

**United Church of Chapel Hill**  
**2021 Annual Budget Congregational Meeting**  
**November 3, 2021**

**Interpretation Services:** Provided by Murtado Language Solutions

**Call To Order:** Mary McMillan, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

**Opening Prayer:** Cameron Barr, Senior Pastor

**Reflections from the Moderator:** Mary McMillan, Moderator provided a high level summary of the events of 2021 including:

- Impact of COVID-19 and the gradual return to in person worship
- A welcome to those members not yet ready to attend services in person
- Importance of continuing electronic delivery of worship services
- Brief summary of the IT Task Force charged with implementing livestreaming of Sunday worship services
- Gratitude to all who have worked tirelessly to produce weekly online services
- A thank you to the congregation for funding the church's activities during the pandemic

**Senior Pastor Report:** Cameron Barr shared the following information:

- A year to date summary of the gradual transition from fully remote to in person worship guided by the status of the COVID-19 spread in the community. The goal has been to start small, make incremental steps, evaluate based on the spread of COVID-19 in the Chapel Hill / Carrboro communities and course correct when required.

**Questions and Comments:**

- Funding of recommendations from the IT Task Force: the Trustees will engage once the full cost is known.

**Highlights of 2022 Budget:** Anne Stoddard & Doug Bruce, Trustees

- Guiding principles for 2022 budget planning:
  - Re-engagement with the congregation
  - Providing transparency around the budget process
- Slides from the November, 2021 Congregational Meeting can be found on the [About Us tab](#) > **Church and Council Documents > Other Reports and Documents > November 2021 Congregational Budget Meeting**

**2022 Stewardship Campaign:** Susan Renwick & Jody Forehand, MES

- Jody Forehand reviewed the "Shine Your Light and Sharing Your Gifts" pledge campaign

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- Several individuals expressed their gratitude for the ways in which the church staff has responded to the congregational needs during the pandemic
- There was a general discussion on the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan granted to UCCH
- A continuing concern was expressed for those individuals unable to attend church in person and for how the church can best support them
  - Mary Elizabeth Hanchey is in the process of developing community groups in locations such as Carol Woods and Ferrington Village. A question came from the congregation about developing a community group at Carolina Meadows.
  - MES is working on a plan to take cider and donuts to various retirement communities
  - Live streaming of services is vital to ensure that these individuals feel integrated into the church communities

**Motion to Approve 2022 Operating Budget:**

- **Quorum:** Cameron Barr confirmed that a quorum had been reached and that the vote to adopt the 2022 Operating Budget could proceed
  - **Motion:** Anne Stoddard made the motion that the UCCH congregation endorse the 2022 Operating Budget
  - **Second:** Peter Schay

**Closing Prayer:** Cameron Barr, Senior Pastor

**Adjournment:** Mary McMillan, Moderator

**Meeting Adjourned:** Mary McMillan, Moderator

**Respectfully Submitted:** Jane Landreth, Clerk