

St. John's Congregational Quarterly Meeting

October 26, 2025 following early service

Packets were distributed as members gathered. The packets included the meeting agenda, the previous meeting's minutes, the financial report as of September 30, 2025, a report from Pastor Patti, a report from the pastoral intern, a report from the call team for a senior pastor, and a report from the youth department.

President Aaron Clark began the meeting with a word of prayer.

The meeting was then called to order at 9:20 am.

Aaron briefly reviewed the minutes from the July quarterly meeting. Pam Witternberg made a motion to approve the minutes. Karen Grossman seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Financial Report: Treasurer Kathy Myers presented the financial report. She informed the congregation that although the church is doing okay financially at the moment, giving levels are down from the usual amounts, and we need to remain vigilant to stay balanced over time, especially as staff are hired.

Kathy noted that money is being spent from the bequest holding fund on the renovations, but we are also still earning interest on that account for as long as possible.

Kathy reminded the congregation that for 2025 the intern is being paid from the endowment fund for 2025 and was to be put in the budget for ½ year of 2026, as approved by the congregation. Going forward, the finance team and council are asking for that to be a line item in the 2026 budget for the full year, she asks us all to be in prayer about that before we vote on the budget in January.

Kathy asked for any questions and none were given. She noted that the report will be filed.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Patti Morlock thanked the congregation for their patience with a lot going on around the church right now. She noted that many points are listed in the written report on her work at this time. She also pointed out her work with the intern and how Billie has also been a great help in sharing the work during this interim time.

Other information can be found in the pastor's written report.

Intern report: Pastoral Intern Billie Fisch thanked the congregation for welcoming her and her husband Bob into the church. Other information about her work can be found in her written report.

Call team report: Call Team Chair Steve Johnston spoke and highlighted from the written report that the congregational workshop had helped narrow down a top 5 list of qualities we are looking for in a senior pastor. Other important points can be found in the written report. Steve reminded the congregation that the most important thing to remember is that the call process is God's plan and His timetable and please keep praying for the process.

Youth report: A written report has been submitted. There were no other questions asked during the meeting.

Renovation team report: Dan Yeater reminded the congregation that the renovations will address 10 main points and he gave a status update on each. The first three (sanctuary lighting, HVAC replacement, parking lot resurfacing) are complete. We were also able to get heat pumps added with no additional cost. Other points in process now: FLC door replacement, tuck pointing, bell tower, water damage repair, stained glass windows. Yet to be done are the gutters/flushing, and the FLC floor replacement.

Aaron asked if there were any other questions, and seeing none, said we had reached the end of our agenda.

Mel Penrod motioned to adjourn the meeting. Betty Lewis seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The meeting was concluded with saying the Lord's Prayer together.