

Finance Report to October 11 Congregation Council

(1) Finance Committee met on October 4.

(2) Budget forms and supporting financial information were sent to teams, committees, and related staff on September 23. Completed budget forms and ministry narratives are to be returned to David Holste by October 24. The budget subcommittee will review and analyze the submitted material during the end of October and the beginning of November. A recommended budget should be available to the December 6 Finance Committee meeting and recommended to Council at its December 13 meeting.

(3) In financial statements for September, the budget summary shows net receipts less expenses for the month of -\$14,452 (budget was -\$9,038). Membership Envelopes for the month are under budget by \$3,900. Membership envelopes have been below the level necessary to hit budget for 5 of the last 6 months. It will be difficult, but not impossible, for Membership Envelopes to recover to budget over the last 3 months. Total Receipts for the year to date are \$1,102,000 (which includes the \$19,644 balance carried forward from 2021). Total Expenses year to date are \$1,076,700 (budget was \$1,125,400). The net receipts less expenses for the year to date are -\$64,700 (but versus a budget of -\$103,900). If expenses remain under budget for the rest of the year, we may have a net income remaining – to partially fund the 2023 budget.

(4) Salaries and Benefits were under budget by \$22,300 for the year-to-date, and Faith Formation is under budget by \$28,100 year-to-date. Worship is over budget for the year-to-date (due to a continuation of individual worship elements), but this is offset by contributions (Expense Reimbursements) for worship elements.

(5) This year's budget contains \$120,800 (reserved from 2021 from the PPP loan program, which was for salaries, benefits, and utilities in 2020) as a one-time receipt (budgeted for December). These funds will not be available in 2023. Inflationary increases and mission and ministry expansion appear likely to increase the expense budget in 2023, and the outlook now for 2023 is one of a potential shortfall of about \$150,000 to \$250,000. This means a need for either increased giving and receipts from other sources, or significant reductions in 2023 expenses may be needed to balance the 2023 budget.

(6) The Honor Our Past, Plan Our Future (Capital Appeal) balance as of September 30 was \$10,967. On October 4, the loan payment and an extra principal payment was made, and the balance in the S&T Bank loan is now just under \$66,000.

(7) The Quasi-Endowment balance as of August 31 is \$54,525.

(8) The MIRA balance at the end of August was \$30,108.

(9) Finance approved a **motion for no more than \$4,000 to be taken from MIRA for the cricket to be installed to rectify the concern regarding the 1959 Market Street roof**. This is now a motion from Finance for approval by Council.