January 2023

At a special meeting on January 9, 2023, Session extended the contract of interim pastor Rev. David Aber for another 6 months (February – July). Newly elected officers were ordained and installed during the January 23, 2023 worship service.

Average worship attendance for December was 106; this includes 170 on Christmas Eve). Average viewings on YouTube for December were 16 Live, 122 total (including 203 on Christmas Eve).

Year-end financial reports and the proposed 2023 budget were discussed. Session voted to transfer the year-end balance to the Reserve Fund. Session also approved the 2023 operating budget as presented, with the projected deficit covered by the Reserve Fund. The budget reflects full staffing and operations; especially with interim staff in some positions, the deficit should be much less than projected.

The following officers were elected for 2023 Alec Works, Clerk of Session; James Cole, Treasurer; and Marcia Holcomb, Assistant Treasurer.

The following were elected as committee moderators for 2023:Discipleship – Dottie ErbFinance – Don RearickOutreach – Ellen DaughertyPersonnel – Rosemary WrightProperties – Ginny MelverWorship – Brian RodabaughChurch-wide Nominating Committee – Brian Rodabaugh

The Annual Statistical report was approved and later sent to presbytery by the clerk.

Several events from various committees (Discipleship, Outreach, Properties) were approved. [Watch tour bulletin and the Script for details.]

Jim Cole was nominated for the Celtic Cross Award, sponsored by the National Association of Presbyterian Scouters (NAPS), recognizing his service to the Boy Scouts of America and this church over many years.