

2022



Where Believing and Doing Are One.

The Annual Reports of

Second Baptist Church

100 North Main Street
Suffield, Connecticut

Staff:

The Rev. Justin Cox, *Senior Pastor*
Jean Aldrich-Jones, *Organist & Hand bell Choir Director*
Laura Burnaford, *Office Manager*
Sue Begin Schneller, *Christian Education
& Youth Coordinator*
Jennifer Sikes, *Custodian*

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Minutes of Second Baptist Church Annual (ZOOM) Meeting January 30, 2022

These are the minutes of the 217th Annual Meeting of Second Baptist Church in Suffield, CT (for year ending Dec 31, 2021) convened at 11:00AM on January 31, 2022, among at least 20 church members – being the minimum number of members needed to qualify as a quorum.

Presiding Chairperson Becky Tobiasz called the meeting to order.

Tina Berrien recorded over 40 members in attendance, more than meeting the required 20.

Len Kingsbury delivered an opening prayer.

Minutes of Second Baptist Church 2020 Annual Meeting shown on zoom:

Motion: Becki Fuller moved (and Bev Sikes seconded the motion) to accept the minutes without amendment.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved.

Summary of treasurer report appearing in the 2021 Annual Report:

Treasurer's report - Karen Santi (summary of 2021 budget & actual expenditures, 2022 proposed budget, capital campaign status, and investments.)

Motion: Laura Burnaford moved (and Jamie Guilmette seconded the motion) to accept the 2021 & 2022 Budgets appearing in the 2021 Annual Report.

Discussion: It was noted by Cliff Barron and agreed by Karen Santi that next report might using wording in line with interest from a bank, or earnings from an investment, rather than just saying interest in all cases.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved

Review of Nominations for 2022 – as listed in the 2021 Annual Report:

Discussion on impact of moving sub ministries and task forces to be volunteers as opposed to a nominated position. Volunteers not covered by insurance. While by -laws are clear that diaconate provides 2 voting members to attend COM, intention when they were written was that 1 was from diaconate and 1 from music. Now with music sub ministry listed as volunteers, it is not clear in the annual report that one of those representatives need to attend COM and will be a voting member. Diaconate agreed to pursue a proposed resolution.

Agreed that 'Child' should be removed from in front of Christian Ed in the nominating list.

Motion: David Jones moved (and Lois Vormstein-Schneider seconded the motion) to accept the nomination list with the correction of removing 'child' from in front of Christian Ed.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved as amended with removal of the word 'child' in front of Christian Ed.

Discussion on additional sections & Vote to accept the 2021 Annual Report:

Thorough and heartfelt search update by Ernie Begin on the tremendous work done in 2021 to bring a great new pastor to SBC.

Vote to accept the 2021 Annual Report, as amended:

Motion: Jamie Guilmette moved (and Barry Sisk seconded the motion) to accept the 2020 Annual Report, as amended.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved.

Four (4) Resolutions to be read aloud and recorded herein; each requiring a motion to accept, and a vote thereon:

Resolution #1 - read by Linda Isham

Resolved that the treasurer of the church is authorized to sell immediately upon receipt any securities given to the church.

Motion: Linda Isham moved (and Cliff Barron seconded the motion) to accept Resolution #1.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution #2 - read by Laura Burnaford

Resolved that the trustees shall have general supervision of the funds, securities and investments of the church now owned or held or which shall be owned or held by the church, and any two trustees shall have the power to sell, assign or transfer to any person or party, any stocks, bonds or other securities which may become the property of the church upon such terms and for such prices as they deem expedient and may sign and execute all instruments or documents necessary to effectuate any such sale, assignment or conveyance.

Motion: Laura Burnaford moved (and David Jones seconded the motion) to accept Resolution #2.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution #3 - read by Michele Brown-Quinn

Resolved that the Treasurer of the Church, with the approval of one other member of the financial sub-committee, shall be authorized to borrow up to \$20,000 for operating expenses, if necessary.

Motion: Natalie Das moved (and Art Sikes seconded the motion) to accept Resolution #3.

Vote: Motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution #4 - read by David Jones

4. Resolved that Second Baptist Church of Suffield, CT at this regularly called meeting recommends a monthly payment to ABC-USA Transition Ministries of \$6,250 per month, \$75,000 annualized, for services of an Interim Minister. The church will also provide temporary furnished housing for an Interim. Mileage incurred in the line of church related business will be reimbursed directly to an Interim at the IRS approved rate of \$0.14 per mile up to a maximum of \$30 per month, \$360 annualized.

Motion: Ernie Begin moved (and Ruth Beal seconded the motion) to accept Resolution #4.

Discussion: Cliff Barron pointed out that there is no cap given the parsonage furnishings requirement or cost is unknown. David Jones said that a number could not be determined for this meeting but would share a list of what was needed in hopes that all can be donated to keep investment required as low as possible.

David Jones requested someone or couple of people volunteer to lead the effort to furnish the parsonage.

Motion: Linda Isham moved to accept the original resolution as Amended to take donations or buy used furniture for parsonage and put a cap on expenses to furnish not to exceed \$3,000 (and Becky Fuller seconded the motion to accept Resolution #4 as amended).

Vote to accept as amended: Approved but Not unanimously. There was one No Vote.

Other items for discussion

Interim Minister Update by David Jones

New interim minister is Reverend Michael Newhart. His last service as interim for West Hartford will be Feb 6 and his first at SBC will be Feb 20th.

No other topics were requested to be discussed

Len Kingsbury read the names of deceased church members and friends who passed in 2021. It was noted that Christopher Hodges is included in that list in current and final editions of the annual report as reviewed today.

Len Kingsbury delivered a benediction; and, thereafter, Chairperson Becky Tobiasz closed the meeting at 12:06PM

Respectfully submitted,
TEAM: Alison Hardy-Dusto, Tiffany Bianco and Tina Berrien

Meeting Minutes for Second Baptist Church to approve Plan of Merger of Enfield American Baptist Church via ZOOM on January 30, 2022

Over 30 members were recorded by Tina Berrien to be in attendance on 30Jan, which satisfies the requirement of at least 20 church members to make a quorum from Second Baptist Church (SBC) in Suffield, CT to review and vote on the plan of merger for Enfield American Baptist Church (EABC) and SBC.

