Swiss United Church of Christ

New Glarus | WI

# THE SPIRE

December 2024





# A Message from Our Pastor, Pat Pluss...

Today, as I began working on my Spire article, I tuned into a Christian radio station. The topic of discussion was holiday shopping. This brought back memories of waking up before dawn to join my sister for Black Friday deals. We would stand in line, braving the early morning chill, hoping to snag some great bargains. The radio host today asked listeners, "What would you be willing to wait in a long line for?" The responses were varied. Callers mentioned they

would line up for items like half-priced motorcycles, groceries, and American dolls. Gone are the days when big-screen TVs, espresso machines, or video games are the main attractions! In the church we are coming upon a time of expectant waiting – that is the overarching theme of Advent. Advent is a four-week season dedicated to a reflective preparation for the arrival of Jesus at Christmas as well as the expected return of Christ's second coming. It begins four Sundays before Christmas Day and ends on Christmas Eve.

During Advent worship, we will embrace the themes of hope, peace, joy, and love in our time of waiting. Each Sunday includes the lighting of Advent candles and the singing of familiar hymns. Please join us each week as we reflect on the unexpected nature of the humble birth of Jesus and join in the anticipation of when He will come again!

December Worship - "Life's Unexpected Journey"

Dec. 1st - Hope in the Journey
Dec. 8th - Peace in the Journey
Dec. 22nd - Love in the Journey

The service on Sunday, December 8th will feature a worship experience enriched with the "Sounds of the Season," offering beautiful music that will surely move your hearts. On Sunday, December 15th, Rachel Bauman, our Associate Conference Minister, will join us in worship to deliver an inspiring message. The 7pm Christmas Eve service will continue the cherished tradition of candle lighting. Our final December worship service, on Sunday, December 29th, will include guest speaker Dr. Bryan Wierwill, whose father was a pastor at Swiss UCC!

Christmas Eve Opportunities to worship: New Glarus Home Chapel -10:30am; Swiss UCC - 7:00pm

I hope you will plan on sharing worship with me each Sunday in December as we wait together to celebrate the birth of Jesus and His expected return.

Dave and I are wishing you a beautiful Advent season and a glorious Christmas celebration!

Blessings, Pat



## **Book Club**

Our Advent book club will be held December 3, 10. & 17. Each day has a daily devotional that features a Scripture reading, prayer, and reflection, reminding Christians that God still dwells among us, even in the most ordinary places. We will plan on meeting in fellowship hall 9:30am -11am to discuss our readings. The cost is \$10 and everyone is welcome to join us!

## **Confirmation**

Students and Mentors meet together on Wednesday, **December 4**, **6:00pm -7:30pm**. Be sure to bring your Bible and workbook. Supper will be served.

On **Sunday**, **December 15**, **1:00pm – 3:00pm** meet at the church fellow-Ship hall, and we will car pool to the New Glarus Home, Glarner Lodge, and surrounding area to sing Christmas Carols! We will return to the Church for Hot Chocolate and snacks. Students may be picked up at the church at 3 pm.

I would like to "THANK" the confirmation students who helped clean at Green Cares Food Pantry! Your hard work scrubbing, mopping, and arranging food in the freezers was very much appreciated!





## **Mission Committee**

The Mission Committee extends its gratitude to all who supported our "Fresh Christmas Tree Sale", which was held on Nov. 30th at Rachel and Denny Baker's tree lot in the countryside.

Also, don't forget that our "Blessing Bazaar", in conjunction with the Annual Cookie Walk is scheduled to take place on Saturday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00am to Noon, in Fellowship Hall. Many "Thanks" to everyone who donated their time and came to the Craft-making day in October and to everyone who will be bringing all the goodies for the Cookie Walk.

Your support is invaluable as we strive to gather funds for a clean water well in a community that needs it. We aim to collect sufficient funds to collaborate with Charity Water and turn the dream of a clean water well into reality. Stay tuned for more fundraising initiatives. Your continued support is deeply appreciated!

# **Join us for Christmas Caroling!**

Please join us for an afternoon of Christmas Caroling! Sunday, December 15, 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Meet at the church in fellowship hall, and we will car pool to the New Glarus Home, Glarner Lodge, and surrounding area to sing Christmas Carols! We will return to the church for Hot Chocolate and snacks.



