



THE PRESBYTERY OF CHICAGO ASSEMBLY

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- A special Pre-Assembly Education Session facilitated by CARE

**SEPT
19
2023**

**GATHERS IN ASSEMBLY & HOSTED IN PERSON AT
SIXTH GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

REGISTRATION / SIGN IN: 2:30 P.M.
PRE-ASSEMBLY EDUCATION SESSION: 3:00 P.M.
ASSEMBLY CONVENES: 4:00 P.M.
ASSEMBLY DINNER: 6:00 P.M.



Pre-Assembly Education Session

CARE & Living into Matthew 25:

Exploring & Understanding the Intersection between the
Anti-Racism work of the Presbytery of Chicago and Matthew 25.

facilitated by

**the Commission on
Anti-Racism & Equity**



COMMITTEE ON
Representation

We hope you will join us as we explore and engage in
dialogue around our calling to the work of justice and
liberation through Matthew 25 and the work of anti-racism.

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

3:00 pm at

Sixth Grace Presbyterian Church

600 E 35th St, Chicago, IL 60616

Call to Stated Meeting - Presbytery of Chicago Assembly

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Sixth-Grace Presbyterian Church
600 East 35th Street, Chicago, IL 60616

Dear Commissioners,

August 29, 2023

Grace and peace to you and yours in these hot days of late summer 2023.

Our next **Stated Meeting** for the Presbytery of Chicago Assembly will be on **Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 4:00 PM**. There will be a Pre-Presbytery Meeting Educational event sponsored by the Commission on Anti-Racism and Equity; see flyer below.

This will be our second, in-person meeting in recent years - at Sixth Grace Presbyterian Church, located at 600 East 35th Street, Chicago, IL 60616.

The meeting itself will be "live streamed" so others can watch the meeting at home; however, those watching from home will not be able to speak or vote during the meeting.

Please note the following in connection with this September 19, 2023 Assembly meeting:

1. **Pre-registration is requested** - [register here](#)

Please indicate if you will be staying for the evening meal at the church.

2. Parking is available in the church parking lot, just to the east of the church building.

Our theme for 2023 is "A Matthew 25 Church" – and we are honored to have our own Rev. Jana Blazek as our preacher. Jana currently serves as the Director of Connectional Relationships for the Presbytery of Chicago (75% time) and for the Synod of Lincoln Trails (25% time).

We are also honored to welcome Lauren Rogers, our Ministry Engagement Advisor with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Mission Agency. Lauren will be sharing available resources and encouraging participation in the Matthew 25 Initiative.

Sign-in and name badge pick-up begins at 2:30 PM. A Pre-Presbytery Meeting Educational Event will begin at 3:00 PM, sponsored by the Commission on Anti-Racism and Equity. The Assembly meeting will begin at 4:00 PM.

We have a fair amount of business for this meeting, including:

- Ordination Examination for Kim Mendoza, a Pastoral Resident at First, Libertyville;
- Installation of José Muñiz-Agrón as Installed Pastor of Clement PC, Cicero;
- Recognition of Completed Ministry Elk Grove Church;
- Welcome to new POC Staff Members - Kathleen Bromley and Jana Blazek;
- Enabling Motion for the sale of Morton Grove Community Church;
- Review of current Financial Reports & first reading of the draft 2024 POC Budget;
- Review of the current 2023 Financials Reports; and
- An evening meal catered by a local restaurant (cost covered by the Presbytery of Chicago, with Per Capita contributions from your churches).

An email notice will be sent out by September 12, 2023, with instructions on **downloading the Meeting Packet** from our new website. The Meeting Packet will contain the Docket and Reports for this meeting. An Orientation to this meeting will be included in a [Pre-Meeting Orientation Video](#), which we encourage you to watch **before we meet**.

Looking forward to seeing and serving with you all as we gather on September 19th, I remain,

Yours in Jesus Christ,

Ken Hockenberry - Stated Clerk

**Welcome Ruling Elder & Minister Commissioners:
Presbytery Assembly on September 19, 2023, 4:00 PM
Sixth-Grace Presbyterian Church, 600 East 35th Street, Chicago, IL
60616**

To first-time and returning Commissioners to this Chicago Presbytery Assembly meeting, **you are most welcome!** Thank you for being a part of the worshipful work of Chicago Presbytery.

The guiding principles at presbytery assembly meetings are:

- Ruling Elders and Ministers serve as Commissioners to Assembly Meetings.
- Equality between ruling elders and ministers of word and sacrament/teaching elders.
- Community decision-making that is not directed by popular opinion, but seeks to discern the will of Christ; and
- Respect and mutual forbearance for differences of opinion, subject to majority rule.

Presbytery Assembly meetings provide opportunities for the community to worship, learn, discuss issues together, and conduct the business of this church council.

Guidelines for Participation in this Assembly Meeting.

1. Please bring a hard copy or an electronic copy of this Meeting Packet with you to the meeting at Sixth-Grace PC, Chicago. To save paper and help the environment, we do not print out paper copies of the Meeting Packet for all commissioners.
2. The Wi-Fi network name is ATT8p496e4 - password: 4?774z8b2g8c
3. A second Wi-Fi network is available: ASUS – password: #syej2dsp#ur
4. When speaking during a discussion or debate, **please remember to address the moderator**, not the gathered body.
5. Please introduce yourself by stating your name and congregation/place of service.
6. Please limit your remarks to three minutes - unless a different time period is specified for debate. For issues that are likely to generate debate, the assembly may vote to shorten the time limits.
7. Only ruling and teaching elder commissioners may vote. Corresponding members may address the body, and visitors may speak if authorized by the body.
8. All the scheduled motions are found in this Meeting Packet / Call Papers. Some motions may be placed on the Omnibus Motion, which allows the Assembly to take one vote to approve several items. Any ruling elder or minister commissioner can ask that an item be removed from the Omnibus Motion if they believe that item warrants further discussion.

Basic Information – for Assembly Meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Assembly Meeting Location - Sixth-Grace Presbyterian Church
600 East 35th Street
Chicago, IL 60616

3:00 to 3:30 pm Pre-Presbytery Event:

CARE & Matthew 25: Exploring and understanding the intersection between the anti-racism work of the Presbytery of Chicago and Matthew 25.

Registration – Please pre-register at the link below. Sign-in and name badge pick-up starts at 2:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. The meeting starts at 4:00 PM.

[Register here](#)

Transportation – by car or CTA Blue Line to Halstead and 35th Street, then Bus # 35 to 35th Street & Cottage Grove. Or CTA Red Line to Sox 35th Street then Bus # 4.

Parking Information – Parking is available at the church – just to the east of the church building. Overflow parking at Urban Prep Charter Academy, 521 E 35th St, Chicago (southwest corner of W 35th and Cottage Grove).

Childcare / Family Member Care: If family member care is needed for you to attend this Assembly meeting, care expenses will be reimbursed by the Presbytery, for up to 4 hours at \$15.00 per hour, upon submission of a voucher, which you can find here on our website:

[Child care voucher](#)

Excused Absence: Commissioners are automatically excused if unable to attend the meeting. We will, however, still miss you, and hope to see you next time.

Meeting Packet and Docket:

- The Call Papers contain the docket and reports needed for this meeting.
- Additional Floor Papers may be distributed – electronically and in hard copy – during the meeting.
- An Orientation to this meeting has been **pre-recorded**, and we invite you to view these reports **before** we gather for our September 19, 2023, meeting. Here is the link to the video:

[Orientation Video](#)

Upcoming / Approved Assembly Meetings – 2023 and 2024:

November 14, 2023 – 4:00 PM on Zoom

February 27, 2024 – 4:00 PM at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church, Elmhurst, IL

May 21, 2024 – time and location TBA (or on Zoom)

September 17, 2024 – time and location TBA (or on Zoom)

November 19, 2024 – time and location TBA (or on Zoom)

This Assembly Meeting will be live-streamed. However, in order to vote, commissioners must be physically present at this meeting.

The Proposed Docket - for Worship and Work
of
The Presbytery of Chicago – Gathered in Assembly
at
Sixth-Grace Presbyterian Church – Chicago, Illinois
on
Tuesday, September 19, 2023 - 4:00 PM

Gathering for Work and Worship

2:30 Registration and Fellowship – in Fellowship Hall

Pre-registration is requested - [please click here to register](#).

Please "sign in" at the Registration Desk in Fellowship Hall and pick up your name tag.

3:00 Pre-Presbytery Educational Event – "CARE & Living Into Matthew 25" - Sanctuary

Exploring and Understanding the Intersection between with Anti-Racism work of the Presbytery of Chicago and Matthew 25 – facilitated by the Commission on Anti-Racism and Matthew 25.

3:50 Break

4:00 Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Barbara Gorsky

Welcome to Sixth-Grace Church

Michael Sykes

Introduction of First-Time Ruling Elder Commissioners

Barbara Gorsky

Introduction of First Time Minister Commissioners

Julie Peterson

Seating of Corresponding Members

Barbara Gorsky

Declaration of a Quorum, Orientation,
and Approval of the Docket

Ken Hockenberry

Worship - Gathering

(The Liturgy for our worship service will be distributed during our meeting – and placed on the monitors for those watching the meeting using the Zoom platform.)

Preaching today – the Rev. Jana Blazek

To be installed today – the Rev José Muñiz-Agrón as Pastor of Iglesia Presbiteriana Clement, Cicero, Illinois

Offering today – to support the Ministers Assistance Fund – for educational, sabbatical, and emergency support to ministers, commissioned ruling elders, and other leaders of Chicago Presbytery. You can give by using the QR code below, or by [clicking here](#)



Scan me!

A Brief Recess (*10 minutes*)

Our Ongoing Business – A Thank Offering to God

Executive Presbyter Report

Craig Howard

Mission Committee

Julio Pena

Presentation by Lauren Rogers, Ministry Engagement Advisor, Presbyterian Mission Agency - for the Synods of Living Waters, Covenant, and Lincoln Trails.

Commission on Preparation for Ministry

R J Kang and Julie Peterson

CPM Report

Commission Report

Examination of Candidate Kimberly Mendoza - **Action Item #1**
Pastoral Resident at First Presbyterian Church, Libertyville, IL.

Commission on Ministry

Julie Peterson

COM Report

Commission Report

Honorable Retirements – Leslie Weir and Bob Cathey, & Clint Roberts

Recognition of Completed Ministry -

Elk Grove Presbyterian Church, Elk Grove Village, IL

Opening Sentences

Leader: . . . but we deeply trust and rejoice in the power and promise of God in all things.

All: Today, as we solemnly enter into the dissolution of Elk Grove Presbyterian Church - a congregation brought to life by the Holy Spirit in 1963, with 65 charter members, faithful women, and men, with a vision for a new

congregation and a desire to serve the Elk Grove Village community.

Leader: This congregation held its closing worship service on June 4, 2023.

All: Today we remember the power and promise of God's love in a grain of wheat, in a dying seed.

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All: All people take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Testimony of Faithfulness

Please watch and give thanks for the mission and ministry of Elk Grove Presbyterian Church, shown in this video presentation.

Receiving of the Records and Rolls

Moderator-Elect: In this season, Elk Grove Presbyterian Church entrusts the future to the God who called it into being and now calls it to completion.

All: We give thanks to God for the mission, the testimony, the witness, and the service of Elk Grove Presbyterian Church.

Moderator-Elect: At this time, we call upon the Clerk of the Presbytery to receive in trust, the records and remaining roll of Elk Grove Presbyterian Church.

Stated Clerk: With thanks to God and prayers of intercession, we receive this record, this story, these names, and ask God's blessing that our witness may be joined and continue faithful.

Prayer of Dissolution, Charge, and Blessing

Eternal God, whom the highest heaven cannot contain, hear our prayer.

For the Church universal, of which Elk Grove Presbyterian Church has been a visible demonstration, we praise you, O God.

For all the saints . . . of baptism and raised to new and eternal life.

We praise you, O God.

For your presence . . . life in faith, who now live eternally with you.

We praise you, O God.

For the knowledge that your church . . . in life and in death is eternal.

We praise you, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Moderator-Elect: In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and by the authority of the Presbytery of Chicago,
I now declare the congregation of Elk Grove Presbyterian Church
of Elk Grove Village, Illinois, dissolved.

Like the grain of wheat that falls to earth and dies,
may we yet bear much fruit, may we love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit, who goes on before us
and who keeps the Church, even to the end of the age.

All: To God be the glory - this day and forevermore. Amen.