Meeting was opened at 12:06pm by the Chairperson and Moderator, Becky Tobiasz, who called the meeting to order.

David Jones delivered an opening prayer.

The Certificate of Merger of Religious Corporations was shown, and process summarized by Becky Tobiasz.

Summary: Becky & Melissa will sign this document *after* agreement vote by both congregations. Upon completion of filing, the EABC religious corporation becomes the SBC religious corporation.

The Agreement and Plan for EABC & SBC Merger was shown and summarized by Becky Tobiasz.

Summary: SBC lawyer has provided a contract for the purpose of combining two religious corporations, with one being the surviving entity, in our case, SBC.

In addition, COM meeting ministry input was added to ensure all concerns addressed.

Finance & Building Ministries: ensure current staff & volunteers are not additionally taxed by need to maintain additional property; ensure the deal was constructed without a negative financial impact; Worship, Admin, Mission, Grow & Outreach, Spiritual, Fellowship: ensure this change does not disrupt the service the current day care provides Enfield and upon closure of that service, net proceeds from sale of assets are to be used by Missions to continue to benefit charities that provide benefit to Enfield/Suffield per current missions distribution process.

All other portions of the contract are 'boiler plate' and the latest which contains improvements incorporated over time.

Motion by Christine Aherns and a second by George Bernier to accept the Plan of Merger EABC & SBC Document.

There was discussion on amount in checking to transfer to SBC, estimated at approx. \$4K.

George Bernier comments on status of building having a new roof and updated heating.

Vote was unanimous in support of this agreement.

David Jones delivered benediction.

Chairperson Becky Tobiasz closed the meeting at 12:30pm

Meeting minutes respectively submitted by Becky Tobiasz.

2022 Annual Report of the Rev. Justin A. Cox

My oh my, what a year this has been. I have said it several times over the last few months. Your Search Committee heard me say it over and over again.

Let me process this before I try and answer.

In full confession, I'm still *processing* this past year.

While I know the time has been short, only a few months matter of fact, it feels as if my family and I have been here longer. Of course, this doesn't mean we're more settled, but we are actively pursuing and searching where we fit in and who we'll be in this community. Thank you all for allowing us the space to find and center ourselves. We have enjoyed the experience of getting to know you as you continue to get to know us. You've welcomed us in individual ways to the best of your abilities. All of this is appreciated.

Speaking for myself, coming to Suffield and Second Baptist has been quite the adjustment. Every faith community is different, and the last five months have reminded me of this fact. I have a full staff for one! It has been great getting to know each of them. I am excited we were able to bring Laura Burnaford on as Office Manager. And while we are still a few weeks away, I'm equally enthusiastic for Anthony Ferreira to join us as the new music director.

Already you have allowed me to try several new practices here. We shared communion by intinction. We held a moving All Saints Service back in November. We've eaten together on more than one occasion (and we'll continue to do so). Y'all showing me a spread like no other for your Thanksgiving meal, and I asked you to bring a "dish and a story" to a church-wide potluck "dinner on the grounds" type event. And then there was the installation service. From the music to the speakers and all the people who participated. I was moved by your intentions to make that afternoon special. And yes, getting to bake and cook for you all, being invited into your homes, has been a true treat.

I'm sure what I just wrote are things you're already aware of. But what else has this new pastor you've called been up to? I've been intentional about meeting other local clergies, reaching out here and there to build interfaith and ecumenical ties. A week does not go by where I'm not in contact with another local minister or faith leader in some way. Through these connections, I've attended vigils and rallies. I've gone to town forums and shown up in solidarity with groups who have been attacked and threatened. I truly believe faith causes one to become an activist. The kin-dom of God is not static but one continuously pushing for growth, examination, and involvement. Yes, I enjoy sitting with folks, visiting them while taking some baked goods, but I'm just as eager to stand alongside people too.

So what's next? Where do we go from here? What about us?

The latter is a question I often like to use at the turn or end of a sermon. What are we to do right here and now with what we've been given? Let me be clear: I read your church profile over and over before coming, and I have sat and listened to traditions you hold to and am gauging those that still offer consolation. I am finding out more about who you are in being among you instead of who you think you are. All this to say, I think it would be rather pretentious of me to believe I know what is best for the future of this church, having been here only several months. However, there are some areas where I would encourage your collective attention to focus on without coercing you to think one way or another. And in typical preacher fashion, I will offer them in three points, all leading us to try and figure it out together in the new year and beyond. First, how will Second Baptist recognize and address the "end of Protestant privilege?" Sunday mornings, where worship and socialization almost seemed to happen organically a generation or two ago, are no longer the case. For the church existing in a post-modern time, how will *we* look to address this? We have a choice; to continue to do what has been done or grow and attempt something else together.

The second observation builds from the first; growth. There are two types of growth; spiritual and numerical. One has the potential to build off the other if done well. For this, might we start to think of how our faith community is seen by a newcomer? Why would someone come to Second Baptist? What are we sharing about ourselves that would make them walk through our doors? A fellow minister by the name of Ben Brown suggested in most cases people come for one of three reasons. Proximity, community (particularly, being with those in a similar life stage), and theology. These reasons are a good starting place for performing an inward reflection of who we are, who we say we are, and how we are perceived by those who grace our doors.

Finally, Second Baptist is fortunate to have the resources it has. Resources left and entrusted to carry out the "good news" of our faith. I look to continue to encourage us to be active, creative, and generous in how we use these resources in and outside the walls of our church. Let us look to act out of abundance instead scarcity.

Alright, I'll stop there. Knowing I've said both a lot and a little! I'll leave you with this. It is a privilege to be your pastor at this time. I believe not only was I called to you, but you to me and us together. Let us now go forward and see what the lowly Galilean would have us to do for the coming years.