# **Men's Community Breakfast**

Please remember our Men's community breakfast each month. A delicious meal is served, and a time of devotion and discussion takes place too! **Invite someone and join us ~ all are welcome.** 

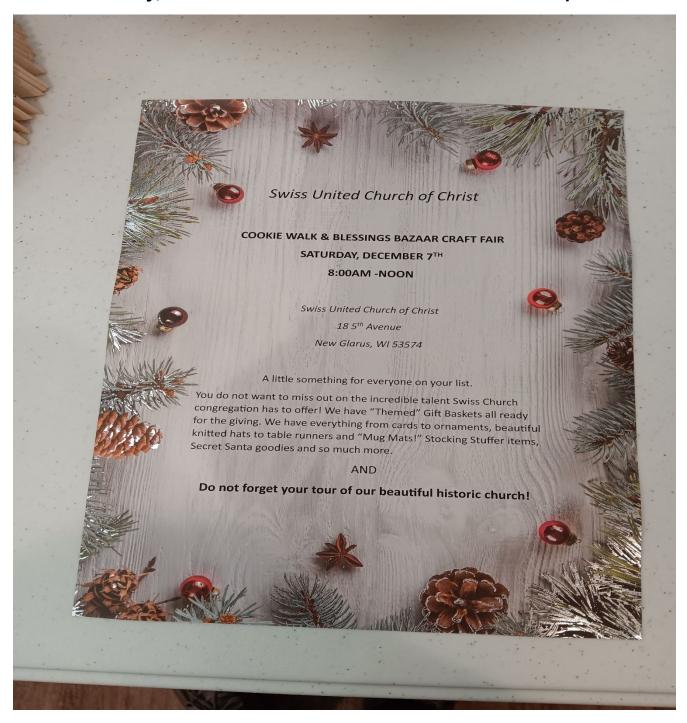
## SCHEDULE:

- <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Dec. 14th 8am</u> –
   Devotion leader: Jon Ziltner
- <u>Saturday, Jan. 4th 8am –</u>
   Devotion leader: Dan Wilkinson
- <u>Saturday, Feb. 1st 8am –</u>
   Devotion leader: Kim Bright

- <u>Saturday, March 1st 8am –</u>
   Devotion leader: John Mauerman
- Saturday, April 5th 8am –
   Devotion leader: Eric Fink
- Saturday, May 3rd 8am

# **SUCC COOKIE WALK & BLESSINGS BAZAAR CRAFT FAIR**

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> – 8:00am – Noon – in Fellowship hall



<u>Stay Safe in the Winter</u> -- Use your discretion during the winter months regarding your attendance at worship services. Extreme lows in temperature plus the wind chill factor can make for dangerous situations. Please use extreme caution when large amounts of snow/ice are present, too. If weather officials are recommending travel "*only if absolutely necessary*", most likely all church activities will be cancelled.

#### How will I know if Swiss Church Services been cancelled?

- Listen to local radio stations: WEKZ 1260AM or 93.7FM
- Check your email or our Swiss UCC Facebook page

# 2024-2025 SUCC Committees/Members & Volunteers

## **Consistory**

Executive: Kim Bright – President, Jon Ziltner – Treasurer; Chris Kiesz – Vice-Pres., Jessica Swan – Exec. Meeting Secretary. Rachel Baker – Consistory Mtg. Sec., Gary Krahenbuhl, Ron Legler, Heidi Mondloch, Steve Rossing, Pastor Pat Pluss

## **Care & Share Committee**

Nancy Galhouse, Ruth Anderegg, Melva Genschaw, Diane Holcomb, Nora Lea Hoesly, Becky Hauser, Sally Lamp, Harriet Wells

## **Education Committee**

Nicole Sidwell, Heidi Mondloch, Pat Pluss

## **Historical Committee**

Bonnie Klassy, Sally Lamp, Amy & Ron Legler, Amber Marty, Mary Usher, Barb Anderson

## **Property Committee**

Diana Lehnherr, Terry Roth, Harriet Wells, Tim Usher, Gary Krahenbuhl, Heidi Mondloch, Tom Marty

