

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF SAUGATUCK**  
**BOARD OF MINISTRY**  
**February 13, 2023**

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

**Devotional:** Pastor Sarah

**Present:** Boyce, Raue, Brockington, T. Terlouw, Yff, Gentry, Jewett, Rusiecki

**Absent:** Plapp

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the corrected January 9, 2023 minutes. (Yff/Rusiecki) Unanimous approval.

**Public Comment:** Thank you to Gerrit Sturris for putting together the storage cart. We should possibly consider regular pest control.

**Treasurer Report:** As of 01/31/23, there is \$17,625 in the general fund checking. The unrestricted Heritage fund balance is \$23,673 after YTD gain/loss, transfers and expenses. YTD Money Market transfers are \$0.00. January budgeted expenses were \$8,716 and collections were \$7,352. Capital Campaign contributions are \$6,000. A meeting is being arranged with Raymond James to go over our investment strategy.

**Moderator Report:** Thanked board members for serving on the BOM. The annual meeting went well.

**Clerk Report:** No report.

**Delegate Report:** Five people are going to Fiji for the ICF. The NACCC will be held in Milwaukee.

**Pastor's Report**

**Looking Back:** The annual meeting went well.

**Looking Around:** Lent 2023 Preview – NACCC devotionals will be available on the Welcome Table. February 22 is Ash Wednesday and there will be Ashes to Go and a short devotional service at 12pm and 7pm. The theme for Lent is Seeking: Honest Questions for Deeper Faith. We will be using materials from A Sanctified Art featuring a lot of resources for worship services. Kristyn is scheduling special music. Soup suppers will be held on Wednesday at 6pm beginning March 1 and we will be using 'Witness at the Cross' for a study guide. We will also have Good Friday programming. Policy and Procedures Manual – We would like to begin updating all of our policies and procedures. Members of the BOM will be asked to assist in these tasks.

**Looking Ahead:** Important dates coming up: Easter, April 9<sup>th</sup>, Holy Humor Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, Graduation Sunday possibly May 14<sup>th</sup>, Prayer Walk Around Town, June 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Community Life:** A movie trivia event will be held on February 18. Pastor Sarah will be handling the trivia questions. Movie snacks as well as a potluck of appetizers will be provided.

**Congregational Care:** Trying to get caught up after being gone. Working on the service member's wall.

**Stewardship & Missions:** We collected money for our new Community Fund. Christian Neighbors is collecting peanut butter. Spartan Nash is discontinuing their 'Direct Your Dollars' program as of March 1. The NA has notified us that the mission in Myanmar is no longer an accepted mission of the NACCC for now.

**Building Updates:** A quote was obtained for painting the nursery but it could also be done with volunteers. The drain in the north parking lot needs to be capped because water is coming back into the building.

**Worship Arts:** Planning for Lent.

**Congregational Way:** No report.

**Christian Ed:** Program is going along with one volunteer per week. Lent curriculum sounds good for this year.

**Old Business:**

**Rogers Organ Donation:** The old organ will be removed and the new organ will be installed on February 27 and 28. The speaker area needs to be cleaned, possibly after the worship service on February 26.

**Capital Campaign Projects:** Fund raising continues.

**Newsletter Articles:** Update on the capital campaign, pledge sheet reminder, daylight savings time reminder, Spring clean-up on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**New Business:**

**Review Code of Conduct Draft Document:** Discussion regarding the new Code of Conduct statement. Motion to accept the Statement of Welcome and Community Code of Conduct (Yff/Rusiecki) Unanimous approval.

**Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

Bible Study – Lectio Thursdays at 12:30

Sunday Service – every Sunday in person, rebroadcast online on Wednesdays.

**Next Board of Ministry Meeting – March 13, 2023 at 6:30pm**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.**

Janna Rudich, Clerk