Your Neighbor,
Justin



Presidents/Moderators of Second Baptist Church

1950-51	A. Ward Spaulding	1985	Gregory A. Haggett
1951-52	Marjorie Graham	1986	Richard L. Carmon
1952-53	Hermiona U. Spaulding	1987	Franklin A. Fuller
1953-54	Ernest A. Warner	1988	Allan G. Seibert
1954-55	William S. Fuller	1989	Arthur Brennan
1955-56	William S. Fuller	1990	Samuel Wolcott
1956-57	Bernhard J. Ahrens	1991	Henry Windsor
1957-58	Bernhard J. Ahrens	1992	Laurie Gokey
1958-59	Clifford A. Babb	1993	Rebecca M. Fuller
1959-60	Ernest A. Warner	1994	Stephen L. Smith
1960-61	Samuel S. Fuller	1995	Barry N. Sisk
1961-62	Frederick C. Dill	1996	B. Sisk/R. Johnson
1962-63	Thomas Orr, Jr.	1997	Robert Johnson
1963-64	David H. Johnson	1998	Gilbert P. Ahrens
1964-65	A. Raymond Taberman	1999	Howard Beal
1965-66	Sumner F. Bissell	2000	Rebecca M. Fuller
1966-67	William H. Connelly	2001	James Wood
1967-68	Everett A. Bartlett	2002	Winston Senter
1968-69	Everett A. Bartlett	2003	Lucile Loiseau/Richard Knapps/Becki Fuller
1969-70	Leavitt B. Ahrens		
1970-71	Erskine A. Harvey	2004	Russell S. Campbell, Jr.
1971-72	Sydney F. Fuller	2005	Arthur M. Sikes Jr.
1972-73	Rayford R. Parker	2006	Claudia Hepner
1973-74	Rockwood N. Berry	2007	Ernest J. Begin
1974-75	Harold A. Stewart	2008	Joseph P. Harry
1975-76	Roger L. Dalgleish	2009	Lena Calvo Blake
1976-77	Nathana H. Fuller	2010	Barry N. Sisk
1977-78	Cecil P. Chase	2011	Barry N. Sisk
1978-79	Dorothy G. Kent	2012	Richard Hubbard
1979-80	Joseph P. Harry	2013	Richard Hubbard/Karen Santi
1980-81	Raymond L. Crosier	2014	Karen Santi
1981-82	David H. Johnson	2015	Lucille Miller
1982-83	Charles H. Linke	2016-18	Scott Schneider
1983-84	Rockwood N. Berry	2018-22	Becky Tobiasz

Life Diaconate

Cynthia Hill

Signe Wright

David Jones

Moderator's Report

While it has been an emotional roller coaster for our church family this year, we have landed in a great new spot. We've had a tremendous number of staff changes. We started the year without a pastor, having just learned that our acting pastor found the job of her life. Our church family did what they always do, they came together in a time of need. The diaconate filled the pulpit, a team was assembled to find an interim, and the search committee continued to tirelessly look for a full-time minister that would meet the calling the congregation had set forth. We supported each other, focusing on FAITH, trust in God, and that following the process would bring us to a good place.

In February we were JOYFUL when Rev. Michael Newheart joined us. Unfortunately, while completely unintentional on all parties' part, we learned that the expectation of our interim was he was joining for a 2-year term, but the intention of SBC was to have an interim until we could secure a permanent pastor. So, we then had to work through HURT, ANGER, and FORGIVENESS to align with our interim pastor. I believe that the importance of 'communication' was a lesson God wanted us to all grow from. We are now going a step further to review and ensure our guiding documents are consistent and provide guidelines that will help us navigate in our various roles.

We then got the great news from the search committee they had unanimously voted on a new pastor, Rev. Justin Cox. The congregation had a chance to meet him and voted to accept him. That was joyous time, but we needed to wait until August for him to join us. In the meantime, we had both our church music director and then later our office manager give their notice. So once again, we were filled with SADNESS at losing them. Again, we needed FAITH to know there was a plan and it would all be ok.

Justin and his family joined us in late summer, and we are so blessed. The sanctuary is buzzing with an energy I haven't seen in years. Then a devoted member from our congregation, Laura Burnaford, became our office manager. The blessings have continued and now we have an enthusiastic music director that will start in 2023. Wow, what a year!

The Bible is filled with stories on challenges and how followers had to fight for what is right, to bring good into our unjust world. Do you hear GOD calling you in a certain direction? Let's continue to make this world a better place together. My heart is filled with PEACE, LOVE and JOY as I look back over the amazing support by all as we successfully navigated our emotionally bumpy 2022. Now it is time to listen for God's calling in 2023. Join me and others in our extended family to face challenges ahead in FAITH.

Sending Peace, Love and Joy,

Your Moderator,
Becky Tobiasz

Vice Moderator's Report

I am extremely humbled to have had the opportunity to serve as Vice Moderator at Second Baptist church in 2022. In August we welcomed Pastor Justin and his family to join our SBC family. I look forward to all we will accomplish and the ways we will grow together in 2023!

A little more than halfway through the year, I had to step back from my responsibilities as Vice Moderator to address some unexpected medical issues. Moderator Becky Tobiasz gracefully stepped in to support any and all tasks that may have been on my plate. I can't begin to thank her for all she has done and continues to do. It has been a true blessing to have her as a leader and friend!

As I reflect on our 2022 journey together at Second Baptist Church, I am inspired by our collective Hope for the future of our faith community and am proud of our unwavering resilience. Thank you all for your love and support throughout the year. It has meant so much to both myself and my family. I look forward to serving you and growing with you in 2023!

Kind regards,
Tiffany Bianco-Christian



Council of Ministries

The structure below is how we operate. The leader or designee from each ministry attends a monthly Council Of Ministries meeting, led by the Moderator. This ensures all are informed and can get valuable input from the other ministries. This is critical as most functions require collaboration from multiple ministries. This also empowers each church family member, as they can either attend the COM or request the Moderator or any other COM attendee to bring up their topic for discussion and consideration.

We adopted this Council of Ministries Structure in June 2018 and establish a Task Group to re-write the By-Laws and Constitution to reflect this new structure which was completed by a By-Laws task group in June 2018.