## **Missions Committee**

Rachel & Denny Baker, Nora Lea Hoesly, Mary Usher, Kristina Ziltner, Nancy Marty, Pat Pluss, Christine Craven, Cheryl Bartle

## **Planned Giving Committee**

Ruth Anderegg, Rachel Baker, Bill Hustad, Dave Lamp, Nora Lea Hoesly

## Worship/Music

Pat Pluss, Tabatha Barnaby, Gloria Bodenmann, Sara Hendrickson, Colleen Hoesly, Rosalie Huntington, Joe & Kayla Weger, Jeff & Tricia Winden

## **Hospitality/Outreach**

Pat Pluss, Nancy Galhouse, Diane Holcomb (We are currently working on the planning stage for this committee and looking for more volunteers to assist.)

## **Church Wide Fundraising**

Shelly Johnson, Tabatha Barnaby, Diane Elmer, Diane & Dennis Holcomb, Brenda Keepers, Nancy Galhouse

## **Liturgy Readers**

Barb Anderson, Dennis Baker, Rachel Baker, Tabatha Barnaby, Evan Bartosch, Andy Craven, Eric Fink, Colleen Hoesly, Dale Hustad, Bill Hustad, Chris Kiesz, Bonnie Klassy, Diana Lehnherr, Mary Usher, Nancy Marty, Tom Marty, Kim Bright, Rilla French, Peg Roth, Peggy Hartman, Guy Nelson, Sandy Nelson, Judy Ziltner, Tricia Winden, Jeff Winden, Nancy Galhouse

#### Special Music

Nancy Marty; Bell Choir; Mannerchor

## <u>Greeters</u>

Pete, Lana, & Konek Swenson; Casey, Buntha, & Zoe Nelson; Eric, Jessie, & Tyler Fink; Bonnie Klassy & Diana Lehnherr; Sue & Roy Kempfer; Nicole, Nate, Jaiden, Lacy, & Jackson Sidwell; Greg, Melanie & Finley Hubbard; Guy & Sandy Nelson; Dennis & Diane Holcomb; Bill & Jackie Hustad; Dale Hustad; Rachel Baker; Shelby & Ron Fritz; Peggy Hartman; Tricia, Jeff, Clara, & Connor Winden; Kim & Nicole Burton; Charleen & Heinz Mattmann, Linda & Gregg Smith; Tom & Nancy Marty; Brenda Keepers & John Mauermann; Kay Zimmerman; Tabatha Barnaby; Brenda Bright; Gloria Bodenmann; Lindsey & Scott Gruenenfelder; Terry & Peg Roth; Tim & Mary Usher; Jon & Judy Ziltner, Kay Zimmerman, Brenda Bright

## **Coffee Hour Hosts**

Barb Anderson, Tabatha Barnaby, Cheryl Bartle, Gloria Bodenmann, Brenda Bright, Diane & Jim Elmer, Nancy Galhouse, Nora Lea & Mark Hoesly, Diane & Dennis Holcomb, Shelly Johnson, Bonnie Klassy, Diana Lehnherr, Amy & Ron Legler, Nancy & Tom Marty, Sandy & Guy Nelson, Jon & Judy Ziltner

## Flowers on the church grounds

Committee leader: Sue Kempfer Sally & Dave Lamp, Tari & Mike Jones, Pat Jeglum, Sue Kempfer, Margo Kohlbauer (Sue's friend), Jon & Judy Ziltner & family, Tim & Mary Usher, Barb Anderson, Carol Hustad, Jan Hoesly, Jane Martinson, Diane Elmer, and The Family in care of Charlotte's Garden.

Please notify Diane Elmer at the SUCC church office (608)527-2119, or email <u>diane@swisschurch.org</u> if there are any changes or updates needed. Thank you!