A Very Brief Recess (*5-minute stretch break*)

Presbytery Coordinating Commission Report

Barbara Gorsky

PCC Report

Commission Report

Review of 2023 Financial Report

Kathleen Bromley

Report on 2022 Annual Audit – Final Report

Ken Hockenberry

Approval of Enabling Motion for Sale of Morton Grove
Community Church, Morton Grove, IL - **Action Item #2**

First Reading - **2024 Proposed POC Budget**
- Kathleen Bromley & Ken Hockenberry

Nominating Committee

Lauren Cochran & Craig Howard

Nominating Committee Report

Election of individuals to serve on Presbytery Entities – **Action Item #3**

Stated Clerk Report

Ken Hockenberry

Approval of Minutes and Receiving Items of Information
Action Items #4 and #5

New Business

Barbara Gorsky

Going Forth to Serve by the Power of the Holy Spirit

Adjournment and Benediction

Barbara Gorsky

6:45 Adjourn to the Evening Meal – you are most welcome!

Going in Peace – safe travels home.

Action Items - for action at this Assembly meeting of September 19, 2023

A. Items Automatically Placed on the Docket

- 1. The Commission on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) and the Commission on Ministry (COM) recommend that the Presbytery Assembly approve Kimberly “Kim” Mendoza for ordination to the Ordered Ministry of Word and Sacrament, so that she may more fully accept the invitation to serve as a Pastoral Resident at First Presbyterian Church. Libertyville, IL.**

Background: Kim Mendoza is a Candidate for Ministry, under the care of the Nevada Presbytery and the Session of the Henderson Presbyterian/Presbyterian Church of the Living God (two congregations currently undergoing a merger).

Kim has been Certified Ready to Receive a Call (CRRC) by Nevada Presbytery. Starting in January of 2022 Kim has been serving as a Pastoral Resident with First, Libertyville. The *For Such A Time As This Pastoral Residency Program (FSATAT)* was initiated by the PCUSA in 2013. The original intention was to support small-member congregations; mid-size and larger congregations also participated in this program. It allows for First-Call Candidates to be examined and ordained by presbyteries, to serve in a congregation as a Pastoral Resident for a period of two years and can be renewed (similar to an installed pastor serving for the designated period). Due to COVID-19 restrictions and other factors, this examination for ordination has been postponed until now.

The CPM of Chicago Presbytery has worked with Kim in preparation for this examination. The Staff and Session of First Libertyville have worked with Kim for nearly two years, and they fully support her call. Portions of her Personal Information Form (PIF) and Statement of Faith are in the meeting packet. The CPM and COM ask that the Assembly examine Kim for ordination, in support of her continued service at First, Libertyville.

- 2. The Presbytery Coordinating Commission (PCC) requests that the Assembly authorize the Presbytery Board of Trustees (aka members of the PCC) to approve the sale of the Morton Grove Community Church property, located at 8944 Austin Avenue, Morton Grove, IL, for a price not lower than \$1.3 million dollars.**

Background: The Session and Congregation of Morton Grove Community Church (MGCC) have engaged in a visioning process to address their future mission and ministry in the Morton Grove community. This process included addressing the use of their current facility, the spiritual growth of their church community, outreach to the surrounding community, the reality of current membership numbers (currently 36 members), and the congregation's financial resources.

The Session and the Congregation were asked to consider and vote on one of three options, and Option # 2 was approved: *"Transforming the congregation by reinvesting in programming and mission, with a full-time pastor and an anticipated sale of the church and a move to a new space by the year 2025."*

The Session has worked closely with the Presbytery Staff, and our partners in property matters – Foundry Commercial Real Estate, and POC property attorney Crystal Bush. The Admin Team and PCC have been aware of this process since January of 2023.

The property was listed for sale – and nine offers were forthcoming. The Session is currently reviewing the top two potential buyers and hope to bring a recommendation to the Congregation and the Presbytery in the next few weeks.

This enabling motion will allow the Presbytery Trustees to approve a final offer between now and the November 2023 Assembly meeting. The finances for the sale will be handled through the Presbytery Office and bank accounts. After deductions for Presbytery expenses, the remaining funds will be forwarded to the congregation, along with a request for a donation to the Presbytery for administrative overhead costs.

3. The Nominating Committee places the following individuals into nomination for election by the Presbytery Assembly, to serve in various entities of the Presbytery (Commission, Committees, Work Groups, and Teams) for the indicated class terms.

Background: The Nominating Committee continues to work diligently to ask individuals who feel the call to serve in various opportunities for service on the Commissions, Committees, Work Groups, and Teams of the Presbytery. If our presbytery were up to "full capacity" (with all entity positions filled) we would need over 170 individuals. Currently, we have around 115.

There continue to be many opportunities to serve. The Nominating Committee presents their nominations and requests the Assembly to elect

them. Nominations from the floor are in order, so long as the nominee has agreed to serve and has spoken with a Nominating Committee member.

[See Nominating Committee Report](#)

4. The Stated Clerk recommends approval of the Minutes of the Presbytery Assembly Stated Meeting of May 16, 2023.

Background: The "Summary Minutes" of the Stated Meeting of May 16, 2023, Presbytery Assembly (without attachments) were reviewed by the Recording Clerk and the Stated Clerk, were posted online (as a Meeting Summary), and sent to all Ruling Elder and Minister Commissioners / Members.

[See Summary Minutes](#)

5. The Stated Clerk recommends that the Information Items and Attachments in today's Meeting Packet be received as information.

1 **Kim Mendoza – Statement of Faith – September 19, 2023**

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3 I believe that God created us out of God's great Love. This Love is so great and
4 must be shared, between Creator and creation, within creation. Nothing can
5 separate us from this Love, not even sin. This Love is not forceful and does not
6 seek to control creation to do God's will. Rather, this Love is patient and kind,
7 gently holding both the world's pains and celebrations together.

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9 I believe God sent God's son to show humanity *how* to Love. I believe in Jesus
10 Christ, whose life on earth exemplified how to love God and love neighbor as
11 oneself. The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ was a great gift of love which
12 enables the continued reconciliation between Creator and creation. Nonetheless, we
13 live with hope, reformed and always reforming in our life of faith. Therefore, we
14 continually confess humanity's shortfalls because of our need for Christ's saving
15 grace.

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17 I believe in the Holy Spirit, which breathes this new life into all things. The Holy
18 Spirit was sent to us as a helper while on earth to live out this Love. Through the
19 Holy Spirit's guidance and wisdom, each individual is able to discern God's will for
20 their life on earth to carry-out God's greater plan for Creation.

21
22 We see this Love In the fellowship of the Holy Trinity: Creator, Redeemer, and
23 Sustainer. The Holy Trinity teaches Creation its purpose for life: to share in life
24 together. As the Holy Trinity dances together in Love, humanity too is called to this
25 intimate dance which brings forth the light that shines uniquely in each individual.

26
27 Through the sacraments of the Lord's Supper and Baptism, we celebrate this
28 mutual-indwelling in Christian Fellowship as Christ's body. In the Lord's Supper, we
29 gather at the Table, reminded of the sacrificial Love of Christ where all are welcome
30 and fed. Through the sacrament of Baptism, we receive the gift of God's grace and
31 are reminded of our own cleansing from sin and death as God's beloved children.

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33 I believe Scripture is the inspired Word of God, which provides a steady foundation
34 of our faith. Through the studying of the Holy Scriptures with the guidance of the
35 Holy Spirit, we gain wisdom in how to respond to God's continued transformation in
36 the world.

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38 Therefore, as the Church is the Body of Christ on earth, I believe the Church is
39 called to witness Christ's reconciling ministry on earth--a ministry that invites all to
40 the table and actively seeks those in the margins.

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42 I believe in the Christian hope that enables us to seek justice, walk humbly, and
43 love mercy so that God's kin (g)dom becomes a present reality. In our continued
44 effort to seek a relationship with our Creator God and with one another, this Hope
45 creates new life in even the most deserted places.

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Detailed Info for PIF #: 100032325.1		
Professional ID:	100032325	
Name:	Kimberly Faith Eleno Mendoza	
Phone:	(702) 823-6807	
Alternate Phone:		
Fax:		
E-Mail:	kimfm24@gmail.com	
Address:	980 N Lakeside Dr Vernon Hills, IL 60061	
Actively Seeking?:	Actively Seeking	
Ecclesiastical Status:	PC(USA) Candidate	
Presbytery Membership:	Nevada	
Ordination Date:		
Candidacy Date:	09/07/2022	
Formal Education:	Azusa Pacific University ,August 2015-May 2019 -BA in Christian Ministries Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, August 2019-May 2022 -Master's of Divinity	
Continuing Education:	Supervised Practice of Ministry, Grace Presbyterian Church in Round Rock, TX - June 2021-August 2021 Clinical Pastoral Education, Dell Children's Medical Center/Dell Seton Medical Center, Austin, TX -Extended Term, January 2022-April 2022	
Employment Type:	Full-time	
Minimum Effective Salary:	\$60,000 / Year	
Position Types and Experience Level	Youth Director (Non-ordained) Associate Pastor (Youth)	0 to 2 Years 0 to 2 Years

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	Associate Pastor (Other)	0 to 2 Years
	Chaplain	0 to 2 Years
	College/Seminary Faculty	0 to 2 Years
	Director of Music (non-ordained)	2 to 5 Years
	Seminary Staff	0 to 2 Years
	Campus Ministry	0 to 2 Years
Geographic Choices:	Unlimited	

Languages:	English
Other Languages:	
Leadership Competencies:	Hopeful Preaching and Worship Leadership Lifelong Learner Public Communicator Culturally Proficient Willingness to Engage Conflict Strategy and Vision Collaboration Bridge Builder Motivator
Training / Certification:	Clinical Pastoral Education Training
Other Training:	Crisis Intervention Training
Clergy Couple?	No
Housing Type:	Open to Manse/Housing Allowance

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Work Experience:

International Chapel Band Leader, Azusa, CA, 10,000 students, University Campus, 2018-2019
 Next Step Ministries Worship Leader Intern, San Augustine, TX, serving 400 students each summer, rural community, Summer 2017/Summer 2018
 Next Step Ministries Team Leader Intern, Houston, TX, serving 500 students, Suburban, Summer 2019
 Next Step Ministries Area Director, San Augustine, TX, varied, rural community, 2019-2022

Other Services:

Worship Leader, Grace Presbyterian Church in Round Rock, TX, midsize (300) suburban/rural, October 2020-May 2022
 Mission Presbytery PW Spring Gathering Worship Leader, Spring 2022
 Pastoral Resident, First Presbyterian Church in Libertyville, IL, (1000 membership), suburban, June 2022-present (2 year residency, finished in June 2024)
 Montreat Youth Conference Co-Music Leader, Summer 2023
 MoRanch Youth Celebration Music Leader, Summer 2023

Describe a moment in your recent ministry that you recognize as one of success and fulfillment.

Directing the programming for our Coffee House/Open Mic Night Fundraiser was a recent moment of fulfillment in ministry. My task was to create a hospitable environment by working with the two youth emcees and organizing the musicians/artists. By the end of the night, we were able to exceed our fundraising goal; however, the success was in the relationships that were cultivated, the people who were able to reconnect with one another, and the love for one another as we received and shared our gifts. People were both touched by songs, and amused by comedic acts. As many reflected, the event became a safe space for the youth and other newer congregants to share their God-given gifts.

I realize fulfillment is found when I witness the Holy Spirit move people to share their gifts openly and freely, and when I see the Church Body support each other in the act of sharing. I believe it is a privilege to witness others sharing their gifts in a community. Further, as members of Christ's body, we then have the opportunity to encourage one another in each other's calling, "stirring one another up in love." Thus, fulfillment in ministry is found when I am able to witness and help create space for the Holy Spirit to move people to share and develop their gifts and build relationships with one another.

Describe the ministry setting to which you believe God is calling you.

I believe God is calling me to build bridges that connect various age groups, culture, race, sexual orientation, etc. through the sharing of gifts in Christian community. However, in building those bridges and crossing those barriers, I feel called to also create spaces that acknowledge each individual's uniqueness whether it be around the dinner table, at an open mic, or in worship. True relationship and community is founded on the belief that each person bears a unique image of God. Further, a key to ministry is to encourage one another to grow and transform into the beloved Child of God they were created to be.

I feel called to serve in a parish setting that seeks partnership within the community, whether that be with other organizations such as a university, public schools, non-profits, etc., or other churches. I feel called to take part in the pastoral care and nurturing of gifts found in the future generation, from young adults to children. I am passionate about providing a space for them to be themselves and grow into the person God is calling them to be. Further, I realize the care of the future generation requires the effort of the whole Church, and seek to foster authentic community in congregations. Thus, I believe God has called me to the work of drawing out the songs of people's hearts and the congregational song of a church body. This song is a song which brings healing and solidarity, and we all have a part to play and sing.