STRUCTURE OUTLINE

Growth and Outreach Ministries

- Welcome
- Follow-up
- Online
- Publications
- Grow Ideas & implementation

Worship Ministries

- Diaconate
- Ushers
- Communion Servers
- Suffield on the Green
- Baptism
- Music Ministries

Fellowship and Caring Ministries

- Calling and caring for Sick or homebound
- Food Ministries
- Fellowship Time
- Flower and Church holiday Decorating

Spiritual Formation Ministries

- Christian Education (Birth through High School)
- Adult Education flex teams

Mission Service and Justice Ministries:

- Mission Committee
- Suffield Community Aid
- Soup Kitchen
- Green Team/ Environmental Stewardship
- Interfaith Council
- Women's Group

Financial and Building Ministries

- House
- Building Use Ministry
- Trustees
- Finance Team: Treasurer, Asst Treasurer – bookkeeper. Payroll

Administrative Ministries

- Moderator
- Vice Moderator
- Clerk
- Collector
- Auditor
- Church Staff Relations
- Search
- Nominations

The Church Clerk's Report

Joined by Christian Experience

Angie Malec

Requested Removal from Membership: -2-

David Bub
Laura Bub

116 Resident men	46 Non-resident men
<u>166 Resident women</u>	<u>67 Non-resident women</u>
282 Resident members	113 Non-resident members

161 Active resident members
121 Inactive resident members

395 Total Members

Baby Dedications

Charlotte Gloria Malec

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyne Battle



2022 Audit Report

Below is the reconciliation of the Second Baptist Church accounts at People's Bank in Suffield as of 12/31/2022 as compared to the 2022 Second Baptist Church annual report.

Below is a summary of the findings:

Account Name	Type	People's Bk 12/31 Bal	SBC Annual Report 12/31	Difference	Interest
SBC Main	Checking	\$43,417.72	\$43,417.72	-	Yes
SBC Savings Account Inv	Savings	\$62,091.20	\$62,091.20	-	Yes
Diaconate Fellowship Fund	Checking	\$26,827.61	\$8,725.61	\$18,102	Yes
Missions	Checking	\$12,660.21	\$12,212.96	\$447.25	Yes
Christian Ed (Church School)	Checking	\$657.61	\$452.07	\$205.54	No
ABW Amer Baptist Women	Checking	\$1872.41	\$1872.41	-	No
Memorial Fund	Savings	\$13,379.01	\$13,379.01	-	Yes
Memorial Fund	Checking	\$6,888.64	\$6,888.64	-	No
Dominican Mission Trip	Checking	\$4,432.49	\$4,432.50	0.01	No
Parsonage Oil	Checking	\$1,813.16	\$1813.16	-	No

Bank Account Totals: \$ 174,040.06

Explanation on any differences:

Diaconate Fellowship Fund - Two outstanding checks: Check 1073 for the Thanksgiving dinner (\$102.80) and 1074 for Family Assistance (\$18,000) were posted to account in 2023 & not reflected in 12/31 account balance.

Missions: Two outstanding checks: To a missionary (\$250) & Soup Kitchen (\$197.25).

Christian Education: One Outstanding check: Check 1792 (\$205.54) for the ladies group, advent workshop, Sunday school & Christian Education is not reflected in 12/31 account balance.

Dominican Mission Trip: SBC Annual report Dominican Republic account end of year balance of \$4,432.50 is obtained by taking deposits & starting balance of \$10,490.25 and subtracting disbursements of \$6,057.75. Bank balance & Annual report difference of 0.01 is considered a rounding error due to the small amount.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Schneider

Annual Report of the Diaconate.

During 2022 the Diaconate was very active in tackling its usual - and occasionally unusual - responsibilities.

We worked closely with both the interim pastor (Michael Newheart) and the settled pastor (Justin Cox, who joined us in mid-August).

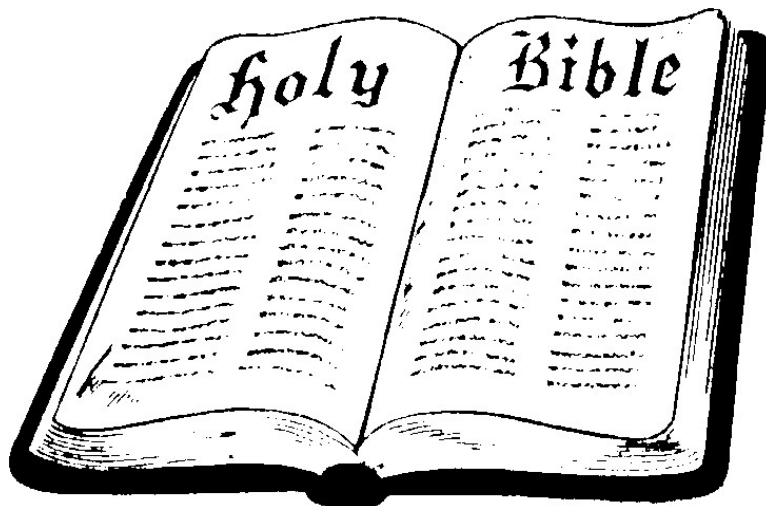
We helped decide whether or not to hold “in-person” Worship Services (depending upon the magnitude of COVID contagion). And then, as the pandemic relented, we organized and arranged the resumption of normal church activities, such as:

 Sunday morning Worship Services (Communion, Invocation, Scripture Readers, etc.), and
 Various events (Pastor Justin’s Installation, Thanksgiving dinner, Advent planning, welcoming new members, weddings and memorial services, etc.)

In 2023, it is hoped the Diaconate will begin undertaking a number of Small Group initiatives. Firstly, we’ll need to focus on reviving previous Small Groups that currently require restoration (such as, Book Group sessions, Group Spiritual Direction meetings, and Lectio Divina practicing). Thereafter, we’ll work on forming a few other Small Groups to be launched subsequently for the first time.

Either way, the primary intent of these Small Groups is twofold: to provide various forums for stimulating Spiritual Development; and to create important units of positive transformation for our church.

