# Marion Reformed Presbyterian Church

Congregational Meeting 2022

## 2022 Annual Meeting Proposed Agenda

#### **OPENING**

Welcome	Jason Camery, Pastor	
Praise	Psalm 92	
Prayer	Jason Camery, Pastor	
Roll Call	Scott Hunt, Session Clerk	
Adoption of Agenda	Scott Hunt, Chairman	
Election of Officers	Scott Hunt, Chairman	

#### Reports

Session Report	Scott Hunt, Session Clerk	
Pastor Report	Jason Camery, Pastor	
2021 Budget Report	Jason Camery, Pastor	
2022 Budget Proposal	Jason Camery, Pastor	

#### Business

	Adoption of 2022 Budget	Jason Camery, Pastor	
Closing			
	Adjournment	Congregational Chairman	
	Prayer	Greg Fisher, Elder	
	Praise	Psalm 133A	

Total Membership: Communicant and Baptized, 48
Average AM Worship Attendance, 50

(3) Average PM Worship Attendance, 20

(4) Baptized Members Professing, 1

(5) New Members by Profession,

(6) Net Change in Total Membership, +6

## **Session Report**

Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Luke 12:32-34

As the Session looks back over the past year, we see the promises of our Lord are not empty. Though much chaos and uncertainly abounds all around us, we are grateful for the order and security we have in Christ. Though the scourge that is Covid-19 is still among us, we are thankful for the protection we have from the deadly pestilence. Though the work before us would appear insurmountable, the Lord saw fit to raise up two gifted men to serve as Deacons. Though from a worldly perspective we could appear insignificant, the Lord is blessing us with treasures in the heavenly places. For all of this, we are thankful

As we began the year, one of the great challenges we faced again was financial uncertainty. We encouraged the congregation to consider the budges as a challenge and not an obstacle. And again, we see the Lord has provided. We rejoice with the Psalmist that we have not seen the just forsaken, nor his children begging for bread. (Psalms 37:25) Despite being a small congregation, we have been given enough provision to continue to sustain us. God has indeed been faithful to his saints in Marion.

This past year has also seen our Pastor serve a *very* active and necessary role in the work of the broader church. The Session is thankful that the church could benefit from the gifts of our pastor. Though those duties have subsided in large part for Pastor Camery, he still remains an integral part in protecting and preserving the purity of the Church. Scott continues to serve as a Provisional Ruling Elder for the Belle Center Congregation, though with the election of two elder-elects, his service in that capacity is coming to an end. Even though we do not know what the Lord has in store for the members of the Session, we trust that the Lord will continue to utilize us in the service of his Kingdom.

Once again the Session wants to thank Lord for this congregation. You go out of your way to be warm and welcoming, to give self-sacrificially of your time and energies, and to devote yourselves to both public and private prayer. The love you continue to show demonstrates your love for Christ.

As has been mentioned in prior years, it is one of the wonderful privileges of the Session to meet together as a Court of Christ's church, and for us to meet with you, to pray for you, to counsel you, and to witness the Lord's work in your life. The Session convened in constituted court on twelve occasions this past year and had the added blessing of seeing our first ordained Deacons. We were able to celebrate the Lord's Supper twelve times this past year as well. We were also able to witness the baptisms of a covenant child. Praise the Lord for this sign and seal of His covenant and the demonstration of his generational love. We also receive new members into our congregation and are thankful for the uniting of our hearts together in Christ.

The session would like to take this again like to publically express our gratitude for each one of you. You are all a great encouragement to us. You continue to be a "city on a hill," a great example of what the living body of Christ should look like. It is a great privilege to serve Christ by serving you. We look forward to what the Lord will do for us in 2022 as we rejoice in the Lord's continued faithfulness to us in 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott J. Hunt Clerk of Session, Marion Reformed Presbyterian Church

### "Sing aloud to God our strength, shout for joy to the God of Jacob!" (Ps.81:1)

The worshippers of God are excited to their work, and are taught, by singing Psalm 81, to stir up both themselves and one another to it, v. 1-3. Our errand is, to give unto God the glory due unto his name, and in all our religious assemblies, we must mind this as our business.... (Matthew Henry on Psalm 81)

I hope the Gospel work we are doing in Marion is exciting for you and your family. The Lord has done great things for us by giving us another year of work in His kingdom. As your pastor, I preached on four different Psalms in 2021. We were able to complete the book of Luke along with Amos and I Peter. These were an encouragement to me, and I pray they also blessed you.