December Joyful Celebrations						
			Anniversaries			
4	Gary & Alexis Boll	27	Kent & Barb Anderson			
9	Merton & Delayne Retrum	30	Jon & Judy Ziltner			
14	Carl & Linda Marquart	30	H. Gregg & Linda Smith			
20	John & Joy Freitag					
			Birthdays			
2	Calvin Johnson	14	Oliver Pavek, Kim Stamn			
3	Ty Ready, Diana Clark	16	Jason Perkins			
5	Beverly Yaun	18	Don Rupnow, Leah Hanson, Betty Owen			
6	Katie Pavek, Kay Zimmerman, Dave Owen	20	Sue Kempfer			
7	Delayne Retrum	21	Rachel Baker			
8	Brody MacLean	22	Laney MacLeod			
9	Judy Ziltner	25	Carol Hustad, Dan Wilkinson			
11	Avery Stamn, Carter Stamn, Devyn Wieser	26	Will Oelke, Louise Hicks			
12	Mary Ann Kratzenberg, Bonnie Klassy	28	Jessica Swan, Sam Perkins			
13	Kathy Holland	29	Charleen Mattmann, Karen Wenger, Taylor Legler,			
			Rebecca Hauser, Pat Pluss			
		31	Macey MacLean			

We are truly very sorry if we missed your anniversary or birthday. The information is taken from Realm the church database. Contact the office so we are aware of your special day, so we don't miss it next time.



# Coffee available before Worship!

Grab a cup of coffee or hot chocolate on your way into worship! Our coffee table is located upstairs just off the elevator doors. We know some mornings you are running behind, for those Sundays, or days you just need a quick warm-up please help yourself to a cup from our Keurig coffee station!



# REMINDER - Swiss UCC has Medical Equipment available for your use --



# Swiss United Church of Christ in New Glarus has opened a Medical Equipment Mart.

We became aware that many people don't have access to or cannot afford needed medical equipment after a procedure or accident. We are both collecting, and distributing new and gently used medical equipment. Items such as wheelchairs, canes, walkers, crutches, shower aids, commodes, etc. are both accepted and loaned out.

Please contact our church office at **608-527-2119** for more information on how to donate or borrow medical equipment. Arrangements can be made to drop off items that are clean and in good working order. If you aware of anyone who needs medical equipment, please spread the word. Thank you! God Bless.

Please stop at the back of the Church to pick up your Offering Envelopes throughout the month of December – Thank you!

# DECEMBER

# Calendar of Events **2024**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
<u>Church Office Hours</u> Monday – Thursday: 10 am – 2 pm; Friday: Closed								
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{*SS-Sunday School} 1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Worship Service-In person/live streamed 9:15 am-10 am Children's SS* NGH service 10:30am 1st Sunday in Advent		Book Club - 9:30am-11:00am	Required Clergy meeting – 9:00am-11:00am Confirmation students & mentors 6pm-7:30 pm	Glarner Lodge – 10am		8:00am – Noon Cookie Walk & "Blessings Bazaar"		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
9:00 am Worship Service-In person/live streamed 9:15 am-10 am Children's SS* 2nd Sunday in Advent - Sounds of the Season Event in worship		Book Club - 9:30am-11:00am	Consistory Meeting – 6:30pm Fellowship hall	Required Clergy Meeting 9:30am- 11:30am		Men's Community Breakfast – 8:00am- 9:00am		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
9:00 am Worship Service-In person/live streamed 9:15 am-10 am Children's SS*  3rd Sunday in Advent Rachel Bauman, Associate Conference Pastor preaching today.  **All Church Christmas Caroling- 1pm-3pm		Book Club - 9:30am-11:00am	Property Committee Meeting – <u>6:00pm</u> in Fellowship hall					
22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
9:00 am Worship Service-In person/live streamed 9:15 am-10 am Children's SS* 4th Sunday in Advent		Christmas Eve <u>Services:</u> New Glarus Home Chapel – 10:30am; Swiss UCC - 7:00pm						
29	30	31						
Worship 9 am in person/live streamed  Guest speaker – Dr. Bryan Wierwill								

# Poinsettias for Christmas and Monetary Donations received in Memory of Loved Ones --

## Red, White, & Marble Poinsettias in Loving Memory of...

Doris & Royal Ziltner, Richard & Pat & Shirley Nelson (Guy & Sandy Nelson and Family); Dwight & Marilyn Elmer; Ken & Ramona DeNure (Jim & Diane Elmer & Family); Royal & Doris Ziltner;, Wilton & Lorella Marty (Jon & Judy Ziltner, Kristina, Kim, Luke, & Nicole); Ron Martinson; Fred & Eleanor Meyer; Abert & Violet Martinson (Jane Martinson); Palmer & Mavis Duerst; Rolland & Betty Hustad; (David & Carol Hustad); Lawrence Meland (Naomi Meland, Madeline & Marilyn); Marie Reuter (Tom & Nancy Marty); Our Loved ones that have passed – (Chris & Butch Kiesz); {Mom} – Katie Elmer (Tim & Mary Usher & Family); Dick & Darlene Voegeli (Larry & Diane Powers).