Chair of the Diaconate,
David Battle



Diaconate Fellowship Fund

Peoples Bank - Checking Account

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2022 **15,477.11**

Receipts

Trust Funds Revenue	16,185.00
Monthly Interest	11.06
Gift for family assistance	100.00
Thanksgiving Dinner	890.00

Total Receipts **17,186.06**

Disbursements

Family Assistance	21,600.00
Housing assistance	
Medical expenses	
Confidential Assistance	

Diaconate Use

To enhance the spiritual life at Second Baptist Church

Fellowship time	45.00
Lenten Supplies	337.25
Gift cards for Pastor	200.00
Food for Justin's Moving day	96.65
Justin's Installation	622.41
Church Thanksgiving Dinner and shut-ins	1,036.25

Discretionary Diaconate Use - Total **2,337.56**

Total Disbursements **23,937.56**

Ending Balance - December 31, 2022 **8,725.61**

Respectfully submitted,
Bev Sikes, Treasurer

Music Ministry

Thanks to the dedication and leadership of Evelyne Battle and Jean Aldrich-Jones, we were able to maintain musical components during our Sunday services throughout 2022 in spite of Covid outbreaks. Between January and May, Evelyne Battle, David Battle, Lorri Cetto, and Molly Drenzek provided vocal music for our services, and the Handbell Choir and the Folk Group also performed. On Palm Sunday, the Sanctuary Choir, accompanied by instrumental guest musicians and narrators, performed “The Crown and the Cross”, a Palm Sunday Suite. On Maundy Thursday, violinist Carol Hutter joined us, and the sound of Tim Donahue’s trumpet elevated our Easter service. In late April, the Hot Cat Jazz Band returned for their annual Spring pairing with our Sanctuary Choir. Unfortunately, an outbreak of Covid in May, which affected our music community, led to the cancellation of some musical performances, including a concert by the Cetto Chamber Singers.

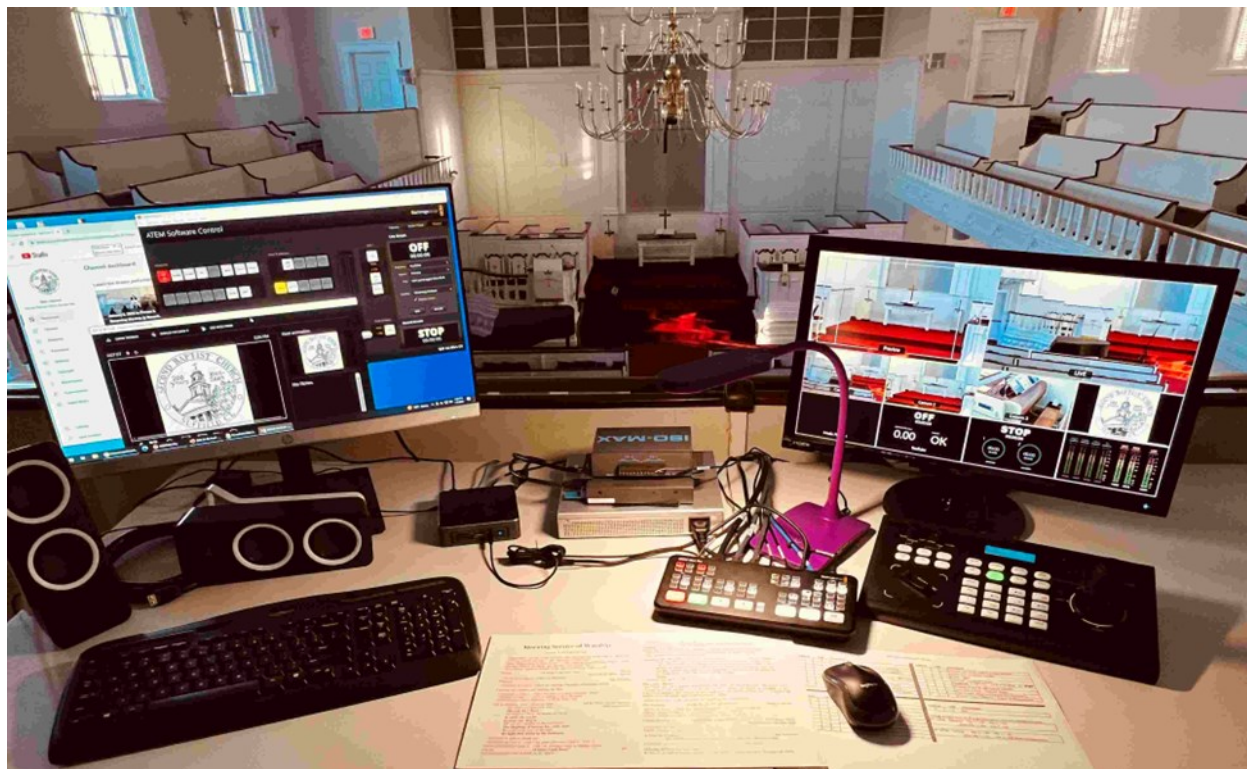
It was with great sadness that, early in the year, we received Evelyne Battle’s notice of her intention to retire effective July 31. Over the past 19 years, Evelyne has devoted an enormous amount of her time, talent, and energy to growing and enhancing our music ministry at Second Baptist Church. On the last Sunday in July, the Music Committee offered a tribute to Evelyne in recognition of all her efforts and her dedication to bringing beautiful music into our sanctuary every week. In mid-September, as we ushered in a new year, the entire congregation expressed their appreciation to Evelyne with the presentation of a gift certificate to attend a Broadway show in New York City. We will greatly miss Evelyne’s leadership, as well as her positive attitude and good humor. She has occasionally continued to sing with and without the choir through the Fall, and she selected and directed the anthem for Justin’s installation service. We are hopeful she will continue to be involved in our music program in whatever ways she may feel called to do so.

Following Evelyne’s departure, Jean Aldrich-Jones single-handedly assumed the interim role of Music Director. On top of her job as Handbell Choir director, she took over the leadership of the Sanctuary Choir, selecting the music for weekly services, and coordinated guest musical performances, including working out musical arrangements, among many other tasks. Without Jean’s dedication, we would not have been able to continue to receive the kind of musical performances we have come to enjoy each week while the Music Committee searched for a new director. In addition to the Sanctuary and Handbell Choirs, we were fortunate to have the Hot Cat Jazz Band in September and the Nutmeg Brass Quintet during Advent. Our beautiful Christmas Eve service was complemented by the addition of two trumpeters.

