

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF SAUGATUCK  
BOARD OF MINISTRY  
April 10, 2023

**Call to order:** Moderator Brockington at 6:30pm

**Devotional:** Amory Jewett

**Present:** Jewett, Gentry, Yff, Boyce, Plapp, Rusiecki, Brockington; **Absent:** Terlouws (excused)

**Minutes:** Motion to approve March 13 minutes with typo corrected (Gentry/Yff). Carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** Thanks to all who helped with spring cleaning. Info added to newsletter thanking Ralph for work on the pegboard wall installed in the worship storage area (between chapel & Sunday school classroom).

**Treasurer Report:** General Fund \$16,428, Heritage Fund \$399,896, March expenses \$15,938 (includes one time organ installation expense), March collections \$7417, March capital campaign \$9720, total capital campaign \$29,330. Investment committee (Cathy B, Pat G, Phyllis Y, Sarah T) met with Raymond James and approved fund reallocation to ladder CD's and moved funds from Norris Pernet French to Dearborn Partners as recommended by Carla Masselink, our fund manager. Discussion re: need for outside audit, if organ expense should come out of general fund and pastor salary discrepancy.

**Clerk:** A service for Molly Baker will be this summer. Twins Nathaniel and Isaac were born to Amber & Tim Wyngarden on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Moderator Report:** Discussion about updating all church guidelines, policies and procedures. All board members to review the workflow list pertaining to their position (found in members' area of our website). then copy and paste into a document, edit, and send to the church secretary. Gentry to create a wedding coordinator job description.

**Delegate Report:** No emails have arrived from NACCC. Has interest in attending annual meeting in Milwaukee but registration fees are not covered through the Delegate travel account in the church budget.

**Pastor Report:** Lenten soup suppers were successful with 15 regular participants. Thanks to all for Lenten-Easter music, poetry, and art. Holy Humor Sunday theme is "The Price is Right". Set-up will be April 15. Capital campaign goal is \$65,000. August 5, 2023 will be a fundraising BBQ dinner. Another fundraising idea is a church envelope wall \$1-\$100 (would generate \$10,100). Sarah will be contacting Sun Ray signs regarding a "Donor Tree" design that would be a good late summer or fall event for the Capital Campaign. Sarah will be gone April 17-20<sup>th</sup> for the annual convocation gathering in Adrian MI.

### **Captain Reports**

**Building:** Captain position open but Ralph Birkholz agreed to be our "eyes & ears" and report concerns to the BOM. Pegboard has been installed.

**Community Life:** Motion to hold a Church picnic on July 16th (Yff/Jewett) Carried unanimously.

**Congregational Care:** Easter cards sent.

**Stewardship:** no report, absent.

**Worship Arts:** Working on getting hymn leaders and poetry readers.

**Congregational Way:** info covered in delegate report.

**Upcoming events:** Nyla Hensley Recital on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 2pm. Date needs to be established for dedicating the new organ. Newsletter articles are due by April 17.

**New Business:** discussion regarding communion list sign up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Plapp, clerk