## Donation made in Loving Memory of ...

Beth Ann Hustad - Donation to the Mission Fund - (Dale Hustad)

## Poinsettia – to Spread Christmas Cheer ...

Ruth Anderegg – (Poinsettias for the NG Home Chapel); Debbie & Jim Kundert

## A THANKFUL HEART OVERFLOWS WITH

Generosity

Here are a few different ways to give and support our ministry...



#### **CHECK**

Make a check payable to either Swiss United Church of Christ, Swiss UCC or Swiss Church.

You may designate a specific fund such as General, Property, OCWM, Cemetery or a different fund on your memo line of the check.

#### DIRECT AUTOMATIC FROM BANK ACCOUNT

Please call the church office to complete an authorization form to authorize a monthly donation from your bank account and return to Financial Secretary with a voided check.

## **ONLINE**

Click the GIVE button on our church website at swisschurch.org

Enter the amount you want to give, select a fund and enter your email address.

Click GIVE and enter your payment method to complete the transaction.

#### **TEXT**

Text <u>SWISSCHURCH</u> and the amount to <u>73256</u>.

Click the link you receive in your text message response.

Select a fund, enter your email address and payment information to complete the transaction.

## Thank you for your generous support of the work of our church!

## **North Stairway Closed**

The outdoor steps, leading up to the church from 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, will be **CLOSED** from approximately mid-November through mid-April (depending on the weather). Chains will be in place to help protect **YOU** from potential injury – please do not bypass them. Members and visitors are encouraged to enter the church directly from the handicap accessible entrance on the north side, or through the south doors. Your cooperation helps prevent unnecessary falls to yourself and others.

## SUCC Volunteer Schedule - Dec. 1, 2024 - Feb. 23, 2025

The volunteer schedule has been updated with assignments for Dec. 1, 2024 through Feb. 23, 2025. Please go ahead and schedule your own trade with another volunteer, if you need to switch weeks with someone else on the schedule. After you schedule a trade, please call the church office (608)527-2119, or notify Diane - diane@swisschurch.org, with your change in the schedule. Thank you!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Volunteer</u> – North Door – (facing	<u>Volunteer - South</u>	Communion –	Coffee Hour – Wkly.	
	pool)	Door (upstairs)	(Last Sunday)		
Dec. 1st, 2024	Pete, Lana, & Konek Swenson	Gloria Bodenmann	Barb Anderson	Bonnie Klassy &	
				Diana Lehnherr	
Dec 8th	Guy & Sandy Nelson	Madeline Zuber		Jon & Judy Ziltner	
Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Eric, Jesse, & Tyler Fink	Nancy Galhouse		Nancy & Tom Marty	
Dec. 22nd	Nathaniel & Nicole,	Kim & Nicole Burton		Gloria Bodenmann,	
	Jaiden, Lucy, & Jackson Sidwell			Nancy Galhouse &	
				Shelly Johnson	
Dec. 29th	Greg, Melanie, and	Bonnie Klassy &		Diane & Denny Holcomb	
	Finley Hubbard	Diana Lehnherr			
Jan. 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	Casey, Buntha, & Zoe Nelson	Tim & Mary Usher	Diane Elmer	Sandy & Guy Nelson	
Jan. 12th	Tricia, Jeff,	Linda & Gregg Smith		Diane & Jim Elmer	
	Clara, & Connor Winden				
Jan. 19th	Tom & Nancy Marty	Tabatha Barnaby		Nora Lea & Mark Hoesly	
Jan. 26th	Brenda Keepers and	Peggy Hartman		Barb Anderson &	
	John Mauerman			Cheryl Bartle	
Feb. 2nd	Scott, Lindsay, & Myles Gruenenfelder	Kay Zimmerman	Barb Anderson	Tabatha Barnaby & Brenda Bright	
Feb. 9th	Charleen & Heinz Mattmann	Diane & Dennis Holcomb		Amy & Ron Legler	
Feb. 16th	Shelby & Ron Fritz	Dale Hustad		Bonnie Klassy &	
				Diana Lehnherr	
Feb. 23rd	Bill & Jackie Hustad	Rachel & Denny Baker		Jon & Judy Ziltner	

Note: If you are scheduled with another SUCC member on this coffee hour rotation – please contact them ahead, so you discuss your plan to host coffee hour.