Commission on Ministry- September 19, 2023
Report to Presbytery of Chicago Assembly
Julie Peterson, Moderator

Recommendations: - none

Information: - *(From the COM Stated Meetings of June 13, 2023)*

1. **Transfers of Presbytery Membership** – Ray Hylton, to National Capital.
2. **Request for status of Honorable Retirement:** Leslie Weir, Clint Roberts, David Neff, and Bob Cathey
3. **Service to Churches and Individuals** (approved by COM):
 - a. **Dissolutions of Call:** Jess Scholten (River Glen, Naperville), effective May 14, 2023, with severance of five months - moved to Member at Large; Shannon Kershner (Fourth, Chicago) effective June 15, 2023, and transfer to Presbytery of Greater Atlanta.
 - b. **Art Montoya and North Branch Bible Church, Glenview** – Covenant as Stated Supply, for Art Montoya, a non-PCUSA minister, full-time, effective March 15, 2023, to March 14, 2023. Terms: Cash \$57,000, Housing - Manse, Auto, and Business Expenses \$2,000, Board of Pensions Plan, Vacation four weeks, Continuing Education two weeks. Clerk Ken is to meet monthly for 6 months with Art M and Clerk Paula Johnson, to review the Session agenda; the cost to the church is \$600.
 - c. **Kristie Finley and First, Lake Forest** – renewal of Covenant as (Interim) Associate Pastor, full time, effective May 16, 2023, to Feb 26, 2024. Terms: Cash \$58,287, Housing allowance \$37,525, SECA \$7,330, Auto at IRS rate, Professional expenses \$2,500, Continuing Education \$2,000, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension (Minister's Choice), vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks.
 - d. **Ashley McFaul Erwin and Lakeview, Chicago** - to serve as Pastor, full time, effective June 25, 2023. Terms: Cash \$37,000, Housing allowance \$48,000, Auto at IRS rate, Professional expenses \$1,200, Continuing Education \$2,200, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension (Pastor's Participation), vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks. Request transfer - Presbytery of Long Island.
 - e. **Mark Zimmerly and Riverside, Riverside** – to serve as Pastor (for a Designated Period June 15, 2023, to Mary 14, 2025), full-time, effective June 15, 2023. Terms: Cash \$40,000, Housing allowance \$40,000, SECA \$6,120, Auto at IRS rate, Professional expenses \$1,500, Continuing Education \$1,000, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension (Pastor's Participation), vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks.
 - f. **Jane Tuma and Hope, Wheaton** - Covenant as Temporary Bridge Pastor, part-time (19 hrs./week), effective July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023. Terms: Cash \$2,400 per month, SECA \$184 per month, Auto \$750, Professional

expenses \$500, Continuing Education \$350, vacation two weeks, study leave one week.

- g. **Ronald K Beauchamp and Hope, Wheaton** - Covenant as Temporary Associate Pastor for Ron Beauchamp (American Baptist minister), to work cooperatively with Jane Tuma, part-time (10 hrs./week), effective July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023. Terms: Cash \$1,400 per month, SECA \$107 per month, auto \$750, Professional expenses \$500, Continuing Education \$350, vacation two weeks, study leave one week.
- h. **Daniel Lee Robertson and Western Springs, Western Springs** - to serve as Pastor, full time, effective August 14, 2023. Terms: Cash \$59,000, Fair Rental Value of Manse \$31,000, SECA \$7,607, Auto at IRS rate, Professional expenses \$3,000, Continuing Education \$2,000, Manse Utilities \$5,450, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension (Pastor's Participation), vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks, Moving costs up to \$10,000. Request transfer of presbytery membership.
- i. **Barbara Gorsky and Elk Grove, Elk Grove Village** – approve Dissolution of Call (and bring to the Assembly Dissolution of the Congregation), effective June 30, 2023, with a three-month severance period/package. Approved by the congregation on May 30, 2023. The last Worship service was on June 4, 2023.
- j. **José Muñiz-Agrón at Clement, Cicero.** Approved that Jose be installed as Pastor of Clement Cicero by taking his vows at the September 19, 2023, Assembly Meeting – followed by prayer, and declaration by the Moderator that he is now installed as Pastor of Clement, Cicero.

Information: - *(From the COM Stated Meetings of August 8, 2023)*

- 1. **Transfers of Presbytery Membership** – Rebekah Anderson – from Lake Michigan Presbytery, coming to serve at First Arlington Heights as Director of Children and Youth Ministries.
- 2. **Service to Churches and Individuals** (approved by COM):
 - a. **Dissolutions of Call** - were approved for Clint Roberts (First, Lake Forest); David Neff (Second, Chicago); and Alex Lang (First, Arlington Heights) to move to Member at Large.
 - b. **Request from Great Lakes Naval Station** – to assist in starting a new Protestant worship service – voted to refer to New Worshipping Communities Committee, with help and encouragement from COM.
 - c. **Tassie Green and First, Evanston** - Covenant as Interim Pastor, full time, effective July 25, 2023, to July 24, 2024. Terms: Cash and Housing \$104,800 (includes \$4,800 rental adjustment), SECA \$8,782, Auto and other expenses up to \$4,000, Continuing Education \$2,500, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension (Minister's Choice), vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks.

- d. **Susan Tindall and Community, Clarendon Hills** - Renewal of Covenant as Transitional Associate Pastor, full time, effective July 15, 2023, to July 14, 2024. Terms: Cash \$48,955, Housing \$13,845 (utilities paid by church), SECA \$4,874, Auto and other expenses up to \$1,000, Continuing Education \$1,500, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension, vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks.
- e. **Charles "Chuck" Mize (UCC minister) and Southminster, Arlington Heights** - Renewal of Covenant as Interim Pastor, full time, effective September 1, 2023, to August 31, 2024. Terms: Cash \$35,688, Housing \$35,688, SECA \$7,028, Auto and other expenses up to \$2,500, Continuing Education \$700, Medicare supplemental Insurance \$6,744, UCC Benefits Plan \$12,863, vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks.
- f. **Andrew Rosencrans and Evanshire, Skokie** - Renewal of Covenant as Stated Supply Pastor, part-time, effective June 1, 2023, to May 31, 2024. Terms: Cash \$15,120, SECA \$1,156, Auto \$240, Continuing Education \$360, Pension contribution \$1,814, vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks.
- g. **Jon Wasson and First, Lake Forest** - to serve as Pastor, full time, effective October 17, 2023. Terms: Cash \$120,000, Fair Rental Value of Manse \$50,000, SECA \$12,398, Auto at IRS rate, Professional expenses \$5,000, Continuing Education \$2,000, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension, vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks, Moving costs up TBA. Transfer approved.
- h. **Laura Sherwood and First, Arlington Heights** - Covenant as Interim Pastor, full time, effective September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024. Terms: Cash and Housing \$118,000, SECA \$9,027, Auto and other expenses \$3,000, Continuing Education \$3,000, Medical and Pension with Board of Pension, vacation four weeks, study leave two weeks, other service to PCUSA as Interim Faculty one week.

Other Items:

- a. **COM Liaisons** – COM agreed that Liaisons would assist newly arriving pastors and associate pastors with onboarding help, including finding a colleague with whom they could meet as a resource / helpful colleague.
- b. **Education Support** – a grant of \$2,000 was approved for **Edie Lenz** towards D. Min studies.
- c. **D.Min Degree COM support** – COM took action to approve the following amounts for ministers requesting assistance with Doctor of Ministry degree costs: \$2,000 per yearly request, with a cap of \$5,000 over a three-year period, as funds are available. This item will be incorporated into the Pastor Support application and added to the website.
- d. **Covenant of Closure Update** – for "those leaving service for other opportunities." COM reviewed the proposed document update; the document was approved. This will be added to our other Covenant of Closure documents on our

website. The added items in this new document will be incorporated into the other two documents.

- e. **Boundary Training for 2023** – “Not Your Average Boundaries Training,” led by LeaderWise – Upcoming Dates October 17 and 18, 2023 (Tuesday and Wednesday). <https://www.chicagopresbytery.org/boundary-training/>

Julie Peterson – COM Moderator
Craig Howard – Executive Presbyter
Ken Hockenberry – Stated Clerk

**Presbytery Coordinating Commission (PCC)
and Trustees of the Church Extension Board (CEB) -
Report to the Presbytery of Chicago (POC) Assembly
September 19, 2023**

Items Requiring Presbytery Assembly Action

Recommendation:

The Presbytery Coordinating Commission (PCC) requests that the Assembly authorize the Presbytery Board of Trustees (aka members of the PCC) to approve the sale of the Morton Grove Community Church property, located at 8944 Austin Avenue, Morton Grove, IL, for a price not lower than \$1.3 million dollars.

[See Action Item #2](#)

PCC / CEB Trustees Meeting Actions and Information Items

(From the PCC Meeting of June 27, 2023)

1. PCC took action for Barbara Gorsky to serve as Moderator of PCC; David Thornton has accepted a new call in another Presbytery.
2. PCC reviewed the 2023 Financial Reports and is waiting patiently for the appointment and election of a new Treasurer.
3. A \$60,000 draw was made from our Northern Trust Account, to help with cash flow (Monthly draws were suspended for 2022 and early 2023, due to an underperforming stock market.).
4. BMO Harris Bank is closing the John Taylor Trust. POC is to receive a payment of approximately \$200,000, which will be reinvested with Northern Trust.
5. PCC heard reports of the Presbytery Assembly Planning Team, regarding preparation for the in-person Stated Presbytery Assembly set for Tuesday, September 2023. The Planning Team reported on the positive energy and successful Assembly meeting at First, Glen Ellyn, on May 16, 2023. The church generously covered the cost of the evening meal.
6. PCC reconstituted the Task Force for Presbytery Office relocation (current office lease expires in March 2024).
7. PCC heard reports of the successful dinner with all New Worshipping Communities pastors and other leaders – 16 were in attendance.
8. Chicago Presbytery has been selected for a pilot program PC(USA) Flourishing Pathways program, which will continue to encourage and equip NWC development.
9. PCC approved a spending increase for Ecumenical and Inter-religious Work Group (EIRWG) to allow for financial assistance for members to attend the Parliament of the World's Religions, meeting in Chicago, in August 2023.

10. Barbara Wilson and Julie Peterson reported on their participation in the Board of Pension "Season of Rebuilding" Event. The current dues structure will face changes in March 2024. More information can be found at <https://seasonofrebuilding.pensions.org>
11. PCC heard reports from POC Committees, Commissions, Work Groups, and Task Forces, including Campus Ministry Task Force, COM, COM, CARE, NWCC, Mission, SDOP.
12. PCC, acting as the Board of Trustees of the Church Extension Board of the Presbytery of Chicago (CEB), received updates on property matters before the Presbytery:
 - a. Parkview Presbyterian Church property, Oak Park – an offer was approved for \$460,000 from Case de Restauracion Familia. Further offers above \$400,000 were also approved, if needed.
 - b. Christ Presbyterian Church property, Hanover Park – the property has now been conveyed to the Presbytery / Church Extension Board. The process for property tax exemption is in process.
 - c. Christ Presbyterian Church Manse – sale for \$267,000 was approved, to Befirst Inc / Serhiy Baranovskyy.
 - d. The distressed property at 4038-4040 W Madison Street, Chicago, continues to cause stress. Updates from the attorneys suggest outstanding property tax payouts are estimated to be around \$372,000. Legal fees thus far are \$101,000. The Admin Team is seeking other alternatives to sell, donate, or otherwise dispose of this property.
 - e. Morton Grove Community Church, Morton Grove – The congregation (55 members) continues to move toward the sale of this property, and a relocation and continuation of mission and ministry within the Morton Grove community.
 - f. First, Arlington Heights – sale of the eastside parking lot was approved, pending action by the congregation.
 - g. Elk Grove Church, Elk Grove Village – church held their final worship service in early June. Dissolution of the Congregation to come to the Assembly in September meeting.

(From the PCC Meeting of August 22, 2023)

1. PCC reviewed the report from the Campus Ministry Task Force, including the recommendation for future funding of the UIC Campus Ministry Group The Inclusive Collective, and the United Christian Ministry at Northwestern University. The matter was referred to the Mission Committee for further action and reporting back to PCC.
2. PCC elected Kathleen Bromley to serve as the Presbytery of Chicago Treasurer. Kathleen was introduced to the PCC and received a warm welcome.
3. PCC reviewed the 2023 January to June Financial reports, which are now up to date, thanks to the arrival of our new Treasurer, Kathleen Bromley. It was noted that the Per Capita contributions are a bit behind from this time last year.
4. PCC reviewed the first draft of the 2024 Presbytery Budget (Operations and Pass Through); this will be presented to the Assembly for a First Reading at the September 19, 2023, Assembly meeting.

