

# BOA Minutes for February 27, 2023

## Opening Prayer

*Almighty God, draw our hearts to you, guide our minds, fill our imaginations, control our wills, so that we may be wholly yours. Use us as you will, always to your glory and the welfare of your people, through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## Attendance

☒ Barbara ☒ Kari ☒ Judy ☒ Aaron ☒ Terry ☒ Dianne ☒ Tom  
☒ Brian ☒ Kristine ☒ Greg ☒ Pastor Matt ☐ Pastor Erik ☒ Katie

## Devotions—Terry

**Approvals—**January 2023 BOA meeting minutes: **motion, second, approved.**

Agenda for February 2023: **motion, second, approved.**

## Committee Reports

1. **SPDR:** A third team will be traveling to Waverly, TN., April 22-30.
2. **P & G—Katie:** Smoke detectors estimate has been established for the new building.
3. **Garden—Kristine:** The gardeners are looking forward to spring. Greg and Tom have volunteered to build one or two more above-ground planters. The gardeners receive donations of seedlings from church members. The garden produce is very well received by clients of the Food and Clothing Shelf.

## Congregational Life Events in February—Barbara

Released by death—Joan Jordahl, Mary Ann Strand, Kay Peterson,  
Cherie Manderschied

## Financial Report—Greg

Income & Expenses: We need about \$60K a month. Last month we took in \$46K. We spent 50% of our snowplow budget in January. The January bill was \$8700, and we just got another bill for \$3600.

## FYI--Business Manager's Report—Katie

### Office Report

1. One of the Sanctuary projectors died.
2. We are working on a \$10,000 grant from Anoka County to get electric hand drying machines for all our restrooms and water fountains with bottle filling stations.
3. The church has two AEDs. They are five years old and need new supplies, which we have ordered.

4. We are looking for a new insurance company. Amazing Grace church is an ELCA mission church. We give them space, and they will pay a portion of the insurance policy.

### **Pastor's Report--Pastor Matt**

- I. Pastoral Acts—Pr. Matt & Pr. Eric
  - A. Fewer Funerals and internments
  - B. Pr. Margie continues her visits, many by phone because of snowy weather,
  - C. Baptisms
- II. Main Portfolio Areas
  - A. Constitution in process with the Synod.
    1. New goal is to have a one-issue congregational meeting between services during one Sunday in June to vote on the revised constitution.
  - B. Worship
    1. New Liturgy—The choir is doing a great job leading the change.
    2. Too loud/too soft
      - a. Fixing the sound system issues
      - b. Organ volume
    3. Moss/Kurtz – There is enough in this fund to purchase two projectors, and we have permission to use the fund for this purposed.
    4. Moved, second, and approved to use the Moss/Kurtz fund for new projectors.
  - C. Stewardship
    1. Building for the Future II
    2. Budget shortfall
  - D. Evangelism
  - E. Discipleship—There are more and more visitors at our services.
  - F. Misc.
- III. Pr. Eric
  - A. New members
    1. Class—March 23
    2. Reception—April 16
- IV. Connie—CYF
  - A. First Communion on Maundy Thursday.
  - B. Palm Sunday Music
  - C. Vacation Bible Camp
- V. MISC.
  - A. Fundraisers in the Narthex. We need a policy statement.
  - B. Observations on the progress of conflicted congregations.
  - C. Greater Church
    1. Conference Assembly
    2. Ministry Imagination Grants Team—These are \$2,000-\$25,000 grants from the Synod for an improvement or a new idea.

### **Old Business—None**

### **New Business—**

1. Aaron would like to know early about suggestions for people to fill open positions.
2. Motion to appoint Greg as our Treasurer, Second, and Approval.

**How have we furthered the ministry of St. Philip's? —All**

1. Every month we learn more about how pastors, staff, and volunteers are taking care of our church.

**Closing--The Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father in Heaven hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.*

**Adjourned at 8:40**

**Note:** Aaron has devotions at Monday's meeting. Dianne has devotions on April 24