Thank you to All Volunteers at SUCC - we appreciate you!

2024 Consistory Members				
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Nicole Sidwell (817)913-6221 nsidwell@gmail.com	Steve Rossing (608)558-8765 srossing57@gmail.com			

## Swiss UCC Consistory Meeting Minutes October 23, 2024

<u>Attending:</u> Kim Bright, Jon Ziltner, Chris Kiesz, Ron Legler, Rachel Baker, Nicole Sidwell, Jessica Swan, Steve Rossing, Heidi Mondloch

Absent: Gary Krahenbuhl, Pat Pluss

The meeting was called to order by Kim Bright at 6:31. Chris Kiesz led us in prayer.

## **Agenda**

With the addition of Planned Giving recommendations and office space concerns, Heidi Mondloch moved to approve the agenda; Jon Ziltner seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## Treasurer's Report for Financial Statements ending September 30, 2024

Income for September was \$17,756 and expenses were \$19,408 for a net loss of \$1,653. Year to date income is \$178,026 (2023 income through September was \$172,140) and expenses are \$170,909 (2023 expenses through September were \$168,129) for a gain of \$7,117.

The only large unbudgeted expense for September was for \$1375 paid to have the water in our fire sprinkler system analyzed to help find a solution to the ongoing leak problem.

Respectfully Submitted, Jon Ziltner

## Approval of Consent Agenda

The consent agenda to approve the September minutes and Treasurer's Report was made by Kim Bright; seconded by Chris Kiesz. Motion carried unanimously.

Kim Bright moved to approve the checks written as presented; Rachel Baker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Heidi Mondloch moved to go into closed session; Jessica Swan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Heidi Mondloch moved to return to open session; Jessica Swan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## Pastoral Report

- I hope you will address the possibility of moving confirmation to a one-year program? The reason I want this to be considered is because it appears our upcoming classes may be very small. We could offer confirmation every other year for both 7 & 8 grades. I have purchased a workbook for the class and it would be very doable to complete in one year. I would confirm all 7 students this year which would include 5 second year students and 2 first year students. It appears we may only have one student to enter next year. Thank you for sharing your ideas.
- I took a clergy class last Thursday and Friday. It was suggested churches consider the formation of a policy for Facebook and website pages. Currently I update the Facebook page frequently. However, occasionally posts are made on the site from others. If we have a policy in place, and those posts do not follow the policy, I would remove them. What we want posted on both sites should possibly be in policy form.

Saturday, November 2, 8am - Men's community breakfast Sunday, November 3 – All Saints Day observance Sunday, November 3 – Worship at The New Glarus Home Wednesday, November 6, 6pm -7:30pm - Confirmation Students and mentors

Thursday, November 7, 10am - Bible Study Glarner Lodge

Thursday, November 7 - Crochet Class 9am -11am

Wednesday, November 13 – Mission Committee meeting 7am

Thursday, November 14 – Required Clergy meeting 9:30am -11:30am

Thursday, November 14 - Crochet Class 9am -11am

Saturday, November 16, 9am-11am - Confirmation Class working at Green Cares

Sunday, November 17 – Worship/Music Committee following Worship

Sunday, November 24 – Mannerchor singing in worship

Saturday, November 30 – Christmas Trees for sale at Denny & Rachel Bakers to benefit Charity:

Water mission drive

Heidi Mondloch will arrange a meeting with Pat Pluss and Ben Bedward to create policies for administering our Facebook and Webpage sites.

Discussion on confirmation suggestion tabled.

## Property Committee Report by Heidi Mondloch

- Ahern Plumbing will be working with Tom Marty regarding monthly flushing of the sprinkler system to reduce bacteria.
- The display on the fire control panel of the heating system is not working. Tom Marty is attempting to obtain a refurbished panel.
- Tom Marty is seeking an inspection of the heating system from Monroe Heating and Sheet Metal.
- Property Committee is creating a call list of people available to respond when situations needing immediate action occur.
- It was decided that the nursery should remain in Fellowship Hall due to safe practices protocol.