5. PCC heard the report of the Planning Team, regarding plans for the September 19, 2023, Assembly meeting, and a look toward future meetings. The Nov 14, 2023, meeting will be held on Zoom. The February 27, 2024, Assembly meeting will be held at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church, Elmhurst.
6. EP Craig Howard formally introduced Jana Blazek as our new Director of Connectional Relationships, a joint position with the Synod of Lincoln Trails (25% with the Synod, and 75% with POC). Craig also formally introduced Kathleen Bromley as our new Treasurer.
7. PCC heard the report from New Worshipping Communities Committee (NWC). They continue to work with Dia Nuevo, Divine Redeemer, NEXT Ministries. An event, "Dreams Come True" is scheduled for September 28, 2023. Seed Grants from 1001 Worshipping Communities (Presbyterian Mission Agency funding) have been received for Dia Nuevo and Divine Redeemer. POC has also been selected as a pilot presbytery to discern how to best foster emergent ministries.
8. The Creation Care and Justice Ministries Committee will be sending out a survey to congregations, to explore what and where creation care and environmental ministries are happening in our congregations.
9. The Mental Health Committee continues to plan for the upcoming Suicide Prevention workshop on Sept 16, 2023, and the Minister's Retreat on Oct 22-23, 2023.
10. PCC heard the report on those attending the Parliament of the World's Religions, part of the Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Work Group (EIRWG), including the Declaration for Creation Care. Craig also shared his experience of study leave to Poland, with visits to the Reformed Churches and seminary in Poland.
11. The Mission Committee shared news of recent grants to churches and campus ministries.
12. A request for funding from First PC, Chicago was referred initially to the Mission Committee. Upon reflection the PCC will hold a special meeting to review this request.
13. The Commission on Anti-Racism and Equity (CARE) will hold a workshop as a Pre-Presbytery Assembly educational event on September 19, 2023, at 3:00.
14. The Commission on Ministry and Commission on Preparation for Ministry reported to PCC.
15. PCC, acting as the Board of Trustees of the Church Extension Board of the Presbytery of Chicago (CEB), received updates on property matters before the Presbytery:
 - a. Parkview Presbyterian Church property, Oak Park – a closing date is scheduled for later September.
 - b. Hanover Park Manse – the Trustees voted to approve the list of Legacy Gifts requested by the Session of the (now dissolved) Christ Presbyterian Church, Hanover Park.
 - c. Our distressed property at 4038-4040 Madison Ave continues to annoy. Admin Team members hope to meet with the local alderperson to discuss possible donation or other disposition of this property.

- d. Morton Grove Presbyterian Church is moving toward a sale of their property. An enabling motion was discussed by PCC and will be brought to the Assembly on the September 19, 2023, meeting.
 - e. Elk Grove church property will soon be listed on the market.
 - f. Ravenswood, Chicago is moving toward a sale of their property, with a relocation to another property in the general area. The listing for the sale will go up October 1, 2023.
 - g. First Itasca is considering a sale of their property, and a relocation of their mission and ministry to another nearby property.
16. PCC, acting as the Board of Trustees of the Church Extension Board of the Presbytery of Chicago (CEB), received a document Process for the Sale of Property and Relocation of an Existing Congregation, which is used to explain this overall process. In recent months three POC congregations have engaged in this process.

Barbara Gorsky - POC and PCC Moderator / CEB President

Craig Howard - POC Executive Presbyter

Ken Hockenberry - POC Stated Clerk/ Business Manager / CEB Secretary

Jodi Craiglow - POC and PCC Recording Clerk

Presbytery of Chicago
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Jan-Jun 2023 Revenue and Expense Summary			
	Revenue	Expense	Income/(Loss)
Operations	819,155	751,123	68,032
% of Budget Received/Spent	55.6%	50.9%	
GA/Synod/Pass Through	215,680	185,144	30,536
% of Budget Received/Spent	39.5%	33.9%	
Investment Gain/(Loss)	910,390		910,390
realized/unrealized vs. Dec 31, 2022			

**Presbytery of Chicago
Balance Sheet Comparison
As of June 30, 2023**

	As of Jun 30, 2023	As of Jun 30, 2022 (PY)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
1100 Banking & Cash		
1111 Chase Bank - Checking 1193	383,683	524,063
1113 BMO Clearing Account (deleted)	0	(751)
1114 Chase Bank - Savings 5316	55,598	160,209
1115 Dia Nuevo Checking 2826	5,383	
1119 Petty Cash (deleted)	0	45
Total 1100 Banking & Cash	444,665	683,566
Total Bank Accounts	444,665	683,566
Accounts Receivable		
Total 1200 Accounts Receivable	5,000	0
Total Accounts Receivable	5,000	0
Other Current Assets		
1000 Undeposited Funds	1,724	50,783
Total Other Current Assets	1,724	50,783
Total Current Assets	451,389	734,349
Fixed Assets		
1500 Property, Plant, & Equipment		
1500 D&L Right of Use of Assets	80,575	0
1501 Office Equipment/Furniture	40,814	44,765
1511 Church Property Held for Sale	570,000	570,000
1515 Accumulated Depreciation	(35,932)	(34,766)
Total 1500 Property, Plant, & Equipment	655,457	579,999
Total Fixed Assets	655,457	579,999
Other Assets		
1600 Investments		
1611 Northern Trust -- General Fund	6,378,124	6,006,619
1612 Northern Trust -- Camp Fund	1,988,070	2,015,785
1631 New Covenant -- 21st Cen Growth	948,287	798,012
1632 New Cov - 21st Century Treasury	520,597	501,940
1641 BMO Harris -- John Taylor Fund	207,146	204,460
Total 1600 Investments	10,042,224	9,526,816
Total Other Assets	10,042,224	9,526,816
TOTAL ASSETS	11,149,070	10,841,165
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		

**Presbytery of Chicago
Balance Sheet Comparison
As of June 30, 2023**

	As of Jun 30, 2023	As of Jun 30, 2022 (PY)
Accounts Payable		
2000 Accounts Payable	13,743	40,980
Total Accounts Payable	13,743	40,980
Total Credit Cards	4,944	922
Total Current Liabilities	18,687	41,903
2500 Loans Payable		
2500 D&L Operating Lease Liability	81,732	0
Total Loans Payable	81,732	0
Total Liabilities	100,419	41,903
Equity		
3000 Opening Balance Equity	2,794,698	2,754,178
3001 Opening Balance Equity Adjustment	0	42,526
3100 Net Assets -- Donor Restricted		
3111 Presbyterian League (TR) (deleted)	0	295,444
3112 Higgins Scholarship (TR) (deleted)	0	(40,870)
3121 Presbyterian League	945,825	497,502
3122 Higgins Scholarship	309,595	289,624
3123 Templeton Fund	153,520	150,000
3131 Hunger Fund (TR) (deleted)	0	16,970
3132 Ministerial Welfare Fund (TR) (deleted)	0	48,369
3133 Peacemaking Fund (TR) (deleted)	0	15,451
3134 Christopher House (TR) (deleted)	0	0
Total 3100 Net Assets -- Donor Restricted	1,408,939	1,272,490
3150 Net Assets -- Unrestricted		
3151 Campus Ministry (UR)	1,241,301	1,049,238
3152 Undesignated (UR)	466,771	4,670,744
3153 Board Designated	3,009,465	
Total 3150 Net Assets -- Unrestricted	4,717,537	5,719,983
3170 Equity Funds Offset	1,018,757	152,759
3200 Retained Earnings	0	0
32000 Unrestricted Net Assets	99,763	2,807,956
Net Income	1,008,959	(1,950,629)
Total Equity	11,048,651	10,799,262
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	11,149,070	10,841,165

Presbytery of Chicago
Income Statement January to June 2023
Summary Operations

	Jan-Jun 2022	Jan-Jun 2023	Annual Budget	% of Budget Rec'd/Spend
SUPPORT and REVENUE				
Total 4100 - Per Capita Income	290,754	200,298	544,277	36.8%
Total 4200-Shared Mission Income	75,173	50,622	225,000	22.5%
Total 4700-Administrative Income	257,997	564,244	628,841	89.7%
Total 4800-Church in Transition Income	860,985	2,830	65,000	4.4%
Total 4900-Other Income	129,824	1,161	10,000	11.6%
Total Support and Revenue	1,614,733	819,155	1,473,118	55.6%
EXPENSE				
Total 5113 - Per Capita Non Collected	0	0	0	
Total 5210 - Commission on Ministry	341	17,061	18,650	91.5%
Total 5220 - Cmte on Prep for Ministry	0	4,597	5,250	87.6%
Total 5230 - Presbytery Coordinatng Con	4,669	6,356	11,000	57.8%
Total 5240 - Personnel Team	150	0	250	0.0%
Total 5250 - Permanent Judicial Com	25	0	250	0.0%
Total 5260 - Ecumenical & Interreligious	600	2,002	700	286.0%
Total 5270 - Administration Team	0	0	250	0.0%
Total 5280 - Creation Ministries	2,100	0	48,250	0.0%
Total 5300 - Presbytery Event Expense	0	0	1,000	0.0%
Total 5340 - New Worshiping Committee	30,000	13,599	111,000	12.3%
Total 5350 - Mental Health Committee	291	4,736	40,750	11.6%
Total 5360 - CARE Team	11,660	11,224	50,600	22.2%
Total 5400 - Church Expenses	847,207	22,828	26,000	87.8%
Total 5500 - Mission Committee	146,724	101,198	221,000	45.8%
Total 5550 - Schoarships	22,400	33,325	13,255	251.4%
Total 5600 - Payroll Expense	279,812	296,341	607,753	48.8%
Total 5700 - Other Personnel Expenses	63,388	74,771	90,180	82.9%
Total 5800 - Office Expenses	22,531	20,032	31,850	62.9%
Total 5820 - Building Expenses	35,835	46,159	66,500	69.4%
Total 5840 - Technology	17,632	12,230	20,200	60.5%
Total 5900 - Other Administrative	112,186	84,665	110,069	76.9%
Total Expense	1,597,550	751,123	1,474,757	50.9%
Revenue - Expenses (Budget)	17,182	68,032	(1,639)	
Total Non Budget Items	(2,068,059)	910,390		
Total Revenue - Expenses	(2,050,876)	978,423		

Presbytery of Chicago
Income Statement January-June 2023
General Assembly, Synod of Lincoln Trails and Pass Through

Summary				
	Jan-Jun 2022	Jan-Jun 2023	Annual Budget	% of Budget Rec'd/Spend
SUPPORT and REVENUE				
Total 4100 - Per Capita Income	154,392	119,610	325,518	36.7%
Total 4200-Shared Mission Income	25,058	16,891	75,000	22.5%
Total 4300-Directed Mission	46,121	50,674	98,000	51.7%
Total 4400-Missions Grant Income	30,000	10,000	13,000	76.9%
Total 4700-Pass Through Investment Fur	13,414	18,505	34,110	54.3%
 Total Support and Revenue	 268,984	 215,680	 545,628	 39.5%
EXPENSE				
Total 5110 - Per Capita Expense	133,974	155,164	325,518	47.7%
Total 5120 - Shared Mission Expense	26,787	15,870	75,000	21.2%
Total 5130 - Directed Mission Expense	(2,361)	13,065	92,000	14.2%
Total 5500 - Pass Through Investment	10,337	1,045	53,110	2.0%
 Total Expense	 168,738	 185,144	 545,628	 33.9%
 Revenue Minus Expenses	 100,247	 30,536	 0	

Presbytery of Chicago
Schedule of Restricted and Unrestricted Fund Balance 06/30/2023