In 2021, for the first time in our young life as a church, we were able to elect and ordain two deacons for ministry. We are thankful for Jacob Fisher and Billy Cole as they serve our church and help lead us to more opportunities in 2022.

I am pleased to report that the Westminster Preschool has been a great blessing to our church. In 2021, the preschool made (and paid for!) many improvements to our building. Hardwood floors were installed in every classroom and hallway (\$36,000). A new gas stove was purchased for the kitchen (\$8000). The church elevator was repaired and the annual maintenance performed (\$1500). A total investment into our building for 2021 was \$45,500! They have big plans for 2022 as well, including a complete update to the four downstairs restrooms, with a plan to convert one to a locker room with a shower. All the windows on the preschool side will be replaced this Spring and new lighting and hardwood floors will be installed in the fellowship hall! God is indeed good to us!

This next year, we look forward to new ministry opportunities and a possible jail ministry. The men's study at Don's Tap started well, and we look for that to continue. Our hope is to grow in the Lord and to lead others there to Christ! Pray that God will bless that outreach! The session will keep you updated on any new developments.

Jenny and I are so thankful for all you support and prayers! We love you and your families and we always lift you all up in prayer!

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth. .... Colossians 1:3-6

In Christ,

Pastor Jason

#### Marion Reformed Presbyterian Church 2021 Spending Report Through December 31, 2021

Income:	2021 Proposal	2021 Actual	2022 Proposal
Tithes & Offerings Gifts	80000	82021.07 6055	85806
RPM+M	November Collection	225	November Collection
Interest	25	30.94	25
Other Income (RPCNA Pension Plan)	250	250	250
Preschool Rent	28,325	27752.32	29000
Special Collections	,	670	
Transfer from Savings account			
India Mission, 2nd RPC Indianapolis	500		
Total	109100	117004.3	115081
200s MRPC Administration			
201 - Administration	1000	403.68	1000
202 - Christian Education	350	46.99	350
203 - Pulpit Supply	750	950	1000
204 - Pastor Expense	500	518.94	500
205 - MISC.	150	403.98	200
206 - Nursery	100	100	100
208 - Media/website/outreach	2000	2385.06	3000
Total Administration	4850	4808.65	6150
210s MRPC Building			
211 - Mortgage	6655.2	6655.2	6655.2
212 - Maintenance	5500	7301.67	5500
213 - Grounds and Parking	2000	663.63	2000
214 - Supplies	1500	1470.57	1500
215 - Utilities	19000	22016.22	22000
216 - Insurance	5140	5206.5	5200
217 - Building Improvements			
Total Building	39795.2	43313.79	42855.2
220s MRPC Ministries			
221 - Fellowship & Hospitality	1500	1974.51	1500
222 - Outreach/Evangelism	1000		Moved, line item #208
223 - Mercy	500	312.88	500
224 - India Mission	500		500
227- RP M+M	November Collection	225	November Collection
228 - Synod Assessment	2,400	2388	2400
229 - Presbytery Assessment	900	843.29	900
Total MRPC Ministries	6800	5743.68	5800
220s Pastor Camery			
230s Pastor Camery 231 - Housing	31980	31980	28980
232 - Salary	21320	21,319.92	19820
232 - Salary 233 - Pension	4500	4600	4500
233 - Felision 234 - Health Insurance	7200	7020	6700
235- Health Expense	7200	020	0700
236-Pastor Education		0	
Total Pastor Expenses	65000	64919.92	60000
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Grand Total Expenses	116445.2	118786	114805.2