

Ottawa Reformed Church Consistory Meeting Notes

Monday, June 2, 2025

1. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed on June 8, Pentecost Sunday.
2. The installation and ordination of our incoming Elders and Deacons will take place on June 15 during our morning worship service.
3. Elder/Deacon Assignments for 2025-2026: President (Executive Council) – Pastor Mike Van Buren, Vice President (Executive Council) – Kevin Bekius, Clerk of Elders (Executive Council) – Craig Bekius, Chairman of Deacons (Executive Council) – Roger Whitman, Treasurer (Executive Council) Jake Visser, Assistant Treasurer – Andrew Geertman, Clerk of Deacons – Austin Morren, Envelope Secretary – Andrew Prince.
4. Council Assignments for 2025-2026: Business Administration – Tim Emmert & Ryan Bekius, Christian Education Assistance – Ken Prince & Nate Engelsma, Congregational Care – Tom Hill & Nate Engelsma, Outreach – Brent Nyenhuis & Austin Morren, Spiritual Formation – Ken Prince & Andrew Geertman, Worship – Bruce DeVries & Andrew Prince.
5. The Special Offering for June is designated for Hand2Hand and will be collected on June 15.
6. June Preaching Schedule: June 1 AM – Pastor Mike Van Buren, PM – Dr. Jim Poit; June 8 AM – Dr. Jim Poit, PM – Pastor Mike Van Buren; June 15 AM – Dr. Jim Poit, PM – Pastor Mike Van Buren; June 22 AM – Pastor Mike Van Buren, PM – Dr. Jim Poit; June 29 AM – Dr. Jim Poit, PM – Pastor Mike Van Buren.
7. Next Council Meetings: Business Administration 06/30/25, Congregational Care 06/16/25, Executive TBA, Outreach 08/19/25, Spiritual Formation 08/11/25, Worship 08/12/25.
8. The Mission Projects Fund has been depleted and merged into the Mission Fund.
9. A motion was made to inform the congregation about our finances through the Consistory Notes. The motion carried was to publish the following reminders:
 - Our fiscal year ends on June 30, 2025.
 - Funds are taken from the General Fund to fully cover our mission commitments.
 - We are thankful for the generosity that is making the new building project possible.
 - At this time, the General Fund is approximately \$20,000 short.
 - We gently ask the congregation to consider contributing some year-end givings in order to finish the 2024-2025 budget in the black.

Worship Attendance Record

| | <u>05/04/25</u> | <u>05/11/25</u> | <u>05/18/25</u> | <u>05/25/25</u> | <u>06/01/25</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 9:30 AM Service | 390 | 365 | 391 | 318 | 362 |
| 5:00 PM Service | 139 | 107 | 109 | 83 | 202 |
| Annual Congregational Meeting | | | 151 | | |

May 18, 2025, Financial Report

| | <u>Givings</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Ahead/(Behind)</u> |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| General Fund | \$ 635,757.51 | \$692,158.46 | \$(56,400.95) |
| Mission Fund | \$ 57,190.38 | \$ 76,731.54 | \$(19,541.16) |
| Building Fund | \$1,053,736.40 | | |

Offering Report

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