

2025 Great Lakes/ Gulf Presbytery Meeting

Reformed Presbyterian Church of Lafayette

“...may the Lord of Peace himself give you peace at all times in every way.”-2 Thess. 3:16

As we look back on 2024, the session has noted on many occasions that we have experienced a great blessing of a season of peace and stability. This is truly a blessing from the Lord of Peace and one we as a congregation need to consistently give thanks to God. The session is vastly aware of God’s leading, and provision, and we continue to thank God for using our congregation to build His church in this local community.

One of the greatest blessings in 2024 was the election and eventual ordination and installation of three new deacons. Already we have seen and experienced the blessing of a larger deacon board, and the increased blessings our deacons can be to the congregation and community.

As a congregation, we continue to be blessed by the faithful ministry of our pastoral staff. Our Senior and Associate Pastors work well together in bringing pastoral care and faithful teaching to our congregation. Adam has now finished his seventh full year of ministry here in Lafayette. We are glad that the Niess family was able to take a six-week sabbatical this last summer. Jonathan has now finished one and a half years as our Associate Pastor and he continues to be a blessing in numerous ways.

The preached Word continues to be central to our ministry as a congregation. This year Adam has finished his series on the book of Ezekiel and Jonathan continues in the book of Mark. Please continue to pray for our pastors as they prepare each week and that we continue to love and value the preached Word.

In the fall of 2024, we are also thankful that we have approved Jonathan Park to start a pastoral internship with our session. Please continue to pray for the Lord’s leading for Jonathan and Ashley as they continue to consider the call of the Lord toward potential full-time ministry.

Our congregation continues to be involved with ministering weekly at the Tippecanoe County Jail. We also continue to minister to undergraduate and graduate students at Purdue as well as young adults through our CORPS ministry. We also continue to minister to the youth of our church through Youth Group and Sabbath School programs.

In 2024 the session met as a constituted court a total of 24 times. As of 12/31/24, our current membership is 152 (110 communicant members, 42 baptized members.) Net change in total membership is +1 from 12/31/23. Our average attendance for our worship services was 133 (-1 from 2023) in the morning, and 105 (-1 from 2023) in the evening. During the year we have dealt with two discipline cases. Unfortunately, both of those have resulted in excommunications. We continue to pray for those individuals.

As a session, we also continue to be involved in the larger courts of our denomination. At the synod level, Adam is on the International Conference Advisory Committee; Bob is serving as Vice President of the E&P board and is serving on the board of RPTS including chairing the 100 years at Rutherford Hall campaign (with Marlene). At the presbytery level, Adam is serving as interim moderator of Selma, and chairman of the Candidates and Credentials Committee, and speaker for the Fall Ministry Project; Jonathan is serving on the Sparta Shepherding Committee and speaker for the CYPU Winter Conference; Chris is serving on the membership committee; Aaron served as Clerk of Ad Interim Commission for part of 2024; and Ken is serving on the Finance Committee, Ad Interim Commission, and (along with Christy), as Covfamikoi conference directors.

We thank God for how He is guiding our congregation. We continue to seek God in all we do and are grateful for how He continues to fill our cup with his goodness and mercy.

Membership:

Communicant	110 (-2)
Baptized	42 (+3)
Total	152 (+1)

Changes:

New Converts (+)	0
Transfers-In (+)	8
Baptisms (+)	1
Transferred-Out (-)	4
Removed (-)	4
Deaths (-)	0

Please see our attached financial reports as well as the financial audit for 2023

On behalf of the session,

Ken Nelson, Clerk

Reformed Presbyterian Church of Lafayette				
2024 Treasurer Report				
2025 Proposed Budget				
	YTD			
	2024	2024	2024	2025
	Actual	Budget	Over/Under	Budget
Income				
Interest	17,543	12,000	5,543	16,000
Rent	21,600	21,600	-	25,307
Tithe	407,995	392,057	15,938	415,000
Total Budgeted Income	447,138	425,657	21,481	456,307
Special Gift Income	13,236		13,236	
Total Income	460,374	425,657	34,717	456,307
Expenses				
<u>Church Building</u>				
Capital Improv exp	16,650	40,000	-23,350	40,000
Building fund	37,183	37,183		40,000
Furniture & Equipment	5,157	5,500	-343	5,000
Insurance	5,887	5,800	87	6,000
Maintenance	19,051	12,000	7,051	16,000
Rental Expense	20,879	12,000	8,879	20,000
Supplies	5,001	7,500	-2,499	5,000
Utilities	11,185	12,500	-1,315	12,500
Technology	4,917	5,000	-83	5,000
Total Church Building	125,910	137,483	-11,573	149,500
<u>Congregational Giving</u>				
Scholarships	2,757	4,800	(2,043)	4,800
Bravely	400	400	-	400
Miscellaneous Missionary		800	(800)	1,000
Presbytery Assessment	4,517	4,517	0	4,330
RP M & M	7,800	7,800	-	9,000
RP Seminary	4,400	4,400	-	8,000
RTF	2,000	2,000	-	2,200
RP Global Mission	6,800	6,800	-	10,000
Synod Assessment	9,097	9,097	-	9,837
Trinity Mission	1,000	1,000	-	1,100
International Students Inc	1,000	1,000	-	-
Gifts of Grace				1,000
Total Congregational Giving	39,771	42,614	(2,843)	51,667
<u>Ministry Expense</u>				

