued work of compassion, witness, and service.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

- \*The Lord's Supper was celebrated on January 24 and February 5, 2023
- \*The 2022 Statistical Report was submitted electronically on January 25, 2023 after approval by the session at its January 24, 2023 stated meeting.
- \*Correspondence- Thank you from Thornwell for MPPC's donation of \$575.00  
Thank you note from the PC(USA) Missions Engagement and Support for MPPC's donation of \$1040.00.
- \*There will be a called meeting on Sunday March 19, 2023 at 4:00PM for the purpose of receiving the confirmation class.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Congregational Nominating Committee** The following action item from the committee was approved: To hold the annual congregational meeting on Sunday April 2, immediately following the 11:00 worship service, with business to include the election of officers and at-large members of the congregational nominating committee, and to review and act on changes in the terms of call of the associate pastor.

**Fellowship and Congregational Life** The chili cook off on January 28th was well attended.

**Missions Committee** Jeff Taylor/ Palmetto International is currently in Copan Ruinas, Honduras for 2 weeks with two different teams building homes. There are 15 people signed up for the trip to the Lamb Institute this summer.

**Personnel** A search continues to fill the Youth Ministry Director vacancy.

**Property and Grounds Committee** Work is in progress to repair one of the sanctuary HVAC units.

**Worship Committee** New speakers have been installed in the sanctuary funded by the Mable and Syd Query Music Endowment. A Kirkin' O' the Tartan will be held at the 11:00 service on Heritage

Sunday, May 21, 2023. Attendance numbers are as follows.

2022		Jan 1	Jan 8	Jan 15	Jan 22	Jan 29
<b>Streaming</b>		58	136	127	147	117
<b>9:00</b>	In-person	N/A	115	64	75	94
<b>11:00</b>	In-person	92	254	251	384	293
<b>Total</b>		150	505	442	606	504

**Christan Education** Children’s Ministry is planning for Holy Week and Vacation Bible School. Youth Ministry is looking for volunteers to help with Sunday morning and evening programs. Adult Faith Formation has 16 small groups participating in the Lenten study. *Third Act* is the new name of the older adult ministry that focuses on fellowship and has started meeting during the day. The Learning Center- has opened registration for the next school year.

**Finance & Stewardship**

As of January 31, 2023	Actual YTD	Budgeted YTD	Difference
Total Revenues	\$147,747.55	\$213,515.00	(\$65,767.50)
Total Expenses	\$190,430.84	\$223,485.77	(\$16,654.41)
Net Total	(\$42,683.29)	(\$9,970.77)	(\$32,717.52)

Bank Balances	Operating	Temporary Restricted	Endowment
	\$113,175	\$528,707	\$1,458,279

The 2023 budget was approved.

Denominational Support	\$36,000
Local Missions	\$92,600
International Missions	\$68,000
Adult Faith Formation	\$13,145
Children’s Ministry	\$14,735
Youth Ministry	\$51,850
Worship & Music	\$76,633
Technology	\$38,000
Food, Fellowship, & Congregational Life	\$9,980
Member Pastoral Care	\$7,700
New Member and Officer Training	\$1,500
Stewardship	\$9,400
Personnel	\$1,436,117
Communications	\$24,000
Office	\$48,000
Property and Grounds	\$303,400
Total Budgeted Expense	\$2,231,060

With no further business to conduct, the moderator adjourned the meeting. Mack Cross offered the closing prayer at 7:52 p.m.