

MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)
Stated Session Meeting Digest
February 27, 2024

The meeting was called to order in Seabrook 206 at 6:34 p.m. by Transitional Pastor Danie DeBeer who moderated the meeting. Caroline Feller offered the devotional and opening prayer. The Lord's Supper was celebrated. The conformation class attended the meetings as observers.

CONSENT AGENDA The consent agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

- A. Approval of minutes: stated meeting of January 23, 2024
- B. Approval of excused absences
- C. Admit/Approve changes to the membership rolls:
- D. Approval of baptisms

CLERK'S REPORT

*The Lord's Supper was celebrated on January 23 and February 4, 2024

*Communications: Thank you letter from Thornwell of January 25, 2024 for the receipt of a \$100 gift.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Christan Education Eight senior high students and two chaperones attended the ski trip. Youth Sunday was very successful with about 50 students participating. Youth elders Madeline Capps and Rachael Spach preached the sermon. The confirmation class attended worship at Mother Emmauel AME downtown on February 25. Seven students attended the Charleston Atlantic Presbytery High School Retreat at Bethelwoods.

Congregational Nominating Committee Nominations for the next class of officers and at-large members of the congregational nominating committee have been solicited and the committee will commence work on developing a slate. The proposed APNC will be put on hold pending further discussion due to budget concerns.

Fellowship and Congregational Life Breakfast continues to be well attended and essentially pays for itself. The Shrove Tuesday pancake supper had ~150 attendees with a presentation by Dr. Anita Herbert from Summerville Presbyterian Church to kick off Lent.

Finance & Stewardship

Thirty families (giving units) increased their pledges following for a total dollar amount increase of ~\$32k.

As of January 31, 20243	Actual YTD
Total Revenues	\$184,645.49
Total Expenses	\$242,124.45
Net Total	(\$57,478.96)

Bank Balances as of January 31, 2024

Operating \$95,786

MM/TRF \$424,332

Endowment \$1,728,722

The 2024 budget was approved and will be provided as information to the congregation.

Missions Recruitment of volunteers for a July/August Lamb Mission trip is underway. Jeff Taylor, of Palmetto International, has returned from leading a three-week mission trip In Honduras. Danie DeBeer and Tracy Bishop were participants.

Personnel Many thanks to Lynn Wiard for all she has done to develop, nurture, and grow our children's programs as the Interim Director of Children's Ministry. Suzy Edwards began her work as the

new director on February 21. A study of fringe benefits continues. A revised Employee Handbook Updates will be presented for approval at the next stated meeting.

Property and Grounds Committee Work has begun on the repair of the sanctuary. Current projected completion date is mid-April.

Worship Committee A Maundy Thursday Tennebrae service will be at 7:00 p.m. Easter services will be at 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross will be held from noon-2:00 p.m. on Good Friday.

Worship Attendance		Jan 7	Jan 14	Jan 21	Jan 28
	Streaming	100	141	138	180
8:30	In-person	116	119	91	99
11:00	In-person	306	303	319	254
Total		522	564	548	533

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*A discussion was held about developing a campaign to promote the new vision statement. assed.

ADJOURNMENT

Ellen Gower offered the closing prayer at 8:05 p.m.

The MPPC session meets at 6:30 PM on the fourth Tuesday of each month (except December and July). Meetings are open for observation by the congregation. Should members have business or concerns to present they must request to do so by contacting the moderator or clerk no later than the Thursday preceding the meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

Questions are welcomed at any time to the pastors, clerk, or session members.

Committee chairs are as follows:

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| Christian Education | Missy Westerhold |
| Fellowship & Congregational Life | Ellen Gower |
| Finance & Stewardship | Trey Lucy |
| Mission | Theresa Reed |
| Personnel | Mac Thigpen |
| Property & Grounds | Andrew de Holl |
| Worship | Barry Blackburn |
| Congregational Nominating Committee | Ellen Gower |
| Pastor Nominating Committee | Elizabeth Amory and Bruce McAdams |