

Mt. Sinai Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

Annual Report of 2023



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Annual Report of the Congregation for 2023

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2023 Annual Report

Message from the Moderator – Dennis Laderwager

The pages that follow represent activities and accomplishments of each of the church boards, action teams, consisting of church members and friends alike, that have so successfully taken us through 2023. I consider the year to have been a post-pandemic transition year. The results, in my and many others' opinion, was that the year was a resounding success.

Congregational Nurture experienced significant changes as the result of hard work and planning as we began navigating the post-pandemic landscape in 2023. The board saw the startup of the Game Changer team, focused on community interaction, as well as the Technology Team supporting our social media platforms, and our in-church technology. All of the teams under Congregational Nurture made significant strides during 2023 as you will find in their report.

The Mission Board took us in new directions this past year to support individuals locally and well beyond through the establishment of new partnerships with other churches as well as with the Suffolk County 6th Precinct. Every endeavor undertaken by the Mission team was fully supported by our church family and friends beyond expectations. Please see the wonderful successes in their report.

The Worship and Sacraments Board sustained and nurtured the congregation at Sunday services, holidays, and other events throughout the year. The team should be especially commended for using the gifts of fellow congregants to support the full scope of our weekly services, and for ensuring that we are able to celebrate Communion each month. The board's report goes well beyond this. Please be sure to make it a point to see just how successful this team was.

The Finance board recognized we can no longer support a deficit budget and with the congregation, voted to take the proper action. The board report outlines this and other matters related to stewardship and other financial matter including the startup of the Strategic Planning Action Team.

The Buildings and Grounds board oversaw the restoration of the parsonage which will be a major selling point for minister candidates. And the board continues to ensure that both the buildings and the grounds are properly maintained to be the welcoming church we have all come to love.

In closing, I urge you to read each report. They provide a great sense of not only the church's accomplishments, but the dedication and fervor that exists in our midst.

Dennis Laderwager, Moderator

Congregational Nurture January 1/24.

Brief update of the annual report

Membership - One new member inducted in January.

Caring Ministry - Continues with its usual tasks of providing cards to those unable to attend church or experiencing an illness. The prayer list is updated and printed in the church bulletin on a weekly basis.

Men/Women's Groups -The breakfast groups continue to meet as usual at Zona Diner, while the lunch groups are trying different restaurants twice a month.

Hospitality - Jane Carter's 57 years as Church Clerk was celebrated on 1/21/24 with a special coffee hour. A beautiful cake with a picture of the church on it was provided, and Jane was given a gift certificate to her favorite restaurant. Thank you Jane!

Red Barn - Closed for the winter

Game Changers - On 1/13/24 there was a fund raiser for Island Heart Food Pantry. Approximately 75 people attended, at least half were members of the community, and \$1600 was raised for the pantry. The band donated their time and provided a great night of music and fun.

Bible Study with Terry Burke has generated attendance of about 25 people from our church members and from the community. This will be an ongoing series each Sunday after worship for as long as the group remains interested. Thank you Terry for an interesting series!

The next Game changer meeting will be held on 1/30/24 via zoom at 7pm. This will be a planning session for 2024 activities.

Technology Team- The Church logo has been completed with 3 slightly different versions that can be utilized in different formats. The website update by Erica Schultz is nearing completion. Thanks to Carol Wiebelt for spearheading these changes! Leesie Schultz has continued to provide Facebook postings on a regular basis.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara DeTurk, Lead

MISSIONS YEAREND REPORT 2023

The Missions Board organized and participated in many meaningful projects and events in 2023. Following is a summary of contributions by Missions to our wider church community.

In January, Missions announced a knitting and crocheting effort for the patients at Stony Brook University Hospital. Several yarn workers from within the congregation and beyond offered their time and talent to make blankets, hats and shawls for this project. We sent a total of 20 blankets, a dozen shawls and more hats than we could count, to the hospital. I believe this effort also led to the re-establishment of the ladies' Friendly Circle who now meet weekly to complete yarn projects for the community.

On January 15th, we participated in the dedication of our Peace Pole in its new location on the grounds of the church. Many people attended the ceremony and the subsequent social.

In February, Missions organized a collection of new or gently worn shoes for the Soles4Souls project. This project seeks to provide shoes to those in need throughout the US as well as other countries when disaster hits. We partnered with the Old Steeple Community Church in Aquebogue to help them reach their goal of collecting 1000 pairs of shoes. Our church alone donated a total of 450 pairs of shoes to this cause.

