

# Terre Haute Reformed Presbyterian Church

Terre Haute, Indiana

## Report to Presbytery

### Spring Meeting 2023

Dear Fathers and Brothers,

Greetings in the name of our risen Savior! We continue the gospel ministry here in Terre Haute, in His name, by His power, and for His honor and glory as King of kings and Lord of lords. The following are some highlights:

#### Worship

We have enjoyed an entire year of regular worship services with the whole congregation at the point where they feel comfortable attending in-person due to the diminished threat from the Covid virus. Session has maintained a Zoom option for worship services, but this is largely used by members who are suffering from illness or are otherwise unable to attend. We continue to have Sabbath School at 9:30am with the morning worship service starting at 10:45am. We finished our multi-year sermon series through Genesis having taken breaks every couple of months for short sermon series and have moved on to the book of Romans. In the evening, we had several shorter series on e.g. the book of Ruth, the letters to the churches in Revelation, and a series on Psalms to encourage God's people to sing with understanding.

#### Fellowship

Our congregation enjoys a fellowship meal on the first Sunday of each month, following our celebration of the Lord's supper. Moreover, the congregation is faithful in showing hospitality throughout the week, which reflects the overall unity and love in our congregation. There is a regular Women's Fellowship Bible Study and the Men's Fellowship was able to hold a wide range of events in an effort to build fellowship among the men of the congregation, some of whom have difficult schedules and live at a distance.

#### Bible Study

The Women's Fellowship continue their study of Hebrews. We also continue our Thursday Evening Bible Study, which finished a short course on covenantal baptism and then launched into the gospel of John. On occasion, in lieu of the study, a Reformation Roundtable was held as an outreach event to connect with those in the community who are already acquainted with reformed theology. The adult Sabbath school class has enjoyed some lively discussion as it has moved through a series on relationships in the Christian life, *Christianity in America* by Stephen Nichols, Calvin's *Golden Booklet of the Christian Life*, and now a study on Law and Gospel. Session held a retreat in the fall to discuss vision for the church, and was unified in seeking a way to

ensure that our junior high and high school students are firmly grounded and conversant in systematic theology, perhaps through the rigorous study of a catechism.

### Building and Grounds

The diaconate was established in our congregation with the ordination and installation of two deacons in December 2022. The deacons have already been hard at work, particularly on the facilities and finances, and we as a Session are actively seeking ways to further equip and guide them in their important ministry to the congregation. Our "Property Search Committee" visited a second property at a central location in Terre Haute but determined that though beautiful and full of character, the building's state of disrepair was unmanageable. In the meantime, we are very thankful to God for our current facilities.

### Membership

The congregation has enjoyed modest numerical growth. One family transferred to another RPCNA congregation. Two communicant members and two baptized members have been added. The net result is that the membership numbers remain the same from 2022. However, there are presently four individuals who are moving toward church membership. We hope to grow, both in faith and number, and pray that Acts 2:47 might be realized for us too, if even to a lesser degree: "And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved." Here are current membership numbers:

- Current Professing Members: 26
- Current Baptized Members: 13
- Regularly Attending: 6

