

Finance Chair Report to Congregation Council for February 2023

- (1) In the February financial statements, the Statement of General Fund Receipts and Expenses shows net receipts less expenses for the month of (-\$9,038) (budget was \$22,530). For February, Membership Envelopes are under budget by \$8,338, or under budget for the first two months by \$32,778. This appears to be the result of contributors not updating their e-giving in a timely manner to match their increased pledge and from optimism in budgeting the receipt of RMDs (QCDs) in January and February.
- (2) The receipts for February include the transfer in from Designated Funds (Bequests) of \$14,000 (the remaining \$6,000 was directed to MIRA) and a transfer from the traditional music fund of \$5,000. The total receipts at the end of February are \$314,507, or \$35,722 under budget.
- (3) Total expenses at the end of February are \$240,097, or under budget by \$12,074. The net receipts less expenses through February were \$74,409, or \$23,647 under budget.
- (4) The Honor Our Past, Plan Our Future loan (Fund #425) has a balance of (-\$32,156). Continued Capital Appeal contributions will be applied to Fund #425. In accordance with Finance Committee action at the January meeting, money that is received after Fund #425 is paid back will be directed to the Quasi-endowment fund to repay the \$200,000 that was used for capital improvements, including the parking lot and steeple. This is an intentional action to pay down that debt and restore the Quasi-Endowment Fund, which acts as Trinity's operating reserve. The S&T Bank loan was paid off in January, and shows a zero balance on the "Loan Balances" sheet. This will be the last report showing the S&T Bank loan.
- (5) The Quasi-Endowment balance as of February 28 is \$65,960.
- (6) The MIRA balance at the end of February was \$33,372.
- (7) Two CDs were redeemed from the Mission Investment Fund (\$20,000 1.24% CD due 5-11-24 and \$6,241 1.24% CD due 11-12-24) and reinvested in two CDs with S&T Bank with an interest rate of 4.25% and a term of 23 months.
- (8) The Finance Committee decided to review the formula for the allocation of Endowment Fund distributions on an annual basis. An amortization schedule using Endowment Fund distributions for the Quasi-Endowment loan payback (parking lot, steeple) was adopted beginning with 30% of the Endowment Fund distribution for 2022 to be allocated to Quasi-Endowment repayment. The committee decided to split the remaining 70% of the 2022 Endowment Fund distribution with 20% to be reinvested in the fund, 30% to MIRA, and 20% to be split (10% each to Missions and Community Outreach). This committee action is a motion to Council for approval at this meeting.
- (9) At its March meeting, the Finance Committee finalized its approach to the strategic plan items for which it is responsible. This will be forwarded to the Strategic Planning team to be included in the strategic plan update.
- (10) Finance Committee will not meet the first Tuesday in April (Holy Week). The Finance Committee will analyze the April membership giving and financial results at its May meeting. This will allow sufficient time for membership giving to be received for Lent and Easter.