

## October Council Highlights

Council gathered for its quarterly meeting on October 10. Dennis Eliason, Dee Moore, Alice Goertz, Pam Larson, Robert McDaniel, Dale Laidlaw, Kathy Graff, Joan Moyer, Vince Snowbarger, Donna Whiskeman, and Pastor Packard were present.

Dennis presented the financial situation through the end of September. He pointed out that contributions are running more than \$3,000 per month **under** budget for the first quarter of the church year. Expenses are also below budget, but there is still a small net deficit. It was also pointed out that our investment funds are also down due to declines in the stock market.

Council also discussed the wind-down of Pastor Charlie's ministry to UCSJ. Pastor shared his plans for the next month. Plans are also being made to celebrate Charlie's time with us after the service on November 6. A subcommittee is working to plan an appropriate send-off. Pam also shared plans for supply pastors following Charlie's departure.

Council then turned its attention to various security issues at UCSJ. The Administrative Committee had begun researching various changes to the building's physical security related to cameras, door locks and restricting access to the building. A subcommittee was appointed to continue to review security issues to include any needed policies.

The Pastor Search Team joined council to discuss their progress and to clarify positions of compensation, housing, nature of parttime, and other questions that have arisen as they have interviewed candidates. One thought concerning housing was to reach out to the congregation to see if anyone knows of housing opportunities, particularly rentals, that might be available. If you become aware of such possibilities, please let one of the PST or council members know.

The next Administrative Council meeting is **Monday, November 14 at 9 AM**. The next full council meeting will be **Monday, January 9 at 9 AM**.