On April 2nd, members of Missions attended the Turkish Cultural Center Dinner held in Voorhees Hall. This was an enjoyable evening of sharing and community that MSCC participates in annually.

On May 6th, Missions held the Second Annual Beach Clean-Up in honor of Earth Day. About a dozen people from our church attended and collected many bags of trash from the shore of Cedar Beach in Mount Sinai.

During the month of June, Missions participated in several activities. On June 3, the Moms Demand Action organization held their annual Walk Across the Brooklyn Bridge in support of gun violence prevention. Missions organized a group from our church to attend as well.

Over the weekend of June 10 and 11, Missions purchased and provided a Pride flag in order to collect signatures on it in support of trans and gay rights. The signed flag was presented to the Suffolk County Police Department's LGBTQ+ Society. We originally became aware of this Society earlier in the year when our church's Game Changers Committee collected prom gowns and evening wear for LGBTQ+ youth, and we delivered them to the Suffolk Police Sixth Precinct for donation to this organization.

In August, we began collection of school supplies for the children of the families who visit the Island Heart Food Pantry. About 40 bags of supplies were distributed on August 30 and 31 at the pantry.

In September, Missions composed and provided letters for our church members to sign in support of the passage of the 2023 Farm Bill. Twenty-six letters were subsequently delivered to Congressman Nick LA Iotta.

In October, in support of the Suffolk Police Sixth Precinct, members of Missions attended their annual Faith and Blue event in the Selden Starbucks. This event seeks to build relationships and communication between the police and members of the surrounding community faith groups.

Also in October, Missions organized a book drive for the benefit of the library of the Unkechaug Nation in Mastic. Their library had suffered damage from recent heavy rains, and many books were destroyed. We collected books for children in grades 1 through 8. Missions delivered about 350 books to the Nation's Community Center in Mastic in November.

On October 17, I attended a PRC webinar on "How Churches Can be a Part of Gun Violence Prevention". Reported back to the Missions Board on their recommendations.

In November, Missions began collecting items for our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for the benefit of the Island Heart Food Pantry. We were able to distribute turkeys, hams and bags of food to go along with the Thanksgiving meal to 120 families for the holiday.

In December, Missions organized a Toy Drive to benefit the children of the families who receive services from Family Services League in Riverhead. At the suggestion of the Worship and Sacraments Board, donated toys were to be placed under the Christmas tree at the front of the sanctuary. The tree was not only decorated beautifully, but looked so full and welcoming with the many toys donated by our members. We combined our collection efforts with those of the Mt. Sinai Fire Department, and Missions was proud to deliver two full SUV loads of toys to the FSL offices in Riverhead for this mission. According to the FSL representative, our toys were party of a larger donation to benefit 600 children in our area.

As the year ends, we are in the process of collecting gently used coats to be delivered to Maureen's Haven Homeless Shelter in Riverhead. Coats will be delivered to them in January.

As our budget was reduced somewhat this year, we did not make as many financial donations as we may have in the past. Below is a list of donations.

Financial Donations

Hope Children's Fund
Sunshine Prevention Center (summer camp)
Scott Beigel Memorial Fund
Bread for the World
Church World Services (period packs)
One Great Hour of Sharing

It has been my immense pleasure to organize these projects for our congregation. I am always simultaneously taken aback, awed, and gratified at the level of support by the members of our church for the projects Missions undertakes.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Simas
1/9/24

Island Heart Food Pantry Annual Report 2023

The success of the IHFP is possible due to much effort and teamwork. First and foremost, the support from Long Island Cares, Island Harvest, Trader Joe’s, Lidl, Temple Beth Emeth, Universalist Unitarian Fellowship of Stony Brook, Rocky Point Rotary, and many individuals and businesses, enable us to stock our shelves. Also, the dedication and compassion of over 30 workers make the IHFP one of the most vibrant hunger resources in Suffolk County.

