

MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Trumpet Notes



January 2021

FROM THE DEACONS



Happy New Year from your deacons.

This past year has been a very difficult year. The deacons have worked extra hard to keep the congregation informed. We have to say thank you and goodbye to Carole Hanson and Don Clapham who are leaving the deacons after years of service. They will be missed. We are happy that Crystal Bayne is staying on for another three years. We will be welcoming Laurie Dorsey and Paul Torres as new deacons.

The role of the deacon is to nurture and help the congregation and the community. We do this by fund-raising, grants and, most of all, the donations from the congregation. The deacons are assigned a group of congregational members as their own personal group to nurture and care for. We can provide personal care, financial assistance, meals, physical help and prayer for church members. When needed, deacons can call on fellow deacons or elders to assist in this process. The most important part of this process is for you, the congregation, to know who your deacon is and to call on them when needed. You may not be aware, but sometimes your deacon may call you, text you, email you, send a card in the mail or visit you. These are a few of the methods that deacons use to stay in touch with the congregation. One thing that is very important is for you, as a member of our church, to contact your deacon when you need help even if you just need someone to pray for you.

We as deacons do not hesitate to call on members of the church to assist us. This year we put together and distributed 25 turkey baskets for Thanksgiving. Thanks to you, congregation. We also called on the congregation to help with 16 children from the Angel Tree Program from Salvation Army and 7 children with our own church Mitten Program. These 23 children will have a better Christmas because of you, the congregation.

We hope that 2021 is a better year for all of us to embrace and give thanks to God. God bless you all.

From Mission

Our congregation was very generous and donated a total of \$168 in cash for the Madison State Hospital Christmas Party. In addition, our church also graciously covered Christmas presents and goodies for 10 residents! The money received was used to fulfill some of the wish list items. Also, it covered the drinks, pies, candy, and pizza that was provided. The Christmas Card/Thank You Note they sent is attached.

Thank you so much!!!!

Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Friday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

Finance Report

Account Balances as of November 30, 2020

General Fund — \$130,635.12

Capital Fund — \$40,720.41

Youth Fund — \$7,390.94

Memorial Fund — \$14,140.65

Session Highlights from December 16, 2020 Meeting

- Heard an update on investments and endowment funds from the Board of Trustee members Larry Crisafulli, Al Huntington, and Mary Davee. Thanks were given to Larry Crisafulli, one of the first Trustees to serve who is now completing his term. Welcome was given to Ron Bateman who is coming on board. The Trustee reports are always available for the congregation to peruse in the church office.
- Heard that a new endowment fund was created in memory of Bill Mayberry by his family. Heartfelt thanks to Gregg and Kirk Mayberry and to Bill, himself, for his love of and dedication to the church.
- Approved the minutes for November Session meetings.
- Approved the General and Capital reports for November.
- Heard that a portion of the 2021 pledges have been received. Knowing how important it is to receive pledges in order to plan the 2021 fiscal year, another appeal will be given by Don Wiest. Understanding the uncertainty of the times, we only ask you to estimate what you are able to give, with the option of changing that amount at any time with the financial secretary.
- Heard that the ordination and installation of church officers for the class of 2023 will take place on December 27, 2020.
- Heard that improvements are reaching completion: repairs of foyer ceiling outside the sanctuary, ceiling repairs in other parts of the church, a new closet for the relocation of the choir room across the hall from the current location, addition of battery-operated candles for the windows and choir loft.
- Approved a paid treasurer position for 2021. Sara Stetson will continue in this position.
- Heard that Pastor Sandy Fox will be attending a Transitional Ministry Education Consortium in February and March as part of her continuing education.
- Voted for Susan Ohlendorf to serve as Clerk of Session for 2021.
- Gave heartfelt thanks to Dianna Terry for her dedication and service on the Session.

MINISTERING IN JANUARY

LITURGISTS

3. Connie Huntington
10. Bill Ohlendorf
17. Judith Glass
24. Don Clapham
31. Shannon Glass



NOTES OF INTEREST

Music Notes

“Das alte Jahr vergangen ist” is a German chorale meant to observe the arrival of the new year. It has not only inspired an organ setting and four-part harmonization by Johann Sebastian Bach but also a double choir setting by Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654). This work is meant to be performed antiphonally—that is, both four-part choirs are separated by distance, either one group at the front and the other at the back, or one group on the left and the other on the right. The effect produced is much like what we consider to be “stereo” in modern times.

A translation of the text of the work appears below.

The old year has passed.
We thank you, Lord, Jesus Christ,
that you have saved us from such great danger this year.

And we ask you, eternal Son,
of the Father in the highest throne,
that you would further preserve Christendom at all times.

A link to a youtube video of the work follows.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BDGF_leGqm4

I wish you all a happy and prosperous new year.

You are in my prayers. Jonathan

Prayer List

PRAYER LIST

Congregation: Mark Andreasen, Sharon Auxier, Dennis and Karen Bessenecker, Larry and Valecia Crisafulli, Shannon Glass, Sandy Gold, Mary Louise Grimes, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Betty King, Joan Knowland, Susan Ohlendorf, Beth Orrill, Desna Ratcliff, Alicia Ricketts, Jennifer Saroka, Ted Skrypak, Staci Torres, Sondie Williams, Greg Zieseemer.

Family and Friends: Mark Ashbrook, Karen Ault, Steve Baker, Michelle Barlow, Michael Busching, James Callahan, Becky Chase, children separated from their parents, Marie Cross, Jeff Dagher, Andrew Damm, Angel Dart, Jordan Davis, Phillip Eades, Steve Facemire, Shirley Griffith, Chuck Hale, Milly Harness, Sarah Hull, Curtis Jacobs, Heidi Kendall and family, Joni Lanham, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor’s twin brother), James Lutes, Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Shane Mason, Yolanda Modley, Margie and Frank Moller (Connie Huntington’s sister and brother-in-law), Bob Rouse, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Dan Shearer, Laryssa Smith, Jody Sullivan, Trey Taylor, Kenneth Thompson (Harriette Parton’s grandson), Rodney Thompson, Jean Trillet (Jim Grant’s sister), Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Dawson Whitaker, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Kyle Wilson.



MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar

January 3

Larry and Pam Newhouse
Nathaniel and Stacy Adams
Alexander, Ashtyn,
Nathaniel Harrison and Bryson

January 10

William McCubbin and
Markey Weaver
Jennifer Saroka
McKenzie Keller

January 17

Anne and Mark Andreasen
Jane, Ketty, Rian and Gretchen
Harriette Parton
Sharon Auxier

January 24

Diann Rinker
Rachel Barnes
Presbytery of Ohio Valley

January 31

Savannah Coffey
Mary Louise Grimes
Barry and Jenny Cook
Jacob and Emmy



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

3. Gretchen Andreasen
5. Savannah Coffey
7. Yvonne Ward
10. Stephanie Goldsmith
11. Molly Gobbel
14. Rick la Cour, Manny Gutierrez-Marquez
15. Mary Davee
20. Kim Kreuzburg
21. Shirley Thaden
23. Isla Becerra, Brandon Goldsmith, Kathy Joyce
25. Mary Beth Cullens
27. Susie Stillwell