Administrative	4,442	6,500	(2,058)	5,973
Christian Ed	4,500	3,600	900	4,500
College Ministry	1,459	2,500	(1,041)	2,500
Hospitality Committee	2,418	3,000	(582)	3,000
Social Committee	2,954	3,500	(546)	3,500
Jail Ministry	2,568	3,800	(1,232)	3,800
Mercy Ministry	299	3,500	(3,201)	3,000
Nursery	479	300	179	300
Outreach		1,300	(1,300)	1,300
Session	1,946	2,000	(54)	2,000
Session Conferences	3,281	3,200	81	3,200
Intern Salary				4,800
Youth Group	1,195	1,100	95	1,500
Church Safety	1,189	4,000	(2,811)	1,500
Book Table	640	800	(160)	800
Total Ministry Expense	27,370	39,100	(11,730)	41,673
<u>Allowances and Salaries</u>				
Guest Speakers	3,347	3,000	347	3,000
Ministry Expense - Adam	2,251	4,100	(1,849)	4,100
Ministry Expense - Jon	4,109	4,100	9	4,100
Custodian Salary	6,565	6,240	325	6,240
FICA	1,614	1,514	100	1,543
Housing - Adam	27,560	27,560	-	
Housing - Jon	31,000	31,000	-	
Pastor Salary - Adam	72,426	72,426	-	108,880
Pastor Salary - Jon	31,000	31,000	-	71,670
Pension - Adam	5,720	5,720	-	
Pension - Jon	6,250	6,250	-	
Office Manager Salary	12,308	12,800	(492)	13,184
Office Support	1,231	750	481	750
Total Allowances and Salaries	205,381	206,460	-1,079	213,467
Total Budgeted Expense	398,432	425,657	-27,225	456,307
Fund Transfer Expense	300		300	
Special Gift Expense	18,571		18,571	
Total Expense	417,303	425,657	(8,354)	456,307
Net Income	43,071	-	43,071	(0)

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Statement of Financial Position Comparison

As of December 31, 2024

	TOTAL	
	AS OF DEC 31, 2024	AS OF DEC 31, 2023 (PY)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
100 Pefcu Checking	258,115	160,748
110 Pefcu Money Market	336	1,380
120 Pefcu Savings	55	5
122 Pefcu CD	0	101,606
125 Financial Enhancement Group	208,775	105,896
Total Bank Accounts	\$467,282	\$369,635
Other Current Assets		
150 Other Receivables	0	349
155 Prepaid Mercy Gift Cards	0	250
Total Other Current Assets	\$0	\$599
Total Current Assets	\$467,282	\$370,235
TOTAL ASSETS	\$467,282	\$370,235
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		
210 FICA Payable	0	0
215 Deferred Revenue	1,800	1,800
216 FSA payable - Adam	128	9
217 Other Payable	16,650	0
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$18,578	\$1,809
Total Current Liabilities	\$18,578	\$1,809
Total Liabilities	\$18,578	\$1,809
Equity		
300 General Fund	242,992	244,310
310 Retained Earnings	112,879	0
315 Building Fund	37,183	0
320 College Ministry Fund	1,360	1,360
330 Family Conference Fund	2,276	2,276
355 Book Table Fund	854	854
360 Mercy Fund	1,643	0
390 Youth Group Fund	2,448	2,748
392 Adoption Fund	4,000	4,000
Net Revenue	43,071	112,879
Total Equity	\$448,704	\$368,426
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$467,282	\$370,235

We have examined the financial records of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Lafayette and have found the following:

1. No problems or questions were noted.

2. The following error(s) or problem(s) were found and were resolved as follows:

There were gaps in the documentation available to support transactions, and improvements are needed in segregation of duties and internal controls surrounding the accounting processes. The deacons are working to address these items, and improvements have been made to correct some of these weaknesses since the financial review for 2022 was performed.

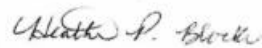
We did not find any significant financial errors or exploitations of the control gaps in our review.

Congregation RPC of Lafayette Date February 8, 2025

Review Committee Members:



Daniel Dillon



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Please send two copies of this report to your Clerk of Session to be submitted to your presbytery clerk along with your congregational reports.