	Adults	Children	60+	Families	Individuals
2021	8,259	4,563			12,914
2022	9,279	6,218	2,164	3,577	17,661
2023	13,355	7,987	2,862	5,093	24,204

In line with 2023 national statistics, the IHFP again saw @30% rise in recipients. Attaining sufficient resources this year was difficult as increasing prices and broken supply chains continued to affect the major food banks, which then trickled down to IHFP. Although we secured several grants, the funds did not go as far. Grants include:

- **HPNAP** – Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program Grant; \$3623 LIC (previous year \$3100)
- **TEFAP** – The Emergency Food Assistance Program Grant (pounds per year)(LIC)
- **Wakefern Community Grant** (LIC/ Shop Rite); \$750 LIC (previous year \$1000)
- **HPNAP Operational Grant** – Staffing costs only; \$3500 LIC (\$4240 previous year)

It was necessary to apply several times for a reallocation of the HPNAP funds, which run from July through June. Those requests were rarely granted. The IHFP was also denied grants through Walmart (Community Grants), and other pursued options (listed below).

The HPNAP Operational Grant – We were awarded \$3500 of the \$5000 maximum; was appealed and denied. This is a reimbursable grant which is applied for in July, and issued after submitting documentation in Dec 2023 and in May 2024. It must be used for salary only.

In March 2023, the Director’s salary was defunded (\$12,000 yearly; split between the church and pantry funds). Kathy Lahey resigned as full-time director in March but worked out a plan with Janice Flaiz to split responsibilities; 50% reduction of salary, all to come out of IHFP funds. Proposal submitted and approved by council (4/13/23). The withdrawal of all church financial support adds stress on the pantry to sustain itself and keep the growing pantry afloat.

2023 Food Drives/Fundraisers

- Rocky Point Rotary Club – Financial support (\$2000); several huge food drives
- Temple Beth Emeth of Mount Sinai – several food drives incl “Grocery Store Scavenger Hunt”; Financial support; TBE Youth program invested in IHFP.
- Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Stony Brook – several food drives; financial support.
- Spooktacular Food Drive
- Bomba Socks donations received
- Local Boy Scouts PB&J Drives, Facility clean-ups and other assistance

- Mt Sinai Congregational Church – Weekly donations program
- Lidl Market – donates imperfect products; allow us to have food drives. This has proved to be an excellent additional partner in our efforts to serve the community.
- Jane Guido Memorial Foundation - several large food drives
- Allied Foundation: Docs for Diapers Connection
- Georgio's connection

Operational:

- After trying for four years, the IHFP finally got a QR code to facilitate fundraising
- Continuous critter issues addressed by exterminator.
- Hired Strong Island Sprays for ticks and mosquitos on premises.
- Several food contamination alerts nationwide. Follow-up.
- Received refrigerator from Kelly's, donated old one to Hope House Ministries
- KL training with LIC Christine re new ordering protocol
- **Ongoing Operations:** Weekly ordering/pickup/delivery, sort/stock/rotation food, secure volunteers, distribution, clean facility, temperature logs, pay bills, donor request/response, daily numbers, submit monthly reports (to OMN, LIC, Island Harvest); Exec Council reports; Keep church pantry stocked; Inspections; annual Food Safety & Civil Rights courses satisfied
- Constant correspondence with Governor's office, Long Island Cares, Feeding America re advocacy; Hunger Initiatives and Legislation; Petitions; Government shutdown alerts; pass on to church members and public via social media

Extraneous Programs:

- Easter; Back-To-School supplies; Halloween; Little Library; Sleeping Bags
- Annual Thanksgiving Meal Drive – Distributed 100+ full holiday meals/gift cards to guests. Donations from MSUCC, RP Rotary, Island Harvest, LIC, City on A Hill Community Church.
- Christmas concluded with packed boxes of food for each family, including a \$10 gift card, Bomba Socks, and some toys for the children.
- Organize Benefit Concert for January 13, 2024; Andy Del and the Courageous Cats will donate their music; secure Voorhees Hall

by Kathy Lahey 1/16/24

Finance Board for 2023

Our community of members and friends has provided the much needed financial support during our year of difficulty due to our minister Rev. Hobbs moving back home. Those members who were able continued to pledge and support the church.

Our investments (Hallock and Wicks Funds managed by Merrill Lynch, and Dream Fund managed by Janet Montgomery and Scott, LLC) did well this year. During the Annual Meeting, the congregation voted to move the Dream Fund into the Hallock Fund so it would produce better interest.

Our church continues to employ our staff (office administrator and custodian) in part time positions.

The Stewardship Drive went well this year. We voted on a \$190,000.00 budget at our Annual Meeting in November. We had 65 pledging units and raised \$197,810.41. The congregation pulled together as a team to do fundraising to support our budget and bring us out of our deficit from last year. I'm pleased to report that we balanced our budget this year. Thank you everyone.