	1/1/2023		Total Return	Total Disbursement	Total Return Adjustment	Mkt Value
	6,126,475.30	%of Total	\$561,649	(\$310,000)		6,378,124.34
Northern Trust General Fund						
Presbyterian League (Doner Restricted)	918,971.30	0.15	\$84,247	(\$46,500)		956,718.66
Higgins Scholarship(Doner Restricted)	306,323.77	0.05	\$28,082	(\$15,500)		318,906.22
Templeton Fund (Doner Restricted)	183,794.26	0.03	\$16,849	(\$9,300)		191,343.73
Campus Ministry Fund	1,225,295.07	0.20	\$112,330	(\$62,000)		1,275,624.88
Board Designated	3,001,972.93	0.49	\$275,208	(\$151,900)		3,125,280.96
"Idle Cash Investment"	490,118.03	0.08	\$44,932	(\$24,800)		510,249.95
Total Northern Trust General Fund	6,126,475.36	1.00	\$561,649	(\$310,000)	\$0.00	6,378,124.34
	1/1/2023		Total Return	Total Disbursement	Total Return Adjustment	Mkt Value
Northern Trust Camp Fund	\$2,056,062.81	%of Total	\$182,007.36	(\$250,000.00)		\$1,988,070.17
Northern Trust Camp Fund	\$2,056,062.81	\$1.00	\$182,007.36	(\$250,000.00)		\$1,988,070.17
Total Northern Trust Camp Fund	\$2,056,062.81	\$1.00	\$182,007.36	(\$250,000.00)	\$0.00	\$1,988,070.17
	1/1/2023	Deposits/ transfers	Interest	Withdrawals	Total Return Adjustment	Mkt Value
Chase Savings Account	\$113,948.35	(\$10,319.90)	\$7.71	(\$48,038.00)		\$55,598.16
Initial Deposit						
Total Chase Savings Account	\$113,948.35	(\$10,319.90)	\$7.71	(\$48,038.00)	\$0.00	\$55,598.16
	1/1/2023	Q1 Return	Q2 Return	Q3 Return	Total Return	Mkt Value
New Covenant						
New Covenant Treasury Obligation Fund	\$508,876.81	\$5,481.32	\$6,238.81			\$520,596.94
Camp Program Endowment	\$0.00					\$0.00
New Covenant Growth Fund	\$818,078.86	\$57,679.67	\$72,528.37			\$948,286.90
Total New Covenant	\$1,326,955.67	\$63,160.99	\$78,767.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,468,883.84
	1/1/2023	Q1 Return	Q2 Return	Q3 Return	Q4 Return	Mkt Value
BMO Harris Bank						
John Taylor Trust Revenue	\$201,801.77	\$201,801.77	\$205,409.52			\$201,801.77
Deposits		\$1,065.46	\$1,296.23			\$2,361.69
Relized/unrealized gains		\$6,435.46	\$3,992.32			\$10,427.78
Disbursement		(\$2,804.98)	(\$1,828.25)			(\$4,633.23)
Bank Fees		(\$1,088.19)	(\$1,723.79)			(\$2,811.98)
Total BMO Harris Bank	\$201,801.77	\$205,409.52	\$207,146.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$207,146.03

Presbytery of Chicago - Per Capita Reports for 2023				
Per Capita Received - January - June 2023				
Church Name	Members as of 12/31/2021	Jan - Jun 2023	Request for 2023	% of Contribution Received
Arlington Heights, First	973	\$ 8,853.87	\$ 35,514.50	24.93%
Arlington Heights, Southminster	221	\$ 7,046.25	\$ 8,066.50	87.35%
Barrington	397	\$ 7,245.26	\$ 14,490.50	50.00%
Broadview, Community	12		\$ 438.00	0.00%
Carol Stream, Heritage	72	\$ 2,628.00	\$ 2,628.00	100.00%
Chicago Heights, First	243	\$ 2,908.00	\$ 8,869.50	32.79%
Chicago, Crerar Memorial	127	\$ 1,931.49	\$ 4,635.50	41.67%
Chicago, Edgewater	83		\$ 3,029.50	0.00%
Chicago, Faith Community	91		\$ 3,321.50	0.00%
Chicago, First	31	\$ 1,058.50	\$ 1,131.50	93.55%
Chicago, Fourth	5400	\$ 49,740.38	\$ 197,100.00	25.24%
Chicago, Friendship	57		\$ 2,080.50	0.00%
Chicago, Good Shepard	28		\$ 1,022.00	0.00%
Chicago, Hope	140		\$ 5,110.00	0.00%
Chicago, Lakeview	236	\$ 3,414.32	\$ 8,614.00	39.64%
Chicago, Lincoln Park	63		\$ 2,299.50	0.00%
Chicago, Mayfair	40		\$ 1,460.00	0.00%
Chicago, Morgan Park	64		\$ 2,336.00	0.00%
Chicago, New Deliverance	124	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 4,526.00	33.14%
Chicago, Pine Avenue	67		\$ 2,445.50	0.00%
Chicago, Pullman	70	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,555.00	39.14%
Chicago, Ravenswood	30	\$ 1,545.00	\$ 1,095.00	141.10%
Chicago, Rogers Park	44		\$ 1,606.00	0.00%
Chicago, Second	109		\$ 3,978.50	0.00%
Chicago, Seventh	31	\$ 1,131.50	\$ 1,131.50	100.00%
Chicago, Sixth Grace	133	\$ 4,854.50	\$ 4,854.50	100.00%
Chicago, United Hyde Park	23		\$ 839.50	0.00%
Chicago, Vida Nueva	53		\$ 1,934.50	0.00%
Cicero, Clement	45	\$ 1,642.50	\$ 1,642.50	100.00%
Cicero, Emmanuel	56		\$ 2,044.00	0.00%
Clarendon Hills, Community	441	\$ 8,048.00	\$ 16,096.50	50.00%
Deerfield, First	563	\$ 10,274.50	\$ 20,549.50	50.00%
Des Plaines, Hahna Korean	27		\$ 985.50	0.00%
Des Plaines, Taiwan	47		\$ 1,715.50	0.00%
Downers Grove, St Luke	163		\$ 5,949.50	0.00%
Elk Grove	48	\$ 328.50	\$ 1,752.00	18.75%
Elmhurst, Elmhurst	170		\$ 6,205.00	0.00%
Elmhurst, Yorkfield	306	\$ 5,584.52	\$ 11,169.00	50.00%
Evanston, First	654	\$ 29,309.50	\$ 23,871.00	122.78%
Evanston, Northminster	504		\$ 18,396.00	0.00%
Glen Ellyn, First	903		\$ 32,959.50	0.00%
Glen Ellyn, Southminster	151	\$ 1,837.00	\$ 5,511.50	33.33%

Glenview, Chicago Joyful	101	\$ 3,431.00	\$ 3,686.50	93.07%
Glenview, North Branch Bible	42	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,533.00	110.89%
Grayslake, Wildwood	538	\$ 3,174.50	\$ 19,637.00	16.17%
Hickory Hills, Hickory Hills	90		\$ 3,285.00	0.00%
Highland Park	284	\$ 10,366.00	\$ 10,366.00	100.00%
Hoffman Estates	69	\$ 1,369.00	\$ 2,518.50	54.36%
Homewood, First	96		\$ 3,504.00	0.00%
Itasca, First	71		\$ 2,591.50	0.00%
LaGrange, First	477	\$ 9,307.50	\$ 17,410.50	53.46%
LaGrange, Highlands	66	\$ 2,409.00	\$ 2,409.00	100.00%
Lake Forrest, First	1079	\$ 19,691.76	\$ 39,383.50	50.00%
Libertyville, First	1011	\$ 18,907.00	\$ 36,901.50	51.24%
Lombard, Community	186	\$ 1,519.00	\$ 6,789.00	22.37%
Morton Grove, Community	55		\$ 2,007.50	0.00%
Mt Prospect, Community	125	\$ 1,203.00	\$ 4,562.50	26.37%
Naperville, Knox	1025	\$ 18,710.50	\$ 37,412.50	50.01%
Naperville, River Glen	154	\$ 5,840.00	\$ 5,621.00	103.90%
Northbrook, Village	785		\$ 28,652.50	0.00%
Northlake, Trinity	14		\$ 511.00	0.00%
Oak Lawn, Community	22		\$ 803.00	0.00%
Oak Park, Fair Oaks	358	\$ 13,395.00	\$ 13,067.00	102.51%
Oak Park, First United	381	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 13,906.50	125.84%
Orland Park	195	\$ 4,117.50	\$ 7,117.50	57.85%
Palatine	84		\$ 3,066.00	0.00%
Park Forest, Calvary United	57		\$ 2,080.50	0.00%
Park Ridge	277		\$ 10,110.50	0.00%
River Forest, First	331		\$ 12,081.50	0.00%
Riverside	224	\$ 8,145.00	\$ 8,176.00	99.62%
Skokie, Carter-Westminster	105	\$ 1,770.00	\$ 3,832.50	46.18%
Skokie, Evanshire	19	\$ 730.00	\$ 693.50	105.26%
Tinley Park, Faith United	95	\$ 1,953.00	\$ 3,467.50	56.32%
Western Springs	323		\$ 11,789.50	0.00%
Wheaton, First	1004	\$ 14,904.15	\$ 36,646.00	40.67%
Wheaton, Hope	116	\$ 4,197.50	\$ 4,234.00	99.14%
Wheeling, Evergreen	83		\$ 3,029.50	0.00%
Wilmette, First	537		\$ 19,600.50	0.00%
Winnetka Presbyterian	258		\$ 9,417.00	0.00%
PY receipts		\$ 3,685.76		
Total Per Capita	23,777	\$ 319,907.76	\$ 867,860.50	36.86%
2023 Per Capta Rate - \$36.50				

Presbytery of Chicago - Shared Mission Contributions for 2023			
Shared Mission Received - January-June 2023			
Church Name	Jan - Dec 2022	Jan - Jun 2023	Pledge for 2023
Arlington Heights, First	\$ 18,000	\$ 4,500	
Arlington Heights, Southminster	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,750	
Barrington	\$ 4,500	\$ 3,000	
Broadview, Community	\$ 420		
Carol Stream, Heritage	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	
Chicago Heights, First	\$ 3,900	\$ 1,300	
Chicago, Crerar Memorial	\$ 3,600	\$ 1,514	
Chicago, Edgewater	\$ 2,750		
Chicago, Faith Community	\$ 3,600		
Chicago, First			
Chicago, Fourth	\$ 30,000		
Chicago, Friendship			
Chicago, Good Shepard	\$ 7,500	\$ 4,562	
Chicago, Hope	\$ 1,000		
Chicago, Lakeview			
Chicago, Lincoln Park	\$ 5,000		
Chicago, Mayfair			
Chicago, Morgan Park			
Chicago, New Deliverance		\$ 500	
Chicago, Pine Avenue			
Chicago, Pullman			
Chicago, Ravenswood		\$ 450	
Chicago, Rogers Park			
Chicago, Second			
Chicago, Seventh			
Chicago, Sixth Grace			
Chicago, United Hyde Park		\$ 281	
Chicago, Vida Nueva			
Cicero, Clement	\$ 500	\$ 500	
Cicero, Emmanuel			
Clarendon Hills, Community	\$ 10,000		
Deerfield, First	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600	
Des Plaines, Hahna Korean			
Des Plaines, Taiwan			
Downers Grove, St Luke	\$ 7,440	\$ 3,702	
Downers Grove, First	\$ -		
Elk Grove	\$ 1,200		
Elmhurst, Elmhurst	\$ 6,685		
Elmhurst, Yorkfield	\$ 12,000	\$ 3,000	
Evanston, First	\$ 1,000		
Evanston, Northminster	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,500	
Glen Ellyn, First			
Glen Ellyn, Southminster	\$ 1,000		
Glenview, Chicago Joyful			

Glenview, North Branch Bible	\$ 36		
Grayslake, Wildwood	\$ 25,000		
Hanover Park		\$ 500	
Hickory Hills, Hickory Hills	\$ 3,395		
Highland Park	\$ 13,000		
Hoffman Estates	\$ 4,050	\$ 1,000	
Homewood, First			
Itasca, First			
LaGrange, First	\$ 21,000	\$ 10,500	
LaGrange, Highlands			
Lake Forrest, First	\$ 30,000		
Libertyville, First	\$ 18,500		
Lombard, Community	\$ 500		
Morton Grove, Community			
Mt Prospect, Community			
Naperville, Knox			
Naperville, River Glen	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,784	
Northbrook, Village	\$ 500		
Northlake, Trinity			
Oak Lawn, Community			
Oak Park, Fair Oaks	\$ 15,625	\$ 3,125	
Oak Park, First United	\$ -		
Orland Park	\$ 1,000		
Palatine	\$ 1,000		
Park Forest, Calvary United	\$ -		
Park Ridge	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
River Forest, First			
Riverside			
Skokie, Carter-Westminster	\$ 3,000	\$ 500	
Skokie, Evanshire			
Tinley Park, Faith United	\$ 1,200		
Western Springs	\$ 15,500		
Wheaton, First	\$ 30,000	\$ 12,500	
Wheaton, Hope	\$ 4,900		
Wheeling, Evergreen			
Wilmette, First			
Winnetka Presbyterian	\$ 4,500		
Donations via Pres. Foundation		\$ 50	
Prior Year Contributions		\$ 3,395	
Total Shared Mission	\$ 334,901	\$ 67,513	\$ -

