

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
COMMON MINISTRY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 11, 2024**

Present:

Absent:

Pastors	Bridget Flad Daniels		
Moderator	Tim Harder		
Vice Moderator	Clay Reese		
Treasurer	Sandy Polarek		
Clerk	Gail Hohenstein		
Education	Beth Piontek		
Gifts & Memorials	Kathy Baldwin Mike Stepp		
Inreach & Membership	Denise Olson		
Outreach	Jammie VerGiesen		
Stewardship	Tim Dantoin		
Worship	Betty Bienash	Zoe Harkoff	
Communications Coordinator		Ruth Homrighaus Mary Ann Hudson	
JOSHUA Liaison		Steve Hartman	
Guest(s)			

*HOW DOES WHAT WE AS COMMON MINISTRY ARE DOING AFFECT THE
CHURCH'S RACIAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE WORK?*

Moderator Tim Harder called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Gathering Prayer: Jammie shared a prayer.

Nominating Committee Report: Motion to nominate Tim Dantoin as Vice Chair of Stewardship and Jason Ferry to Chair of Stewardship approved.

Congregational Joys and Concerns: Joys and concerns were shared.

Minister's Report: Bridget reported that Holy Week went well, with all services wonderful. In person participation was less than that of last year, but that may be attributable to the early date coinciding with spring vacations for all the local school systems and snowbirds not yet back north. In the February meeting Bridget shared that she was uncertain about participating in a training on disrupting political violence in the elections due to conflicts with Lenten services. Another training session has been scheduled and which she will attend in Milwaukee April 18-19. She is also working with the City of Green Bay's new Department of Violence Prevention. The matter of participants to work on an indigenous justice committee was deferred to next month.

Clerk's Report

The minutes for the regular meeting of March 14, 2024 were approved. (Jammie/Kathy). Thanks again to Heather for filling in for the March meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Sandy distributed the regular financial reports for March (attached). She reported there were no unusual income or expenditures this month. The report was accepted (Sandy/Beth).

New Business: None.

Continuing Business

- Generosity Team Update: No report.

Ministry Reports (unless covered in Ministry meeting minutes)

EDUCATION

The middle school youths for Faith Formation and Youth Group activities will be split for the rest of this year with the older youths joining with the high school group and the younger youths participating with the 5th graders for the rest of the school year and also for the next school year. Next year's Confirmation class will consist of 3 participants ranging from 8th-10th grade. Education is actively recruiting Faith Formation and Youth Group leaders for the coming school year.

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

No report.

MEMBERSHIP & INREACH

New Member Sunday is set for May 19. Classes will be April 25 at 6 p.m. and May 1 at 5:30. Denise passed around a sign-up sheet for the classes. The summer picnic will be June 23 in the park.

OUTREACH

Meeting next week. Rummage sale is May 18.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship made the following motions for expenditure of Capital Campaign funds:

Carport Roof – Up to \$30,000

West Church Roof – No motion needed as expenditure was previously approved in August 2023

Mayflower Roof – Up to \$40,000.

Boiler Repair/Maintenance – Up to \$4,000

All motions were approved.

WORSHIP

Lenten services were very meaningful

JOSHUA Report: Attached. Please part in The Big Read. The JOSHUA organizer will be doing adult ed on April 21.

Communications Report: No report.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was approved. After prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m. (Jammie/Denise).

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hohenstein
Clerk

Next meeting: May 9 - 6 p.m.

Upcoming Prayer/Snack Schedule:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Prayer</u>	<u>Snack</u>
May 9	Denise	Denise
June 13	Kathy	Kathy
August 8		Jammie
September 12		
October 10	Sandy	Sandy
November 14	Zoe	Zoe
December 12		
January 9, 2025		

Common Council JOSHUA Report - March/April

On October 2021 The Greater Green Bay Blueprint to Prevent and End Homelessness was released. The plan is designed to be action oriented, with proposed initial “small wins” focused on reducing harm, as well as medium to long-term actions and tasks that would transform systems and potentially change entirely how the city, county and local providers respond to people experiencing housing instability and homelessness. JOSHUA has two task forces working with the larger “Blueprint” effort.

End the Lockdown Panel at St.Norbert’s Mulva Library

On March 7th I've lead the panel of speakers challenging the overcrowded and outdated GBCI and the hopes of closing the Green Bay Correctional Institution with improved social service, reduced ‘parole revocations’ and better facilities with adequate staff and serviceable facilities. The themes were: Stop the Torture, End the Lockdowns, No Crime-less Revocations and Seek Alternatives to Incarceration. Panelists include: Sara Williams JOSHUA Community Organizer (justice impacted), Dante’e Cottingham, Co-Director of SOL (Sustaining Our Leaders) Justice Impacted), Mark Rice, WISDOM Transformational Justice Campaign Coordinator (Justice Impacted), Teresa Russel, (with a son in GBCI), Representative David Steffen, Jim Rafter, Allowed Village President.

Spiritual Leaders Caucus to sponsor a “Big Read” of A MORE PERFECT UNION, A New Vision for Building The Beloved Community, by Adam Russell Taylor.

Thanks,
Steve

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*What you do stands up and shouts so loudly
that I cannot hear what you say to the contrary.*

Union Congregational United Church of Christ - Green Bay WI
Treasurer's Report as of March 2024 (Treasurer Budget Report)

Monday, April 8, 2024

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Account #	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining
Incomes					
<i>General Operating Fund</i>					
	Total General Operating Fund	\$19,037	\$156,476	\$405,500	\$249,023
<i>Stewardship Ministry</i>					
	Total Stewardship Ministry	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
<i>General - Non Operating Fund</i>					
	Total General - Non Operating Fund	\$4,000	\$4,900	\$12,100	\$7,200
	Total Incomes	\$23,037	\$161,376	\$420,600	\$259,223
Expenses					
<i>General Operating Fund</i>					
<i>Administrative</i>					
	Total Administrative	\$7,582	\$25,448	\$87,850	\$64,267
<i>Facilities</i>					
	Total Facilities	\$1,329	\$7,171	\$38,900	\$31,728
<i>Senior Pastor Expenses</i>					
	Total Senior Pastor Expenses	\$11,691	\$38,295	\$147,753	\$109,457
<i>Associate Pastor Expenses</i>					
	Total Associate Pastor Expenses	\$0	\$0		
<i>Lay Staff Expenses</i>					
	Total Lay Staff Expenses	\$12,936	\$39,029	\$168,172	\$129,142
	Total General Operating Fund	\$33,538	\$109,945	\$442,675	\$334,595
<i>Worship Ministry</i>					
	Total Worship Ministry	\$2,645	\$3,577	\$8,950	\$5,372
<i>Stewardship Ministry</i>					
	Total Stewardship Ministry	\$450	\$450	\$900	\$900
<i>Inreach Ministry</i>					
	Total Inreach Ministry	\$128	\$3,259	\$2,875	(\$384)
<i>Education Ministry</i>					
	Total Education Ministry	\$271	\$1,212	\$7,115	\$5,902
<i>Outreach Ministries</i>					
<i>Outreach B</i>					
	Total Outreach B	\$2,000	\$4,455	\$15,600	\$11,144
	Total Outreach Ministries	\$2,000	\$4,455	\$15,600	\$11,144
	Total Expenses	\$39,034	\$122,899	\$478,115	\$357,531
	Difference	(\$15,996)	\$38,476	(\$57,515)	