The Finance Team worked closely with the Search Committee to ensure the best possible way to hire a new pastor that was affordable for our budget. A decision was made and voted on and approved by the congregation to hire a part time pastor at a special meeting.

The Finance Team is grateful to the many volunteers who do the work of the Church
A Special Thanks to:

- *Treasurer Rita LaRosa for her knowledge and expertise in managing our finances.
- *Assistant Kate Laderwager for managing our accounts payable.
- *Debbie Michienzi our Financial Secretary who records pledges and donations.
- *Janice Flaiz for auditing our financial records.

Gratefully submitted on behalf of the Finance Board,
Barbara Lyon

Board members: Jim Cibulka, Dennis Murphy and Carol Wiebelt

Congregational Nurture Board Annual Report 2023

Mission Statement -The purpose of the Board of Congregational Nurture is to carry out the Church's mission of loving one another. Recognizing that all people are children of a loving God, we are called to create a welcoming, nurturing, supportive and caring community for all who seek to follow Jesus's commandment to love one another.

The Congregational Nurture (CN) Board consists of the following groups; Caring Ministry, Membership, Hospitality, Men's and Women's Fellowship Groups, Red Barn, Game Changers, and the Communication/Technology Team.

Caring Ministry (Barbara DeTurk lead) - Jayne Hardy resigned her position as lead this fall, and with no one offering to take her place Barbara DeTurk will run meetings when needed. Caring Ministry sends out cards to those who are unable to attend church marking major holidays and birthdays. The Sunday School children have made cards for this ministry and are much appreciated.

Updating the prayer list is done by Jayne Hardy and the prayer list is now printed in the bulletin each Sunday.

Nancy Byrnes Joined Caring Ministry this fall and she has begun to visit those members who are unable to attend services due to illness or debility.

The **Grief Support Group** has conducted two sessions this year, one six week session in March, the second in December as a grief during the holidays session. These meetings are attended by members of the congregation as well as the community and are highly regarded by those who participate. Thank you to Diane Corson for leading these sessions.

Membership (Diane Murphy Lead)- Eight new members were inducted in January 2023, there is another person who is interested in membership and plans to join in early 2024. The membership team developed an updated policy for removal of members at the request of Church Council. This policy was revised and adopted in May 2023. The policy was used as a guideline to cull the roll of members in time for a vote at the annual meeting in November. Membership has also made sure there are welcome bags in the Narthex, and visitors who sign in are called following worship. Diane Corson has turned over the lead of this group to Diane Murphy.

Hospitality (Nancy West Lead) -This dynamic group consisting of Nancy West, Doris Esposito, and Betty Fanning has conducted coffee hours once a month during the year. In February, Doris Esposito spearheaded a Chili fundraiser which raised \$435, and a cookie exchange in December bringing in \$260. In April the hospitality team organized a wonderful goodbye party for Rev. Phil Hobson. At present we are asking for volunteers to expand the coffee hour to twice monthly.

Men Fellowship Group (Bob Schultz, Dennis Murphy leads)- The men's breakfast group meets weekly at 8am at Zona restaurant or Ralph's Fishing Station in the summer.

Women's Fellowship Groups (Marian Brozinsky lead)The woman's breakfast group meets twice monthly at Zona restaurant at 9am. Women's Lunch Bunch meets twice monthly at various restaurants. Both men and women's groups foster good will and companionship within our church community.

Craft Group -Doris Esposito has also started a craft group that meets on Tuesday afternoon. This group knitted many of the items sold during the Holiday Bazaar.

Red Barn (Barbara DeBree, Patrice Perreca leads)- The Red Barn Thrift store was open from May-November this year and cleared approximately \$14,000. Barbara DeBree and Patrice Perreca organize and run the Red Barn with a team of volunteers. This is a wonderful way to reach out to the church's local community and it was an integral part of two major community outreach projects the church had this year; the Quilt Show, and the Holiday Bazaar.

Game Changers (GC's) (Barbara DeTurk Lead)- In February 2023 a group of 11 members of the congregation signed on to take a course and read a book called Being the Church in the Post-Pandemic World by Kay Kotan. Once the course was completed the Game Changer group met to develop a plan to expand our outreach to the community. We branded our initiative Saturdays at Mt. Sinai Church and these were the activities conducted by the group.