Blessings to you in Christ,  
The Session of Terre Haute RPC

THRPC Budget Report -- February 13, 2023

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget
<b>100-INCOME</b>	\$ 115,500.00	\$ 112,642.35	\$ 112,000.00
101 - Tithes and Offerings	\$ 113,000.00	\$107,496.30	\$ 112,000.00
102 - Designated Gifts to TH (local)			
104 - Outside Gifts	\$ 2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
105 - Designated Gifts (outgoing)		\$2,646.05	
<b>200-PASTORAL SUPPORT</b>	\$ 77,200.00	\$ 78,033.00	\$ 74,950.00
201 - Pastor's Salary	\$ 38,500.00	\$38,508.00	\$ 40,000.00
202 - Pastor's Housing Allowance	\$ 30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
204 - Pension	\$ 8,250.00	\$8,625.00	\$ 4,500.00
205 - Professional enrichment	\$ 450.00	\$900.00	\$ 450.00
206 - Other Expenses			
<b>300-CHURCH MINISTRY</b>	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 7,667.85	\$ 7,600.00
301 - Children's SS Curriculum	\$ 800.00	\$565.95	\$ 800.00
302 - Christian Education Materials	\$ 250.00	\$89.90	\$ 250.00
303 - Pastor's Ministry Expenses	\$ 3,000.00	\$2,772.42	\$ 3,000.00
304 - Guest Ministry	\$ 1,800.00	\$1,217.00	\$ 1,500.00
305 - Mercy Ministry	\$ 300.00	\$2,745.08	\$ 1,000.00
306 - Website Hosting	\$ 100.00	\$30.00	\$ 100.00
307 - Other		\$10.97	
309 - Youth Ministry			
310 - Missions	\$ 400.00	\$22.44	\$ 500.00
311 - Fellowship Activities/Gifts/Nursery	\$ 450.00	\$214.09	\$ 450.00
<b>400-CHURCH ADMINISTRATION</b>	\$ 700.00	\$ 696.10	\$ 700.00
401 - Church Office Expenses	\$ 700.00	\$696.10	\$ 700.00
403 - Other			
<b>500-DENOMINATION</b>	\$ 3,336.01	\$ 3,265.01	\$ 4,150.00
501 - Presbytery Assessments	\$ 736.01	\$736.01	\$ 800.00
502 - Synod Assessments	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,529.00	\$ 2,600.00
503 - Presby & Synod Delegate	\$ -		\$ 550.00
504 - RPM&M	\$ 500.00		\$ 100.00
505 - CYPUP	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00
<b>600-CHURCH BUILDING</b>	\$ 19,600.00	\$ 21,622.52	\$ 22,510.00
601 - Mortgage	\$ 9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
602 - Insurance	\$ 2,000.00	\$3,258.75	\$ 3,300.00
603 - Cleaning	\$ 1,650.00	\$1,960.00	\$ 1,960.00
604 - Maintenance (subtotal)	\$ 2,000.00	\$1,745.00	\$ 2,000.00

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– Maintenance: Bug Man			\$840.00	
– Maintenance: Mowing			\$805.00	
– Maintenance: Snow Removal			\$100.00	
607 - Utilities (subtotal)	\$ 4,200.00		\$5,281.16	\$ 5,500.00
– Utilities: Electric – Duke			\$1,550.67	
– Utilities: Gas – Vectren			\$888.21	
– Utilities: Sewer			\$338.52	
– Utilities: Water			\$328.82	
– Utilities: Internet & Phone			\$1,545.64	
– Utilities: Sermon Audio			479.4	
– Utilities: Zoom			\$149.90	
609 - Other				
610 - Church Supplies (reimbursements)	\$ 750.00		\$377.61	\$ 750.00
<b>700-FACILITIES TEAM</b>	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 208.24		\$ 1,000.00
701 - Discretionary Project Fund	\$ 1,000.00	\$208.24		\$ 1,000.00
705 - Approved Project (2022): Chairs	\$ 1,500.00	\$0.00		
706 - Proposed (2021): Bldng upgrade research	\$ -			\$ -
<b>800-OUTREACH</b>	\$ 750.00	\$ 210.82		\$ 750.00
801 - Printing				
802 - Mailing			\$47.82	
803 - Facebook			\$163.00	
804 - Other	\$ 750.00			\$ 750.00
<b>900-MISCELLANEOUS</b>	\$ -	\$25.00		\$ -
		\$25.00		
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	\$ 115,500.00	\$ 112,642.35		\$ 112,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	\$ 111,186.01	\$ 111,703.54		\$ 111,660.00
<b>NET INCOME:</b>	\$ 4,313.99	\$ 938.81		\$ 340.00
<b>Balance Transfer to Savings Account</b>	\$ 2,000.00			\$ 2,000.00

<b>ACCOUNT SUMMARY</b>	<b>12/31/2021</b>	<b>12/31/2022</b>	<b>2/13/2023</b>
<b>Checking Account balance:</b>	\$ 67,987.62	\$ 70,256.59	\$ 73,273.70
Savings Acct balance:	\$ 7,511.15	\$ 7,511.91	\$ 9,511.91
Building Fund balance:			