Proceeds from Sale of Church Property - Presbytery of Chicago

Manse - Christ PC - 6825 Highland St Hanover Park, IL

sold to BeFirst, Inc / Serhiy Baranovskyy 2521 S Benton, Palatine, IL

	Date	Amount	% of Total
Money Received By Presbytery			
Net proceeds from sale of Christ PC Hanover Park Manse		\$ 246,656	
Remaining balance in church checking account		\$ -	
Total received (A)		\$ 246,656	(see note 1)
Expenses Paid by Presbytery to be Reimbursed			
Legal expenses		\$ 11,183	final
A. Anthony - Building Management / Utilities / Survey		\$ 5,469	final
Total Expenses (B)		\$ 16,652	
Net Proceeds to Be Disbursed (A less B)		\$ 230,005	
Distribution of Net Proceeds			
20% to Session requested legacy gifts		\$ 46,001	
70% to 21st Century Fund		\$ 161,003	
10% to Presbytery Operating Budget for staff time		\$ 23,000	
Total to Distribute		\$ 230,005	
Requested Distributions (approved by Session)			
Partners for Our Communities South HP Branch		\$ 6,578	14.3%
Hanover Township Foundation		\$ 6,578	14.3%
United Missions for Christ		\$ 6,578	14.3%
Hanover Highlands Elem School		\$ 6,578	14.3%
Anne Fox Elem School		\$ 6,578	14.3%
Laurel Hill Elem School		\$ 6,578	14.3%
Ontarioville Elenm School		\$ 6,578	14.3%
Total		\$ 46,047	100.1%

Notes

1. Sale Price was \$ 265,000

All Closing Costs, including Foundry (Real Estate Marketing Firm) are already deducted from this amount.

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	Restated 2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spnt	
SUPPORT and REVENUE					Per Capita rate for 2024 same as 2023
4100 - Per Capita Income					Proposed 2024 Per Cap rate - \$36.50
4111- POC Per Capita Income	\$ 544,277	\$ 244,263	\$ 529,286	44.88%	POC per capita portion - \$ 22.89
4114 -Per Capita Prior Year					Based on 2022 membership of 23,123
Total 4100 - Per Capita Income	\$ 544,277	\$ 244,263	\$ 529,286	44.88%	(POC rate up 5 cents)
4200 - Shared Mission Income					
4211- Shared Mission-POC	\$ 225,000	\$ 82,678	\$ 225,000	36.75%	
Total 4200-Shared Mission Income	\$ 225,000	\$ 82,678	\$ 225,000	36.75%	
4700 - Administrative Income					
4711- Northern Trust Draw	\$ 242,484	\$ 310,000	\$ 242,484	127.84%	
4714- Camp Proceeds Draw	\$ 129,107	\$ 250,000	\$ 129,107	193.64%	
4716 -Taylor Trust Income	\$ 2,200	\$ 845	\$ -	38.41%	Trust closed by BMO Bank April 2023
4717- 21st Century Income / Draw	\$ 250,000		\$ 350,000	0.00%	
4720 -Pastors Emergency Income	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,392	\$ 5,000	67.84%	
4721- Bank Interest Income	\$ 50	\$ 9	\$ 20	17.28%	
4727 - Syond of Lincoln Trails			\$ 29,830		New in 2024 (income from SOLT)
4728 - Board of Pension Credit		\$ 4,933	\$ 14,808		Full Year in 2024 (credit for Organizing Pastor)
Total 4700-Administrative Income	\$ 628,841	\$ 569,179	\$ 771,249	90.51%	See Note 1
4800 - Church in Transition Income					
4811- Rental Income	\$ -	\$ 3,800	\$ 2,000		
4813 - Gain/Loss on Sale of Acq. Church	\$ 65,000	\$ (310)	\$ 100,000	-0.48%	
4815 - Church in Transition Income-Other					
Total 4800-Church in Transition Income	\$ 65,000	\$ 3,490	\$ 102,000	5.37%	

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5221 - CPM Meeting Expense	\$ 250	\$ 259	\$ 750	103.74%	
5222 - CPM Committee Training	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	0.00%	
5223 - CPM Background Checks			\$ 300		Added in 2024
5224 - CPM Candidate Assessments	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,902	\$ 5,100	147.55%	estimate - 3 candidates at \$1,700 each
Total 5220 - Cmte on Prep for Ministry	\$ 5,250	\$ 6,161	\$ 7,150	117.36%	
5230 - Presbytery Coordinating Comm (PCC)					
5231 - PCC Meeting Expense	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	0.00%	
5232 - PA Meeting Expense	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,356	\$ 10,000	63.56%	translation and guest speaker costs
5245 - General Assembly Expense	\$ -		\$ 2,000		
Coordination for emerging grant opportunities (formerly Mission):					Emerging ministries not yet assigned; to
5505 - Anti-Gun Violence Grants	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	0.00%	be coordinated by PCC in startup phase.
5507 - People of Color Cong. Vitality	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	0.00%	
Total 5230 - Presbytery Coordinatng Comm	\$ 51,000	\$ 6,356	\$ 53,000	12.46%	
5240 - Personnel Committee					
5241 - Personnel Cmte Meeting Expense	\$ 250		\$ 250	0.00%	
5242 - Personnel Cmte Other Expense	\$ -		\$ -		
Total 5240 - Personnel Committee	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250	0.00%	
5250 - Permanent Judicial Commission					
5251 - PJC Meeting Expense	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250	0.00%	
5252 - PJC Other Expense	\$ -		\$ -		
Total 5250 - Permanent Judicial Comsn	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250	0.00%	
5260 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Work Grp					

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5261 - EI Meeting Expense	\$ 100		\$ 400	0.00%	
5262 - EI Contributions	\$ 600	\$ 2,602	\$ 600	433.67%	
5263 - Visiting Scholars / speakers			\$ 5,000		New in 2024
Total 5260 - Ecumenical & Interreligious WG	\$ 700	\$ 2,602	\$ 6,000	371.71%	Submitted by work group 8.30.2023
5270 - Administration Team					
5271 - Admin Team Meeting Expense	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250	0.00%	
Total 5270 - Administration Team	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250	0.00%	
5280 - Creation & Justice Ministry Committee					
5281- Creation & Justice Comm. Expense	\$ 250	\$ -	\$ 250	0.00%	
5282 - Creation & Justice Ministry Expense	\$ 48,000	\$ 591	\$ 48,000	1.23%	
Total. 5280 - Creation Ministry Committee	\$ 48,250	\$ 591	\$ 48,250	1.22%	
5300 - Presbytery Event Expense					
5399 - Misc Presbytery Event Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	0.00%	
Total 5300 - Presbytery Event Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	0.00%	
5340 - New Worshipping Communities Cmte					
5341 - NWC Team Meeting Expense	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	0.00%	
5417 - Dia Nuevo expene		\$ 2,439	\$ -		
5342 - NWC Expense	\$ 110,000	\$ 13,599	\$ 167,500	12.36%	
Total 5340 - New Worshipping Communities	\$ 111,000	\$ 16,038	\$ 168,500	14.45%	
5350 - Mental Health Committee					
5351 - Mental Health Meeting Expense	\$ 250		\$ 250	0.00%	

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	Restated 2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spnt	
5352 - Mental Health Program Expenses	\$ 18,500	\$ 2,291	\$ 18,500	12.38%	
5353 - Annual Retreat - POC Ministers	\$ 22,000	\$ 3,859	\$ 22,000	17.54%	New in 2022 and 2023
Total 5350 - Mental Health Committee	\$ 40,750	\$ 6,150	\$ 40,750	15.09%	
5360 - CARE Commission					
5361 - Anti-Racism Training	\$ 17,000	\$ 653	\$ 17,000	3.84%	
5362 - CARE Members Stipend	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 10,000	20.00%	
5364 - CARE Meeting Expense	\$ 3,600	\$ 771	\$ 3,600	21.41%	
5365 - Com on Representation (COR)	\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	0.00%	
5366 - Nurture and Support of Members	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,830	\$ 8,000	110.38%	
5378 - Day Training Subsidies		\$ -			
5379 - Other Expenses to Implement Plan	\$ 7,000		\$ 7,000	0.00%	
5360- CARE Team - Other					
Total 5360 - CARE Commission	\$ 50,600	\$ 12,254	\$ 50,600	24.22%	
5400 - Church Property Expenses					
5411 - Church Utilities	\$ 1,000	\$ 343	\$ 1,000	34.31%	
5414 - Church Other Expenses (inc. Legal)	\$ 25,000	\$ 36,721	\$ 25,000	146.88%	
Total 5400 - Church Property Expenses	\$ 26,000	\$ 37,064	\$ 26,000	142.55%	
5500 - Mission Committee					
5526 - Greater Chicago Broadcast	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	100.00%	
5501 - Mission Cmte Meeting Expense	\$ 750		\$ 1,000	0.00%	
5521 - Salary Supplements and Small Church Grants		\$ 2,100	\$ 135,000		Added in 2024 - see Note 2
5503 - Campus Ministry Grants	\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000	0.00%	

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5504 - Congregation Mission Grants to Churches	\$ 125,000	\$ 98,977	\$ 100,000	79.18%	
#5505 - Anti-Gun Violence Grants (moved to PCC)					
5506 - Teams Meetings	\$ 250	\$ 243	\$ 250	97.19%	
#5507 - People of Color Cong. Vitality (moved to PCC)					
5528 - Triennium 2025	\$ -		\$ -		
Total 5500 - Mission Committee	\$ 181,000	\$ 106,320	\$ 291,250	58.74%	
5550 - Scholarships					
5552 - Higgins Scholarships	\$ 13,255	\$ 25,000	\$ 14,000	188.61%	
5553 - Other Scholarships		\$ -			
Total 5550 - Scholarships	\$ 13,255	\$ 25,000	\$ 14,000	188.61%	
5600 - Payroll Expense					
5611 - All Staff Salaries	\$ 352,861	\$ 194,927	\$ 438,700	55.24%	See Note 1
5612 - Support Staff Salary/Wages		\$ 16,220			
5621 - Housing Allowance	\$ 70,000	\$ 38,481	\$ 96,000	54.97%	
5622 - Benefits (BOP)	\$ 133,722	\$ 78,213	\$ 172,181	58.49%	See Note 1
5623 - Cafeteria Plan	\$ -	\$ (1,254)	\$ -		
5624 - 403(b)	\$ -	\$ 9,238	\$ -		
5625 - Optional Death Benefits Ins.	\$ -	\$ 51	\$ -		
5626 - Optional Dental	\$ -	\$ 1,391	\$ -		
5691 - State Income Tax	\$ -		\$ -		
5692 - State Unemployment Tax	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,727	\$ 5,000	0.00%	
5693 - Federal Income Tax	\$ -		\$ -		
5694 - FICA Tax	\$ 34,170	\$ 12,465	\$ 39,341	36.48%	

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	Restated 2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spnt	
5699 - Payroll Adjustment	\$ -		\$ -		
5600 - Payroll Other	\$ 12,000		\$ 4,000	0.00%	
Total 5600 - Payroll Expense	\$ 607,753	\$ 351,459	\$ 755,222	57.83%	paritally offset by rev. lines 4727/ 4728
5700 - Other Personnel Expenses					
5711 - Business Expense Reimbursement	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,217	\$ 27,000	101.28%	
5713 - General Expense Reimbursement	\$ 6,480	\$ 577	\$ 8,000	8.90%	
5721 - Continuing Education	\$ 3,700	\$ 11,853	\$ 6,200	320.36%	
5725 - Church Property Magmt. (A Anthony)	\$ 30,000	\$ 38,765	\$ 30,000	129.22%	Costs recovered upon sale of property
5726 - Outsourced Accounting (Lucas Grp)	\$ 31,000	\$ 19,125	\$ 35,000	61.69%	
5755 - Search and Relocation	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	0.00%	
5798 - Other Staff Personnel Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ 127	\$ 1,000	12.69%	
Total 5700 - Other Personnel Expenses	\$ 90,180	\$ 87,664	\$ 108,200	97.21%	
5800 - Office Expenses					
5801 - eCommunications	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,367	\$ 10,000	53.67%	Increase Zoom and virtual mtgs
5802 - Website Development	\$ 1,000	\$ 6,643	\$ 2,500	664.29%	
5810 - Telephone/ Zoom Expense	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,323	\$ 4,000	58.08%	Moved to Zoom phone in June '22
5811 - Postage and Shipping	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,232	\$ 4,000	55.80%	
5812 - Printing and Copies	\$ 750		\$ 750	0.00%	
5813 - Office Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ 974	\$ 1,000	97.40%	
5814 - Kitchen Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 241	\$ 500	48.17%	
5815 - Office Equipment Purchase	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,672	\$ 4,000	106.89%	
5816 - Office Equipment Lease	\$ 7,500	\$ 4,489	\$ 7,500	59.86%	
5817 - Document Shredding	\$ 500		\$ 500	0.00%	