1. Quilt Show - May 27, 2023 The GC's helped publicize this event and there was a great deal of interaction with the local community.
2. Steeple Showcase Concert
3. 6/3/23-GC's host a table at the Sound Beach Community Center
4. Senior Safety 6/21/23 attended by ~30 church and community members and conducted by the Suffolk County Police Department.
5. 6/24/23 Steeple Showcase Concert
6. 7/15/23 - Family Fun day at Cedar Beach
7. 7/29/23 -Steeple Showcase Concert GC's helped publicize
8. 8/20/23 -Half day retreat with Rev. Lois Mueller
9. 8/26/23 Steeple Showcase Concert
10. 9/18/23 Marketing training meeting with Lisa Strahs-Lorenc
11. 9/28/23 Narcan presentation by Suffolk County Police
12. 9/30/23 Steeple Showcase Concert
13. 10/14/23 GC's host a table at the Sunshine Fall Festival
14. 11/11/23 Holiday Bazaar - Publicized by GC's, tremendous interaction with local community raising \$9600.
15. 12/17/23 -Cookie Exchange

The Game Changers group will coordinate future activities with the Strategic planning Group.

Upcoming Events

-Jan/Feb 2024 - Bible Study with Terry Burke

-1/13/24 Island Heart Food Pantry fund raiser -GC's publicized this event

Technology/Communication Team (Carol Wiebelt lead) -In the fall of 2023 a team was formed to update the church Website and catalogue the technology devices present in the church. Equipment was purchased to allow Sunday services to be live-streamed on Youtube, eliminating the need to pre-record the service. In December Erica Schultz was hired to update the church website and create a church logo. This project will be completed in the later part of January 2024.

Erica also instructed the Tech Team in Facebook management. Leesie Schultz assumed management of the church Facebook page after this training session, with Carol Wiebelt and Carol Melendez as content contributors. We now have a daily Facebook posts and our engagement with the public has increased 700%.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara DeTurk
Congregational Nurture Lead

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Worship and Sacraments Ministry Board

Board Members and Teams

Jamie Dunlop, coordinator, Baptism Standing Action Team

Doris Esposito, coordinator, Communion Standing Action Team

Vicki Francis, coordinator, Ushers and Greeters Standing Action Team

Celeste Gronda, member at large; streaming camera operator

Sue Hoff, Board Lead; coordinator, Music and Liturgy/Pulpit Supply Standing Action Teams

Patrice Perreca, coordinator, Liturgists and Church Environment Standing Action Teams

Early in 2023 this board's responsibilities changed from that of a collaborating advisor to the minister to become a worship planning, designing, writing, scheduling, and conducting group of undaunted volunteers. Following notice of Rev. Hopson's plan to leave Mt. Sinai, the board met on February 2nd.

These became our goals:

- We will stick to our plans for Lent, Holy Week, and Easter with the theme of *Transformation*.
- We have a challenging and exciting path ahead. Our board can seize this time to renew worship and explore new forms.
- We must take care of each other, our church people, and our church.
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I am happy to report that we took care of business.

The standing action teams listed above continued to function with team members filling their specified roles as greeters, servers, readers, and musicians, with the added responsibilities of selecting hymns, creating liturgy, and building cohesive orders of worship with meaningful liturgies, music, and messages.

The church's decision to forego hiring an interim minister meant that the task of scheduling speakers for worship fell to the Worship and Sacraments board. We realized that we would require an ordained person for the first Sunday of each month for Communion service. To that end we sought information from the Suffolk Association and the PRC about available pulpit supply ministers in the area. Among those who have served are Rev. Canon Peter Larom, our neighbor; Rev. Candace Whitman; and Rev. Janet Wright. We sought Rev. Mary Larsen's services for weddings and funerals. Both Rev. Whitman and Rev. Larom have performed baptisms on Communion Sundays during this time.

We turned to our congregation to solicit persons willing to take the pulpit and bring the message on Sundays. These courageous speakers have included Diana Aiello, Charlene Apsel, Terry Burke, Yaki Cahoon, Jamie Dunlop, Amanda Gordon, Celeste Gronda, Sue Hoff, Dennis Laderwager, Barbara Lyon, Tom Lyon, Patrice Perreca, Debbie Quigley, and Rev. Dr. Marsha Williams. We also enlisted relatives, Danielle (Lyon) O'Brien and Rev. Max Hoff. Our gratitude to these folks extends farther and deeper than words can express.

