

FIRST UCC CONSISTORY MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

A meeting of the Consistory of First United Church of Christ was held on Monday, September 20, 2021. Present were Dallas Bailey, Barb Simonton, Pat Frey, Craig Kern, Mike Coulson, Karen Byers, Dave Rohrer, Pastor Chris Schwab, Brian Gish and Gail Havens. Absent: Susan Stott, Lisa Harrison and Greg Lewis.

Devotions were given by Barb Simonton.

The August 2021 Consistory minutes were approved by Pat Frey and seconded by Dave Rohrer. All approved.

Treasurer's Report: Craig Kern reported giving is down, but with the markets up our investments are up. All councils are on budget except Advisory. This is due to the office administrator working more hours than original estimated for the 2021 budget. Report approved by Pat Frey and seconded by Karen Byers.

A member Tracy Bauer asked to speak to Consistory. Both Tracy and her husband Brian work in the health care industry. They were not happy requirements to wear masks were put back into place at church services and other events held in the church. A discussion was held later by Consistory members with differing opinions. The majority felt we need to keep the protocols of mask wearing and social distancing in place as recommended by Dr. Greg Lewis and the COVID Task Force committee.

Banners for the 100th Anniversary will be done this week and will be hung on the light posts out front. An article about the 100th Anniversary was published in The Sentinel on September 18. Pastor Chris will speak of the ground breaking during the service on September 26. Punch and cookies will be served by Caring Fellowship after the service on the plaza.

Property council reported the church was cleaned by Filtra earlier this month. Cleaning will continue on a month to month basis as recommended by the COVID Task Force. Dallas reported he has started the process of looking into replacement recommendations for the air conditioning unit. The current system is 38 years old.

A sub-committee was formed with members from Stewardship, Property and Church & Ministry to look into a new sound system for the church. Craig Kern, Pat Frey, Brian Gish and Pastor Chris will serve on the sub-committee.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion from Pat Frey and seconded by Craig Kern. Next meeting will be Monday, October 18, 2021 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Havens
Secretary of Consistory