## Old Business

- Cemetery transfer negotiations with the Village are progressing nicely, and the end of November deadline should be met.
- Kim Bright moved to approve the safe conduct policy and procedures issued through the Insurance Board; Jon Ziltner seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- Chris Kiesz and Jessica Swan have created recommendations for guest pastors who substitute for Pat Pluss. They will be reviewed by Consistory before November's meeting.
- Discussion was had regarding office space needed when the bank wants our office space back in April.
- Zwingli House discussion tabled until next month.
- Sanctuary screen tabled until more cost information is gathered.

Jon Ziltner, on behalf of Planned Giving, recommended to the Consistory the disbursement of funds from Benevolence as follows: \$500 to the Bartosch family, \$300 to hurricane relief, and \$300 to the Tennessee EMS facility receiving an ambulance from the New Glarus EMS. Rachel Baker moved to approve his recommendations; Nicole Sidwell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Rachel Baker moved to adjourn; Heidi Mondloch seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

# **2024 YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

## **General Fund**

	2024	2024	2023	2024	2024	2023	2024	BUDGET
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	NET	NET
	INCOME	INCOME	INCOME	<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>	INCOME	INCOME
January	\$19,427	\$20,512	\$14,898	\$18,978	\$20,543	\$18,404	\$449	-\$32
February	\$25,888	\$15,968	\$21,565	\$20,567	\$19,185	\$18,517	\$5,321	-\$3,217
March	\$30,268	\$29,376	\$24,184	\$18,274	\$19,809	\$18,820	\$11,994	\$9,567
April	\$15,460	\$21,929	\$25,832	\$17,664	\$18,656	\$17,617	-\$2,203	\$3,273
May	\$20,305	\$16,020	\$17,245	\$20,223	\$19,822	\$20,052	\$82	-\$3,802
June	\$18,039	\$15,316	\$15,594	\$17,854	\$20,441	\$20,224	\$185	-\$5,125
July	\$16,466	\$20,666	\$20,846	\$17,033	\$17,347	\$15,959	-\$567	\$3,319
August	\$14,418	\$15,695	\$16,030	\$20,908	\$17,813	\$17,849	-\$6,490	-\$2,119
Sept.	\$17,756	\$16,244	\$15,946	\$19,408	\$20,677	\$20,689	-\$1,653	-\$4,433
October	\$20,347	\$17,072	\$16,998	\$18,941	\$18,483	\$17,196	\$1,406	-\$1,412
Nov.			\$15,946			\$18,751		
Dec.			\$41,490			\$22,432		
YTD	\$198,373	\$188,798	\$246,573	\$189,851	\$192,778	\$226,508	\$8,523	-\$3,980
BENEVOLEN	CE DONATIO	NS	OTHER FUND FINANCIAL SUMMARY			Balance as of 10/31/2024		
	OCWM	Non-OCWM		Net Income				
	Restricted	Restricted	Cemetery	Property	Endow	General		\$41,688
January	\$1,152	\$1,373	\$72	\$900	1st Qtr	Property		\$119,255
February	\$1,002	\$5,601	\$91	-\$6,850	Income 4,242	Restricted		\$85,494
March	\$777	\$2,689	\$701	\$9,940	Sales 11,513	Cash Reserve		\$106,042
April	\$752	\$268	\$111	\$1,020	2nd Qtr	Cash Rese	rve CD	\$50,902
May	\$1,407	\$1,410	-\$1,354	\$5,925		Cemetery Checking		\$3,729
June	\$887	\$4,104	-\$665	\$1,495	\$3,467	Cem. Savings		\$12,174
July	\$857	\$837	-\$1,939	\$415		Cem. Perpetual Care		\$58,297
August	\$1,277					Endowment Fund		\$619,304
Sept.	\$834	\$11,265	-\$276	\$1,238	\$3,206	Debt Obligation		\$0
October	\$807	\$10,465	\$541			Current Liabilities		\$1,311
Nov.								
Dec.								

YTD

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\$28,561

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3:30 PM

10/4/24

# Swiss United Church of Christ

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