To assist with liturgy and pulpit supply we sought members for a team devoted to those functions. That new standing action team began its work in June. Its members are Diana Aiello, John Casper, Dennis Murphy, Patrice Perreca, and Sue Hoff. The team met with the board and Charlene Apsel of the PRC in September to plan Advent and Christmas services.

Caroline LaVopa, Stacey Humphreys, and Cheryl Masone have faithfully presented children's messages for worship services. They also participated in services during the summer in coordination with their summer Sundays Bible camp. Working with Patrice Perreca, they conducted the 10 o'clock Christmas Eve morning worship service, presenting a sweet reenactment of the Christmas story with 19 children participating. For the 9 o'clock Christmas Eve evening service, Barbara DeTurk and Amanda Gordon, planned and conducted, along with Jamie Dunlop, a traditional ceremony of readings, candles, and carols.

The Worship and Sacraments Ministry Board wishes to thank the congregation for its unwavering support and encouragement during this period without a settled minister. So many have expressed their appreciation of the board's efforts to maintain a valid and meaningful time of worship each Sunday. These kind words and our abiding faith remind us that God will see us through as we work to bring Jesus's words of love to our church and the world. We know that if anyone wants to find out just what kind of faith community this Mt. Sinai Congregational Church is, the worship services this past year will show them who we are and what we believe. For these services have truly been the "work of the people," the literal definition of the word, "liturgy," after all.

We are grateful to the search team that is working so diligently to discern how our church will best be served by a new minister. That person can rest assured that the Worship Board has developed skills and talents for the essential collaboration between ordained minister and lay leaders when it comes to creating worship services. This will be a critical asset for a part time minister.

We are grateful for choir members and musicians: Steve Little, John Casper, Jamie Dunlop, Eddie Melendez, Dennis Murphy, Marian Brozinsky, Barbara Lyon, Donna Rodman, organist emerita Jane Carter, and pianist Linda Preuss. These are among the most committed folks, showing up every Sunday to practice and enrich the worship experience through music.

We are grateful to church moderator Dennis Laderwager, on whom we could count for a greeting and prayers during virtually every worship service. We also extend our gratitude to Church Council members for their support of our board's efforts, and to individuals such as Mike Kelly and Bill LaRosa who have polished candlesticks and ordered supplies.

We are grateful for Jayne Hardy who has had to adapt to our curious typos, delinquent deadlines, and general waywardness in getting information to her in accurate, ready-to-print, timely format. She has been a critical part of the board's efforts every day.

We are grateful for Mike Dionisio who had steadfastly kept the church building clean and orderly, assisting the board with banners, wreaths, tulips, poinsettias, and various other enterprises that might have thrown a curve ball to someone less ready and willing to be flexible and helpful.

On a personal note, I have no words adequate enough to offer my thanks to the board members listed at the very beginning of this report. They have been my bulwark against the fear of being inadequate to the task of leading the Worship and Sacraments Ministry Board through these times.

They and their team members have made it all happen. Thank you all.

Never was it more true to say that a church is not a building; it is the people. And the people of Mt. Sinai Church have again proved themselves good and faithful servants in 2023. We look forward to 2024 with hopeful hearts and renewed spirits.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Hoff

Lead, Worship and Sacraments Ministry Board

Report of the Church Clerk 2023

Number on roll 12/31/22		289
Additions (new)	9	
Reinstated	3	
Total Additions	+	<u>12</u>
		301
Requested Deletions	30	
Church Vote to delete 11/3/23	39	
Total Deletions	-	<u>69</u>
Number on Roll 12/31/23		232

There were 2 baptisms and 1 wedding in 2023

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Davis Carter

Church Clerk 1966 - 2023

2024 Church Council

Officers

Moderator: Dennis Laderwager (until June 2024)

Clerk: Lynn Burke

Treasurer: Rita LaRosa

Finance:

Carol Wiebelt - Lead

Building & Grounds:

Barbara DeBree - Lead

Congregational Nurture:

Barbara DeTurk - Lead

Missions:

Connie Simas - Lead

Search Committee Team

Donna McInerney – Lead

Diane Corson – Lead

Strategic Planning:

Susan Allocco – Lead

Young Church –

Caroline Lavopa