I am pleased to report that the 2022 year ends on a positive note with the announcement that we have hired a new Music Director. Anthony Ferreira, who currently serves as the Director of Vocal Music at Suffield High School, will be joining us in mid-January 2023. Anthony received his Bachelor of Music from UMASS Amherst and a Master of Music degree in choral conducting from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. In addition to his experience as a choral director in academic settings, as well as a leader of community vocal and instrumental groups, he has served as the Director of Music at the First Presbyterian Church of Bedford, IN. We look forward to welcoming Anthony into our church community!

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Vormstein-Schneider

2022 Second Baptist Streaming and Audio-Video Operations



Above is a picture of our streaming equipment set-up. On the left is the PC running PowerPoint, YouTube Studio, & other software that sends our stream to the Internet. On the right side of the picture, in front of the screen are two units. The smaller unit is the switcher which controls what goes out in the stream and the larger unit controls the position of the three cameras as well as which of the nine pre-sets goes into the switcher. The top portion of the screen itself displays the “Live” picture being streamed (right hand side) and the “Preview” picture (left hand side). The middle section shows the view from each of the three cameras, plus the PC. The bottom section displays the statuses of the stream, the recording, and the sound.

This is the view from the balcony where our audio-video equipment resides and where we control the data that goes out to YouTube each Sunday (and for special services). With financial assistance from both the Diaconate and private donations, the equipment pictured above was purchased and installed, along with three cameras and several high-quality microphones. Each camera has up to nine pre-set positions, so we can change from one view to another quickly.

Preparation for each week's service begins on Tuesday or Wednesday with editing the opening and closing video clips, periodically adding new music to the video. Then, as the bulletin is filled in, PowerPoint slides are created for the words to each hymn, responsive reading, scripture & music references, and participant information. When all this is completed, a script is created showing each camera change as well as any change in the view being streamed. This includes a separate sheet listing each camera and the view for each preset. Everything is then transferred to a flash drive to be copied to the computer in the balcony. It usually required 6-8 hours to prepare material for each week's service.

On Sunday morning the actual worship service stream begins (precisely at 10 AM) with a short video providing information about contacting SBC in addition to the date and any special activity taking place during the service. A signal from the balcony lets whomever is beginning the service know (s)he can begin talking, playing, or singing. Following the Postlude, another video shows the license information for the music that was streamed. Evelynne took care of obtaining the licenses and each week submitted a report providing the specific license information to the appropriate organizations. For almost every service, we must also respond to copyright "challenges" from YouTube about the service music. Every challenge has to be answered with the specific license or public domain information within YouTube itself. There is a lot of coordination that takes place in order for our services to be streamed.

During this past year, Jacob Quinn learned the system and on most Sundays was there to assist with, and occasionally run, the streaming operation. Lisa Walters also ran the operation for several weeks while I was recovering from my accident in June. Jacob has graduated and moved on to college, so his availability is quite limited now, but he was a tremendously valuable assistant. Lisa's work was also really appreciated.

We are always looking for recruits to learn the system, so if you are interested please talk to me.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Jones



Search Committee

The pastoral search that began in January of 2021 concluded in August of 2022 when we welcomed our new pastor Rev. Justin Cox.

I want to acknowledge this committee, each of which was absolutely essential to where we are today. Members included Ernie Begin-Chair, Tiffany Bianco-Christian-Vice Moderator, Jamie Guilmette, Tina Berrien, Lucille Miller, Michele Brown-Quinn, Lauren O'Hara, Walter Malec and Madelyn Eckley. Each bringing a unique and valuable perspective of their faith, of their love for this place and the people of this church. We met almost weekly for 14 months in one form or another and for a couple of months it was 2 nights or more. In that time each member of this committee was engaged, they were passionate and yet we never had conflict. We debated hard topics where few of us agreed but we did it with respect and love. In the end we all agreed that Rev Cox was the right person to be the next pastor of Second Baptist Church.

We knew when we formed that this would be a transformational search committee, that the church would need to grow and find purpose in order to survive. After much discussion we concluded that the key to that growth lies in a simple question "would you invite someone to join us?" So years from now that is the stick against which we will ask you to measure the success of this search committee.

Ernie Begin
Chair of Pastoral Search Committee

*For God
will open doors*

ISAIAH 22:22

2022 Growth and Outreach

The purpose of the Growth and Outreach ministry is to reach beyond the congregation to let the greater community and world know the mission and ministry of Second Baptist Church and encourage people to join with us in God's good work. We have continued this mission through a variety of platforms. Pastor Justin Cox sent weekly emails that directly reached over 200 email addresses and the monthly Crier was published electronically, as well as in paper format for those who do not have access to the internet. In the past few months we have been trialing a weekly Crier format as a more frequent reminder of church events. Growth and Outreach organized numerous events to welcome new people.

To start the year off, we hosted the first "Souper Bowl" Sunday in February. A variety of homemade soups were offered for a donation to the Suffield Community Fuel Bank. The money raised was matched by the Missions Ministry.

At the start of Lent, Growth and Outreach combined efforts with Disconate and the interim pastor to provide morning and evening opportunities to receive Ashes. We spent the Lent season preparing to open our doors for a free community-wide egg hunt. We welcomed hundreds of families into our church for games, facepaint, and a bake sale. Contributions from the bake sale were donated to efforts in Ukraine.

We prepped touse moussies, silk flower bouquets with candy in paper cones, for May Day. Bouquets were given out after Sunday service and members were encouraged to give their touse moussie to a neighbor. Later in the month, we gave out paper poppies in remembrance of service men and women who gave their lives. Members of the community made monetary donations, which were matched by the Missions Ministry, and given to the American Legion.

Growth and Outreach spearheaded the booth for Suffield on the Green. Our booth was adorned with flamingos and giveaways for children. Community members of all ages were welcomed to play corn hole and learn more about our church mission. We encouraged members of the greater Suffield community to be unique, live a balanced life, and group together like flamingos.

Growth and Outreach organized the second annual Ministries Fair. In October, each ministry and task force was asked to provide information about their volunteer opportunities. Many groups had members want to join their team for 2023. The November Christmas Craft fair was full of spirit. We invited vendors from the greater Suffield area to sell jewelry, birdhouses, jam, paintings, and much more. Once again, our fellowship hall was filled with the spirit of Christmas. Members of the congregation baked pies, breads, cookies, and other sweet treats for the bake sale. After many people mentioned the absence of the White Elephant last year, it was brought back this year and held in the Common Room.

