

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

Call to order: Moderator Brockington at 6:30pm

Devotional: Pastor Sarah Terlouw

Present: Gentry, Yff, Boyce, Plapp, Rusiecki, Brockington, T. Terlouw; **Absent:** Rusiecki, Jewett
Also present: Pastor Sarah Terlouw

Minutes: Motion to approve June 12 minutes and June 18 special meeting minutes (Yff/Boyce). Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer Report: General Fund \$14,931, Heritage Fund \$400,232, June expenses \$10,245, June collections \$5837, June capital campaign \$232, total capital campaign \$35,272. One of the three CD's at Raymond James is maturing in July.

Clerk: Wedding on July 8th – Katie Harris to John Reikow. Pastor Sarah officiating. Baptism dates – July 23 Wingard twins and August 13, Isla Terlouw

Moderator Report: Captains are working on policy manual revisions and we may have a workshop or retreat for this.

Delegate Report: absent, no report.

Pastor Report: Nursery attendant job description is in progress. Sermon series during maternity leave went well. 4th of July parade had 8 participants. We ran out of water bottles and candy. We could use a few more participants for next year's parade. Sarah's new schedule is Monday off, Tuesday visits and projects, Wednesday in the office 9am-through Music in the Park, Thursday in the office 9am-2pm, Friday sermon writing day at church or Western Seminary Library. Sandra's summer schedule is Tue-Wed 9am-1pm. Sunday School focus will be on the nursery. Will also add activity sheets to the prayer ground. Baseball game Aug 19th at White Caps Park. Lakeshore Chorus has a new director, discussed permanent space at Church for LCC director. They are also in need of storage for their music. Organ recital is Sept or Oct. B Ruddy is on board and maybe Nyla Hensley. Discussion regarding painting the nursery. It needs to be done ASAP, with our 3 new babies. Will try to get volunteers to paint on a Saturday. Capital Campaign front door decal signage discussion.

Old Business: Noisy offering was forgotten, need to set a new date. Committees were set up for Aug 5 fund raiser dinner. Church members have been asked to sell two tickets. Motion to move fund raiser dinner from August 5 to October 14 (Plapp/T. Terlouw) unanimous, motion carried. Brockington, Yff and Pastor Sarah will work on nursery attendant forms and descriptions.

Captain Reports

Building: Phyllis Y - Elevator phone needs proper hookup. Live trap removed and hole in eave covered. Interest in offering church property for cell tower/antenna. Motion sensor light by back door in handicap lot doesn't work.

Community Life: P Gentry – welcome back coffee hour was held for Pastor Sarah. Members participated in 4th of July parade – come park with us flyers were distributed. Music in the Park bake sales are continuing every Wednesday – more volunteers are needed. Women's Fellowship provided baked goods for 4th of July Art Fair vendors instead of Peggy's Lunch. Peggy's Artist lunch will be offered to vendors and business owners for Venetian. Summer picnic will be after worship on July 16. Planning starting for fundraiser dinner – date changed to Oct 14. WF is planning baby shower for Isla on August 13.

Congregational Care: Rusiecki absent. Discussed several faithful attendees: Hensleys, Sue Nelson and Carol Garvelink, make sure they have been assigned to a shepherd.

Stewardship: Tim T - Church picnic at Fell in Love Farm and July 16. NACCC meeting in Milwaukee was enjoyed. Seafarer's Friend, Happy Life Children's Home and Panamerican Institute are NACCC supported missions and were in attendance at the annual meeting.

Worship Arts: Kristyn B - Kate Meyer filled the pulpit on June 25. Wendy VanTassell will provide special music on Aug 13. Will ask Dan Mayer if he can provide special music on July 23.

Congregational Way: No report, absent.

New Business: Mast solution for heating and cooling will be installed last week of July at a cost of \$41,760. Motion to approve attached building fee schedule (Yff/T.Terlouw) all in favor, carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Plapp, clerk