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	Restated 2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spnt	
5899 - Misc Office Expense	\$ 100	\$ 25	\$ 1,000	24.61%	
Total 5800 - Office Expenses	\$ 31,850	\$ 24,966	\$ 35,750	78.39%	
5820 - POC Office Building Expenses					
5821 - Rent Expense	\$ 65,000	\$ 50,620	\$ 65,000	77.88%	
5823 Electricity Expense		\$ 518			
5824 - Parking Expense	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,132	\$ 1,500	75.47%	
5825 - Office Relocation Expense	\$ -		\$ 12,000		
Total 5820 - Building Expenses	\$ 66,500	\$ 52,270	\$ 78,500	78.60%	
5840 - Technology					
5841 - Internet Service Expense	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,867	\$ 5,000	37.34%	
5842 - Computer Network Support	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,252	\$ 10,000	72.52%	
5843 - POC Database	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,450	\$ 4,200	58.33%	
5848 - Upgrades to Computers	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,502	\$ 2,000	450.21%	
Total 5840 - Technology	\$ 20,200	\$ 16,071	\$ 21,200	79.56%	
5900 - Other Administrative Expenses					
5912 - Commercial Multi Peril Insurance	\$ 15,000	\$ 6,497	\$ 15,000	43.31%	
5913 - Workers Compensation Ins	\$ 3,069		\$ 3,069	0.00%	
5921 - Banking Fees	\$ 2,000	\$ 788	\$ 2,000	39.38%	
5923 - Investment Management Fees	\$ 25,000	\$ 19,462	\$ 25,000	77.85%	
5941 - Legal Expense (non-property)	\$ 50,000	\$ 81,131	\$ 40,000	162.26%	
5942 - Auditor Expense	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,250	\$ 15,000	35.00%	
5951 -Contribution to Investment Account		\$ -			
Total 5900 - Other Administrative	\$ 110,069	\$ 113,127	\$ 100,069	102.78%	

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2024 Budget Draft					
Operations					Comments / Notes
	Restated 2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spnt	
Total Expense	\$ 1,474,757	\$ 881,246	\$ 1,834,841	59.76%	
Revenue Minus Expenses	\$ (1,639)	\$ 218,014	\$ (193,306)		
Note 1 - The Synod of Lincoln Trails employs staff member Jana Blazek as a one-quarter time employee					
POC employs Jana Blazek at three-quarters time. POC pays the full cost of salary and benefits					
The Synod reimburses the Presbytery for their 25% employer cost - estimated at \$23,830					
The Synod also covers much of the costs for Boundary Training - estimated at \$6,000 in 2024					
Line 4727 is the total expected income from the Synod, to POC, for these costs.					
The Board of Pensions offers a credit for an Organizing Pastor / Evangelist - as a credit adjustment					
on the monthly invoice. For our Organizing Pastor Elias Cabarcas Arroyo the annual benefits cost					
is \$14,808 - the amount in Line 4728.					
Note 2 - In the 2023 Budget we neglected to insert a line item for expenses funded by the 21st Century Fund,					
which includes Salary Supplement Program grants and other 21st Century Fund expenses.					
This line is added to the 2024 budget (In 2023 we used Line 5504 - Congregational Mission Grants					
for any 21st Century Fund expenses.)					

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2024 Proposed Budget Draft					
Pass Through					
	2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spend	Comments
SUPPORT and REVENUE					2024 Total Per Cap rate
4100 - Per Capita Income					same as 2023 - \$36.50
4112 - SOLT Per Capita Income	\$ 90,792	\$ 40,953	\$ 88,099	45.11%	Synod portion \$ 3.81
4113 - GA Per Capita Income	\$ 234,726	\$ 104,924	\$ 226,606	44.70%	GA portion \$ 9.80
4114 -Per Capita Prior Year					(GA rate down 5 cents)
Total 4100 - Per Capita Income	\$ 325,518	\$ 145,877	\$ 314,705	44.81%	Based on 2022 membership of 23,123
4200 - Shared Mission Income					
4212 - Shared Mission-SOLT	\$ 15,000	5,520.24	\$ 15,000	36.80%	
4213 -Shared Mission-GA	\$ 60,000	22,055.90	\$ 60,000	36.76%	
Total 4200-Shared Mission Income	\$ 75,000	\$ 27,576	\$ 75,000	36.77%	
4300 - Directed Mission					
4311- Directed Mission Contributions	\$ 10,000	2,850.08	\$ 10,000	28.50%	
4312 - Extra Commitment Offering Contri.	\$ 10,000	1,915.14	\$ 10,000	19.15%	
4313 - Disaster Relief Contributions	\$ 2,000	9,440.66	\$ 2,000	472.03%	
4314 - Special Offerings Contributions	\$ 70,000	47,100.47	\$ 70,000	67.29%	OGHS, Peacemaking, Joy, etc
4315 - Hunger Fund Contributions	\$ 6,000		\$ 6,000	0.00%	
Total 4300-Directed Mission	\$ 98,000	\$ 61,306	\$ 98,000	62.56%	
4400- Mission Grant Income					
4419 - Mission Grant from GA/PMA	\$ 3,000	20,000	\$ 13,000	666.67%	
4421 - SDOP Grants from PMA	\$ 10,000	-	\$ 10,000	0.00%	
Total 4400-Missions Grant Income	\$ 13,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 23,000	153.85%	

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2024 Proposed Budget Draft					
Pass Through					
	2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spend	Comments
4700 - Pass Through Investment Income					
4712 - Foundation Income Anonymous	\$ 2,447	1,880.99	\$ 2,447	76.87%	
4713 - Foundation Income Kahn	\$ 268	206.17	\$ 268	76.93%	
4719 - Foundation Income Schaeffe	\$ 213	108	\$ 213	50.85%	
4723 - Foundaion Income Sawyer	\$ 31,182	25,815	\$ 31,182	82.79%	
Total 4700-Pass Through Investment Income	\$ 34,110	\$ 28,011	\$ 34,110	82.12%	
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 545,628	\$ 282,770	\$ 544,815	51.82%	
EXPENSE					
5110 - Per Capita Expense					
5111- SOLT Per Capita Expense	\$ 90,792	37,801	\$ 88,099	41.63%	
5112 - GA Per Capita Expense	\$ 234,726	136,924	\$ 226,606	58.33%	
Total 5110 - Per Capita Expense	\$ 325,518	\$ 174,725	\$ 314,705	53.68%	
5120 - Shared Mission Expense					
5121- SOLT Shared Mission Expense	\$ 15,000	7,560	\$ 15,000	50.40%	
5122 - GA Shared Mission Expense	\$ 60,000	8,309	\$ 60,000	13.85%	
Total 5120 - Shared Mission Expense	\$ 75,000	\$ 15,870	\$ 75,000	21.16%	
5130 - Directed Mission Expense					
5131 - Directed Mission Expense	\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	0.00%	
5132 - Extra Commitement Offering Exp	\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	0.00%	
5133 - Disaster Relief Expense	\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000	0.00%	
5134 - Special Offering Expense	\$ 70,000	13,065	\$ 70,000	18.66%	

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2024 Proposed Budget Draft					
Pass Through					
	2023 Budget	Jan-July 2023 Actual	2024 Proposed	% of Budget Rec'd/Spend	Comments
5136/5502 - Hunger Fund Expense/Grants	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000	0.00%	
Total 5130 - Directed Mission Expense	\$ 98,000	\$ 13,065	\$ 98,000	13.33%	
5500 - Pass Through Investment Expense					
5501 - GA/SDOP Mission Grants Expense	\$ 13,000	11,544	\$ 23,000	88.80%	
5522 - Firman House Grants	\$ 2,447		\$ 2,447	0.00%	
5524 - Schaeffle Grant	\$ 213	\$ (55)	\$ 213	-25.82%	
5525 - Kahn Grants	\$ 268		\$ 268	0.00%	
5551 - Sawyer Scholarship	\$ 31,182	20,325	\$ 31,182	65.18%	
Total 5500 - Pass Through Investment	\$ 47,110	\$ 31,814	\$ 57,110	67.53%	
Total Expense	\$ 545,628	\$ 235,474	\$ 544,815	43.16%	
Revenue Minus Expenses	\$ -	\$ 47,296	\$ -		

Nominating Committee
Presbytery of Chicago

The Nominating Committee places the following name in nomination for the indicated entity:

Administration Team (sub-committee of Presbytery Coordinating Commission)

David Carlton, Teaching Elder (TE) / White / Male - Class of 2025

New Worshiping Communities Committee Report

The New Worshiping Communities Committee (NWCC) continues to strive to support the goal of launching three New Worshiping Communities (NWCs) a year and the mission of the Presbytery of Chicago (POC) at large.

We are pleased to share with the POC that two of our NWCs have received \$10,000 Mission Program Seed Grants from the 1001 New Worshipping Communities Office of the PMA. The grants were awarded to Dia Nuevo and Divino Rendtor. The NWCC decided to match these grants to support these two NWCs. Please join us in congratulating the leadership of these two NWCs for this accomplishment! We are hopeful that other POC NWCs will be able to get these grants as well. You can go to <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/1001-2/mission-program-grants/> to learn more about these grants.

We are excited to invite everyone to our special event *Dreams Can Come True Gathering: A Day of Dreaming and Conversation about the Future of the Church in a World on Edge* on Thursday, September 28, 2023, from 10 am to 3 pm at Friendship Presbyterian Church. Cost is \$10 per person. All church leaders are invited to a day for dreaming and conversation. This event is ecumenical and all denominations/non-denominational church leaders are invited to attend. This gathering will feature a time to dream about the future of the church and explore fresh expressions of the church for our world today. We hope you will attend this event if you have ever thought about getting involved with launching an NWC, helping support an NWC, or want to learn more about it.

Presbytery of Chicago New Worshiping Communities

Divine Redeemer

Dia Nuevo

Next Ministries

Ghanaian Presbyterian Church of Chicago

South Asian Fellowship

New Worshiping Communities Committee Members (listed alphabetically by last name)

Rev. David Boumgarden

Rev. Shawna Bowman

Rev. Jefferson Caldeira

Rev. Josh Erickson

Elder John Fyfe

Rev. Craig Howard (ex-officio)

Elder David Myles

Elder Peter Park

Barbara A. Wilson Report
Associate Executive Presbyter
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OVERVIEW

It is with joy and thanksgiving that I continue my call with the Presbytery of Chicago, as your Associate Executive. I embrace our presbytery's new mission statement: Pursuing worship, service, and communities of justice, we are the Presbytery of Chicago, flourishing together by relating people, neighbors, and churches to one another and Christ Jesus. I endeavor to continue to "connect, listen, equip, and support" congregations, sessions, presbyteries, the national church, and community partners. The goal of deepening relational ministry to enhance congregational vitality and strengthen the mission continues to be relevant. It is a privilege to co-create together and to engage in collective discernment, as we connect even more our being and doing as communities of faith, love, hope, and witness.

The Associate provides ongoing coordination and managing partnerships for education, training, and workshops sponsored by the presbytery, including professional development for members of CARE/FARE, Mental Health Committee, and Mission Committee.

Mental Health Committee

September 16: Suicide Prevention Intervention Training, 9 am to 5 pm, Elmhurst Presbyterian Church, Elmhurst, IL. September is Suicide Awareness Month!

October 22-23: Teaching Elder & Commissioned Pastor Retreat, The Hyatt Lodge, Oak Brook

The Mental Health Committee will lead worship and PDA facilitators will lead 3 interactive sessions.

Monthly Films for Tough Times are recommended via Presbytery Connect.

Commission on Antiracism and Equity (CARE)

Recruitment: Ongoing.

Virtual Google Tutorial facilitated 7/11 by Megan Hendrickson, Senior Administrative Assistant.

IDI Implementation: The Associate and Thom Cunningham, IDI Qualified Administrators continue IDI work with presbytery entities/groups.