We finished out the year by lighting up the town from 100 North Main for Suffield Alight, a community-wide holiday nighttime celebration. Growth and Outreach created a hub for passers-by filled with music, light, and hot cocoa. As a group, we painted Mary, Joseph, and an angel to add to our collection of nativity cut-outs. People of all ages were found poking their faces through for photo opportunities.

In 2022, Growth and Outreach took each opportunity to show the community that our doors are open and all are welcome.

Respectfully Submitted,
Molly Drenzek

Spiritual Formation / Christian Education

Spiritual Formation has changed since Covid. We now look at ourselves as a group responsible for the education of a much larger group. Spiritual Formation begins at birth and grows throughout our lives.

We are very excited about the new scope of spiritual Formation here at Second Baptist Church and look forward to working with Growth and Outreach in reaching new people and sustaining and lifting up the people and families that we have now.

We have the honor of working with people who were raised in the faith, but also people who are completely new to the faith. We still put a big priority on Bible stories, but also in life lessons that we'll be able to carry on our journey.

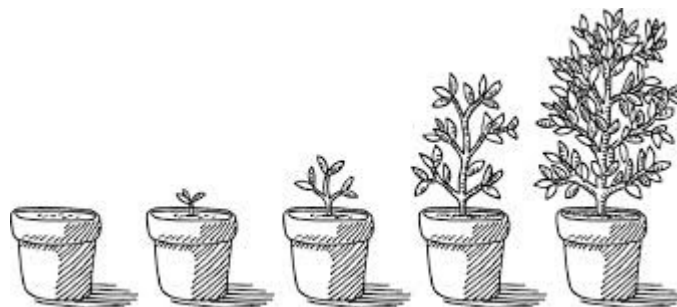
On Sunday mornings we try to break up our classroom time with crafts, music, and stories. Our youth are involved not only in community outreach but also enjoy lending a hand wherever needed. We are so thrilled to have children and families that we can work with.

We are always excited to share with the Lunch Bunch, a spirited group of older women who have much to offer as they share about their faith journeys.

While you're on your faith journey, if you would like to talk to us about what is available here at Second Baptist Church, we would be happy to help however we can. If you have found an online resource that really helps you in your journey, we would love for you to share that with us too. Wherever you are on your faith journey, please know that we are holding you in our prayers, and hope that 2023 is an awesome year for you.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Schneller

(2 Cor 4:16) Spiritual Formation helps us reclaim our relationship with God as it was meant to be. It's not trying – it's training in eternal living, determined discipleship to Jesus Christ, and the way we discover the renewable source of spiritual energy we've been looking for.



Spiritual Formation /Christian Education 2022 Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance:	\$ 374.94	December 31, 2021
Deposits:	<u>3,270.00</u>	
	3,644.94	
Disbursements:	<u>(3,192.87)</u>	
Ending balance:	\$ 452.07	December 31, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Rinaldi, Treasurer

where
your
Treasure
is
there your
Heart
will be also

Missions Services and Justice Ministries 2022 Annual Report

The Second Baptist Church of Suffield is a community of faith whose members strive to identify and help those in need. The members of the Missions ministry are grateful that through the generosity of our congregants, we have been able to support many local and international organizations throughout the year.

In keeping with the Missions theme, *the ABC's of Giving*, we were able to identify and support a number of familiar, as well as several new organizations this year.

The 's of Giving

<i>A</i> <i>Affiliations & Sponsorships</i>	<i>B</i> <i>Beyond Our Borders</i>	<i>C</i> <i>Local Community Needs</i>
Beyond the Shadows <i>Local non-profit TV show that provides information & resources for community members dealing with mental health issues</i> <i>-membership and technical support</i>	Ukrainian War Relief Effort <i>-Provided funds for general relief needs</i> <i>-Purchased flights for a family of 4 to relocate to our community from Ukraine</i>	Springfield Rescue Mission and Homeless Center Enfield Warming Center <i>-Operation Hope Totes (toiletry items and warm clothing)</i> <i>-Yoga Mats for bedding & dry seating</i>
Camp Wightman <i>Sponsorship of campers and operational expenses</i>	Light of Hope Mission Dominican Republic <i>-Supported building of bathroom facilities for the elderly</i> <i>-Provided monies to rebuild the church damaged in Hurricane Ian</i>	Suffield Community Aid Crossroads Pantry <i>Food Assistance</i> <i>Fuel Assistance</i>
American Legion <i>Matching funds to support our local war veterans</i>	ABC- USA Designated Offerings <i>-America for Christ</i> <i>-World Missionary Offering</i> <i>-Retired Ministers & Missionaries Offering</i>	Julia's Safe House <i>Domestic Abuse Shelter</i>
	One Great Hour of Sharing <i>Supported tornado relief efforts in Central US</i> <i>General Support</i>	Springfield Soup Kitchen

In our effort to connect, and educate, members of the SBC congregation around our support of international missionaries, the Missions Committee was able to organize a '**Missionaries Conversation and Buffet Supper**' in October. After enjoying a buffet supper in Fellowship Hall, missionaries Ricardo Mayol-Bracero and Dwight Bolick, both working in MesoAmerica, shared their individual and joint initiatives with a group of 30 members of the SBC, followed by a period of audience engagement.

Like many other organizations that serve the needs of people, we were grateful that the pandemic restrictions have lessened over the past year, which allowed us to meet with several of our benefactors and enjoy the company of our fellow congregants.

We are looking forward to 2023 and welcoming several new members to our small, but committed, giving committee. We hope to organize a retreat in February to discuss our vision for giving, additional ways to engage with the international ministries, continue our efforts to identify new pockets of need, and share our endeavors with the Second Baptist Church community.

