

Call to Order, Consistory President Edie Bauer.

In attendance: Edie Bauer, Dave Dombrowski, George Darrall, Robin Fowler, Kalee Mielke, Sarah Handley-Cousins, Elena Camp, Rev. Pierre Albrecht-Carrie, Ted Camp – Trustee, Rev. Elizabeth Duffy

Community Building

Devotion and Lord's Prayer led by Pastor Elizabeth

Approval of Consistory Meeting Minutes – 1st Dave Dombrowski, 2nd George Darrall. Approved.

Treasurer's Report - Motion to Approve, 1st Dave Dombrowski, 2nd Rev. Pierre Albrecht-Carrie. Approved.

- As of 08/03/2023 there is a balance of \$49,922.20 in the operating account and \$14,539.72 in the restricted funds account. The balance in the operating account also includes the
- 8/11/2023 payroll.
- The revenue for July was \$16,269.06 and the net income was \$3,604.37. In comparison: The
- revenue for July 2022 was \$12,237.78. The net income for July 2022 was \$-3893.30. YTD
- revenue for 2023 is \$116,238.74. YTD income for 2023 is \$3,090.27. In comparison the YTD
- revenue for 2022 was \$100,122.76 and the net income was \$-6,004.01.
- There were no notable P&L events in July.
- Congregational support remains steady. Everything is tracking as planned per the budget.

Kalee's Member in Discernment (MID) update

- Tomorrow is the grief and suffering class for the Pastoral Care training.
- The retreat is this Saturday, so far there are 10 signed up.
- She is preparing her sermon for August 20th.
- Kalee took the summer off from classes, and this time has helped her take time off so not to feel burnt-out.
- She continues to meet with her COM advisor, Rev. Dale Stanley.

Trustee's Report – Ted Camp

- Laurie Mittlefehldt attended the town meeting to have the parking lot approved.
 - Requests for proposals will go out next.
- There will be a new water bottle filler put in to replace the existing water fountain.
- The Trustees are putting together a Zion Scholarship.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Duffy

1. We had a successful mission trip with 51 youth and leaders. We're looking into a Young Adult Mission Trip in January (for those over the age of 18).
2. VBS is off to a great start! We have 32 kids registered.
3. I'll be away from August 17-26 to see family in and camp. Kalee will be preaching on the 20th.
4. Rally Day is September 10th - we can rent a bounce house and plan a bbq (hot dogs and burgers).
 - a. Consistory approved the rental of a bounce house. 1st Dave Dombrowski, 2nd Pierre Albrecht-Carrie. Approved.
5. Two services resume September 17th.

Old Business:

1. The cross in the courtyard was painted.
2. Continue to look at pictures for the Overflow Room - Someone offered pictures, all old pictures from another church, very colorful, but they would need frames. George Darrall and Pastor Elizabeth will look into this.
3. Sacristy renovation proposal for the amount of \$2,500 was reviewed. Motion to approve: 1st Dave Dombrowski, 2nd George Darrall. Approved.

New Business

1. Peter Korte is stepping down from Consistory. Since we have two alternates, we will wait to replace Peter until the annual meeting.
2. Rally Day we will introduce all Consistory and Trustee members since not everyone knows who they are.
3. At the annual meeting, we will add a service of installation and brief bios (name, service they attend, role they serve for the church) of all Consistory/Trustee members in the following Zionite.

Committee Reports

1. Administration – no report
2. PPRC – no report
3. Christian Education & Missions – VBS is currently going on. There is a schedule for Mission Projects for the kids to participate in throughout the year.
4. Church Life + Community Dinners – Women’s Fellowship led in July. Robin and Jill Fowler will lead the August dinner.
5. Memorials – current balance \$3,683.40
6. Community Assistance Ministry – no report
7. Health Ministry - looking into possible blood drive. Keep the Dash’s receipts coming.
8. Environmental Ministry – the garden is producing fruit. Next year they may add more herbs and flowers.
9. Pastoral Care Ministry Team – classes with Kalee were every other week throughout the summer. They have been going well. People are receiving visits and calls (the list comes from Pastor Elizabeth with guidance on who to visit). In September Kalee will lead another class (possibly on the Enneagram) and then will hopefully continue with monthly classes. AnnMarie and Kalee are looking into a bread baking class with a spiritual component.
10. Food Pantry – always in need of paper products, detergent, and basic food staples and easy meal kits.
11. Altar Guild – Sacristy renovation will begin in September.
12. New Member – we welcomed 9 new members!
13. Network of Religious Communities – no report other than Pastor Elizabeth and Rabbi Alex were on the Kaleidoscope TV show with their interview.
14. Better Together – 5 Churches, including Zion that work together. We just had a “Liberating Listening” seminar, and we’re opening it up to members of our church. “Liberating Listening” teaches people how to genuinely listen to others through an interview style conversation so that people can feel the freedom of being heard. There will be a training on October 14th from 9:30-12:30 here at Zion. More information will be in the next Zionite.

Motion to close the meeting. 1st Dave Dombrowski, 2nd Edie Bauer. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

Closing prayer: In the Church, for the people, with one another. Amen.

Next Meeting: September 12th at 7pm