It is noted that CARE/FARE and presbytery staff are completing the IDI process again since additional persons are now on these teams.

Introduction to Systemic Racism Workshop. See the commission report for the updated workshop schedule. The AEP is a workshop facilitator with FARE (Facilitators of Antiracism and Equity).

Process Observation: The commission has prepared and is scheduling at the group's convenience, feedback sessions/next steps with CPM, MISSION, NOMINATING, and COM.

Onboarding Retreat: Held 8/19 at First United PC, Oak Park; facilitated by CARE and FARE co-moderators, and the Associate.

Mission Committee

- a. Attend meetings and provide support to co-moderators, committee, SDOP sub-committee, Salary Supplement, and Small Church Programs and congregations.
- b. New Beginnings Facilitation Team: The Associate actively participates as a facilitator.
- c. Provides, in consultation with presbytery staff, congregational statistics reports. The Associate supports the sub-group tasked with determining what additional grant opportunities are needed by congregations.

Congregations, Community Partners, Events (highlights)

7/16 Faith Community, Chicago. Salary Supplement Grant Program Follow-up Meeting
7/18 Session Retreat Facilitator, Hope Wheaton
7/20 University of Chicago, Community Health, Flossmoor, IL (Potential Partnership)
7/23 Worship Preacher, Friendship PC, Chicago
7/24 Heritage PC, Carol Stream, Small Church Grant Program Follow-up
7/25 Morton Grove PC, Salary Supplement Application
8/3 First Homewood, Salary Supplement Application
8/4 River Glen, Naperville, mission grant opportunities
8/8 Presbyterian Mental Health Network (PHMN)
8/8 CARE w/COM Process Observation Feedback
August 14-18 Parliament of World Religions, Chicago. Represented Chicago Presbytery for these events: 8/14 Opening Ceremony
8/17 Care of Creation Declaration Signing Ceremony, Ecumenism Metro Chicago
8/17 Workshop Co-Facilitator with Advocate Health: *Connection First: Building a Faith-Rooted Healing Engaged Movement*
8/23 First Libertyville w/CARE co-moderators, Land Acknowledgements
August 26-Sept 1: Faculty, The Art of Transitional Ministry, Montreal

Partnerships

The Associate is scheduling, at the EP's request, visits with community partners to further establish and/or deepen collaborative mission opportunities for our congregations. Vetting of, and sharing with congregations, resources to support congregational vitality and mission impact is ongoing.

Presbytery of Chicago Report of the Stated Clerk – September 19, 2023

Recommendations

1. That the Summary Minutes of the May 16, 2023, Assembly Meeting be approved - [\(Action Item #4\)](#)
2. That information Items and Attachments in this Meeting Packet dated September 19, 2023, 2023 be received as information. [\(Action Item #5\)](#)

Information

1. The Stated Clerk reports with great delight the following ordination and/or installation services that have taken place in our Presbytery since our last Assembly meeting:
 - a. The Installation of the Rev. Holly Hoppe as Pastor of St Luke, Downers Grove, IL, on Sunday, May 21, 2023. *(Full report to be recorded in the Minutes)*
 - b. The Ordination of Elias Cabarcas Arroyo, to serve as Organizing Pastor / Evangelist for the Comunidad de Fe Dia Nuevo (also known as Dia Nuevo New Worshipping Community) on Sunday, June 4, 2023, at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church. *(Full report to be recorded in the Minutes)*
 - c. The Installation of Mark Zimmerly as Pastor of Riverside, Riverside, IL, on Sunday, August 6, 2023. *(Full report to be recorded in the Minutes)*
 - d. The (scheduled and anticipated) Installation of the Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin as Pastor of Lake View, Chicago, IL, on Sunday, September 17, 2023. *(Full report to be recorded in the Minutes)*
 - e. **Special thanks** to our very busy Assembly Moderators Barbara Gorsky and Jim Davidovich, who officiate at these services – and there are more to come.
2. The Assembly Planning Team is seeking a host congregation for the May 21, 2024, and September 17, 2024, Assembly meetings. Please contact the Stated Clerk if your congregation is interested in hosting one of these meetings.
 - a. The plan is for the November 14, 2023, Assembly meeting to be virtual, using the Zoom meeting platform.
 - b. The February 27, 2024, Assembly meeting will be hosted by the Elmhurst Presbyterian Church, Elmhurst, IL.

Kenneth J. Hockenberry - Stated Clerk

The Presbytery of Chicago of the PC(USA) held a stated meeting at First Presbyterian Church, 550 North Main St., Glen Ellyn IL, 60137 on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 4:00 PM.

Gathering for Work and Worship

- Assembly participants were asked to register in advance for this meeting, although preregistration was not required.
- Sign-in for minister members and assembly commissioners began at 3:30 PM.
- This meeting was live-streamed; however, minister members and commissioners needed to be physically present to have privilege of voice and vote.
- Assembly Moderator Barbara Gorsky called the meeting to order with prayer at 4:02 PM.
- Chris Griggs, pastor of Glen Ellyn: First, welcomed the assembly.
- Stated Clerk Ken Hockenberry recognized the heritage of the land upon which Chicago Presbytery lies.
- Barbara Gorsky moderated the introduction of first-time ruling elder commissioners; COM Moderator Julie Peterson introduced first-time minister commissioners and announced pastoral transitions in the presbytery.
 - Tassie Green is now the bridge pastor at Wheaton: Hope.
 - Erin Marth is currently the interim pastor at the United Church of Christ, Chicago.
 - Holly Hoppe's installation at Downers Grove: St. Luke will take place on Sunday, May 21.
 - Elias Cabarcas Arroyo will be ordained and installed as Presbytery Evangelist and leader of Comunidad de Fe Día Nuevo on June 4 at Elmhurst Church.
- Darin Nettleton, director of youth and young adult ministries at Naperville: Knox and Chicago Presbytery's newly-approved candidate for ministry, was recognized and introduced himself.
- Traci Smith, along with church members Miriam and Sergio, brought greetings from and information about Día Nuevo, Chicago Presbytery's new worshiping community, including ways to raise awareness of this new community among the presbytery's existing congregations.
- Shavon Starling-Louis, co-moderator of the 225th General Assembly, brought greetings. Her husband, Kirk Louis, was also in attendance.
- **Motion Approved by Consent:** To seat the following individuals as corresponding members to today's assembly:
 - Shavon Starling-Louis, Charlotte Presbytery
 - Kirk Louis, candidate under care of Southern New England Presbytery
 - Barbara Wilson, Chicago Presbytery staff
- Under advisement of Ken Hockenberry, Barbara Gorsky declared that a quorum was present.
- Ken Hockenberry provided an orientation to today's assembly.
 - We have not yet reached the point technologically where a hybrid meeting is possible; we hope to work toward that reality in coming months.
 - Thomas Akompong has resigned as Chicago Presbytery's treasurer to serve full-time at Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh; a search for his replacement is underway.
 - There was no new business for this meeting.

- **Motion Approved by Consent:** To approve the assembly docket as found on pages 9-12 of the assembly call papers [Minutes, pp. **pages**].

Executive Presbyter Report

Craig Howard

- Craig noted that, while each congregation in our presbytery is at a different stage in our respective journeys, we've recently experienced an "earthquake" (i.e., pandemic) that has sent us reeling and permanently shifted our positions. However, the journey continues. We cannot return to where we were – but we can adjust and recover.
- The pandemic has taught us that we are able to adapt and learn. In light of this, we must ask ourselves:
 - Who are we now? Our churches have a future – we are living in the resurrection. But it will not come easy, and it will not come without prayer and discernment.
 - What are we called to do now? We must reevaluate our purpose and value to our respective communities. For some, that will mean that their ministry will be shared or combined with others, or even that God has concluded this faithful work and it is time to look toward congregational legacy. We're all planting for new and fresh expressions of God's church.
 - Who is our neighbor?
- *Check report/recording*

Presbytery Coordinating Commission

David Thornton

- Elias Cabarcas Arroyo's ordination service has been scheduled for Sunday, June 4, at 4:00 PM at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church. The PCC has approved the use of the facilities and property of the former Christ Presbyterian Church in Hanover Park for the Día Nuevo new worshipping community.
- Working with key stakeholders in the presbytery, EP Craig Howard has crafted a new presbytery mission statement: Pursuing worship, service, and communities of justice, we are the Presbytery of Chicago, flourishing together by relating people, neighbors, and churches to one another in Christ Jesus.
- Unfortunately, the sale of the Parkview property has fallen through again. The administration team will continue to work to find a new buyer.
- In order to sell or donate the distressed property at 4038-4040 W Madison Street in Chicago, the presbytery will need to pay back property taxes, totaling \$500,000.
- Ken Hockenberry reviewed the 2022 Annual and 2023 First Quarter Financial Reports.
 - Thomas Akompong prepared a report for commissioners to take back to their respective congregations, found on pages 31-41 of the assembly call papers [Minutes, pp. **pages**].
 - Ken thanked congregations who oversubscribed to per capita and shared mission giving and noted a correction: Naperville: Knox paid 100% of its pledge.
 - Ken provided a first quarter FY24 update.

Nominating Committee

Craig Howard

- **Motion Approved by Unanimous Voice Vote:** To elect the individuals found on page 23 of the assembly call papers [Minutes, p. **page**] to serve on their respective presbytery entities.

Commission on Ministry

Julie Peterson

- **Motion Approved by Unanimous Voice Vote:** To approve the following terms of call:
 - Laura Sherwood, to serve as interim associate pastor at Arlington Heights: First; part time (30 hours/week), effective March 6, 2023, to March 5, 2024. Terms: cash and housing \$65,000; SECA \$4,950; auto and business \$1,500; continuing education \$1,125; full benefits with Board of Pensions (Pastor's Participation); vacation 4 weeks; continuing education 2 weeks.
 - Julie Johnson, to serve as associate pastor at Grayslake: Wildwood; full time, effective August 1, 2023. Terms: cash and housing \$70,000; SECA \$5,600; auto and business \$1,500; continuing education \$1,500; full benefits with Board of Pensions (Pastor's Participation); healthcare reimbursement \$3,000; moving costs up to \$5,000; vacation 4 weeks; continuing education 2 weeks.
- **Motion Approved by Unanimous Voice Vote:** To approve all changes in the 2023 terms of call for ministers in installed pastoral relationships, as listed on pages 60-63 of the assembly call papers [Minutes, pp. **pages**].
 - Correction: Erik Holm is the pastor at Grayslake: Wildwood.
- Julie invited commissioners to join the Commission on Ministry, since there are still unfilled positions.
- Two opportunities for mandatory boundary training are upcoming: June 2-3 and October 17-18. These will be five-hour sessions, split over two consecutive days. Registration information will be provided in Presbytery Connect.

Stated Clerk's Report

Ken Hockenberry

- The Assembly Planning Committee is currently seeking a host for the September meeting; preferably somewhere in the city, since this meeting was held in the suburbs. The November and February assemblies are scheduled to be held on Zoom.
- **Motions Approved by Consent:** To approve the minutes of the presbytery assembly stated meeting of February 28, 2023, and the special meeting of March 21, 2023, and to receive the information items and attachments in the assembly call papers as information.
- Ken Hockenberry expressed his gratitude to the members and staff of Glen Ellyn: First for their hospitality.

Proclaiming and Responding to God's Word

- Assembly Moderator-Elect Jim Davidovich led the assembly in a responsive call to worship.
- The assembly sang "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (*Presbyterian Hymnal* p. 398).
- David Profit led the assembly in a unison prayer of confession and shared words of forgiveness.
- The assembly joined in a choral response from "When Peace Like a River."

- Holly Hoppe read Psalm 23 and Josh Erickson read Acts 2:42-47.
- Shavon Starling-Louis, co-moderator of the 225th PC(USA) General Assembly (2022), preached a sermon entitled “In Common.” A recording of her sermon can be found online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ma8cyxsrvcA>.
- Craig Howard led a Q&A conversation with Shavon Starling-Louis. Assembly participants were given the opportunity to write their questions on cards, which were then given to Craig. A recording of this Q&A can be found online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3w2nfzU3BF0>.
- The assembly sang “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (*Presbyterian Hymnal* p. 276).
- Proceeds from today’s offering benefited the new Día Nuevo worshipping community.
- The assembly shared in communion, with Shavon Starling-Louis and Craig Howard presiding.
- The assembly sang “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine.”

Going Forth to Serve in the Holy Spirit

- The meeting was adjourned with Shavon Starling-Louis’s benediction at 6:11 PM.
- Assembly participants gathered in fellowship around an evening meal after the meeting.