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan Ruddock; Missions Committee Chair

TREASURER OF BENEVOLENCES (Missions)

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand - January 1, 2022 \$ 16,629.59

RECEIPTS

Missions Support from SBC Treasurer	\$ 8,538.71	
Trust Funds - Missions	\$ 27,745.00	
Trust Funds - Third Baptist Church	\$ 5,527.00	
Communion Offerings and Special Collections	\$ 972.00	
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering	\$ 1,150.00	
America for Christ Offering	\$ 147.00	
World Mission Offering	\$ 609.00	
Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering	\$ 627.00	
Light of Hope Dominican Republic Mission	\$ 455.00	
Souper Bowl Fundraiser - Growth & Outreach	\$ 632.00	
American Legion Fundraiser - Growth & Outreach	\$ 115.00	
Interest Earned	\$ 8.42	\$ 46,526.13
		\$ 63,155.72

DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH American Baptist Churches USA

Unified Budget	\$ 12,000.00	
America for Christ Offering	\$ 1,000.00	
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 3,750.00	
World Mission Offering	\$ 1,500.00	
International Ministries - Ricardo Mayol	\$ 1,000.00	
International Ministries - Dwight Bolick	\$ 1,000.00	
RMMO	\$ 1,500.00	
		\$ 21,750.00

DISBURSEMENTS AS DIRECT PAYMENTS

Third Baptist Church of Suffield	\$ 5,600.00	
Reimburse Soup Kitchen Supplies	\$ 1,696.67	
Network Against Domestic Abuse - Julie's Safe House	\$ 1,200.00	
People's Bank: Bank Fee New Checks	\$ 27.50	
Camp Wrightman	\$ 2,250.00	
Light of Hope Dominican Republic Mission Projects	\$ 4,800.00	
Ukraine Relief - Becky Tobiasz	\$ 1,000.00	
Transportation for Refugees from Ukraine	\$ 2,434.85	
Yoga Mats - disbursement to various shelters	\$ 1,482.00	
Reimbursement - Gift Cards (food/gas/personal/household)	\$ 300.00	
Barbara Lawrence - TV Project/Website Funding	\$ 226.34	
Suffield Community Aid	\$ 5,132.00	
Ricardo Mayol - Donation for Visit	\$ 250.00	
Dwight Bolick - Donation for Visit	\$ 250.00	
Reimbursement for Missionaries Visit in October	\$ 264.40	
CrossRoads Pantry	\$ 1,000.00	
Friends of Kent Memorial Library	\$ 49.00	
Enfield Loaves & Fishes	\$ 1,000.00	
American Legion - Tanguay-Magill Post 80	\$ 230.00	
		\$ 29,192.76
Total Disbursements		
		\$ 50,942.76
Balance on Hand, December 31, 2022		\$ 12,212.96

Respectfully Submitted,
Laura L. Burnaford
Treasurer of Benevolences

Calling and Caring Ministry

The members of this ministry were busy this year reaching out to members and friends of Second Baptist. Calls were made to keep in touch and to offer comfort to those in need. We also sent cards to many people and prayers were said for those that were ill, grieving, or needing a friendly thought. This year with not a full time Pastor and an interim Pastor our small group worked hard to serve by caring for our church family.

A big thank you to members of this ministry who meet each month, make calls and send cards. You do make a difference.

Respectfully submitted by,
Bev Sikes, Chair

Fellowship Time

I felt such a loss of connection with others during Covid. It was so isolating. Now we are back at church and enjoying fellowship time again.

What a perfect combo, getting our soul nourished in church and then coming down to get our body nourished, along with some heart-warming conversations. I am grateful for the ‘kinship’. Fellowship time allows me the opportunity to share warm smiles, a hello and opportunity to learn all sorts of interesting things on topics that range far and wide.

Becky Tobiasz
Food Ministry Chair

Flower Ministry

Members of the Flower Ministry decorated the church for Easter with daffodils, tulips, hyacinths, and lilies given in memory or honor of loved ones. For Christmas we did the same with poinsettias. After the services those that gave plants could take them home or the committee took the plants to the homebound or sick to brighten their day after making our church look beautiful.

This year we were pleased to have Chris and Jenn Sikes who were kind enough to help decorate by putting candles in the windows, putting up wreaths, the Advent candle, and a fresh Christmas Tree with lights. The children met and decorated the tree with our handmade Chrismons. The committee set up our creche and put wreaths with red bows on the outside doors to the building.

Thank you to those that gave flowers during the year. They were enjoyed during the service and enjoyed by our homebound and sick.

Respectfully submitted by,
Bev Sikes, Chair

Food Ministry

It has been wonderful to have the Covid restrictions behind us so we can enjoy all our food events again. The food ministry is now flourishing again, and we are very grateful. We did all our usual favorites, Lenten Breakfasts, Thanksgiving, weekly Fellowship Time, potlucks, celebrations of life, and of course Amazing Bake Sales at our various events.

We also appreciate all the personal kitchen creating that happens to support the meal trains to those in need. We hear back how very grateful people are when we deliver meals. I look forward to supporting Cliff Barron and others on the Second Baptist Food Ministry in 2023.

Becky Tobiasz
Food Ministry Chair

Building Use Ministry

The Building Use Ministry (BUM) task force, consisting of David & Evelyne Battle, Tina Berrien, Laurie Gokey, and Jenn Sikes continued its work this year, and has enjoyed seeing the return of building use to pre-pandemic levels.

We have returned to a full calendar of weekly activities including the Boy Scouts, Ping-Pong club, the two weekly AA group meetings, two yoga classes, monthly Embroidery Guild and Garden Club meetings, Cetto Chamber Singers rehearsals, American Red Cross Blood Drives, and occasional one-on-one Spiritual Direction. In February of 2022 we began hosting the Friends of Kent Memorial Library in the Prior Wing for the sorting and storage of donated books for their annual book sale. Our church groups are generally meeting in-person in the building and there has been increased use of the Common Room and Fellowship Hall for church functions.

Our custodian, Jenn Sikes, continues to do an amazing job keeping the building clean and safe for us all.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyne Battle
Chair, Building Use Ministry



Light of Hope Mission -2022

Light of Hope continues to develop wonderful relationships with our friends in the Dominican Republic. Sue was able to go there in August 2022, just to touch base with the people and to set up work that will be done in 2023. We found everyone to be in good health and very happy to see us. Pastor Joel and Elizabeth's church is growing and the children in the mountain village are doing well. We were excited to see Elvie (surgery, club foot) again. To watch him run across the field was such a joy.

We were able to purchase medicine, school supplies, household goods, and food for those in need. We met a wonderful woman (Linda) who will be a great candidate for work on an upcoming trip.

Light of Hope is looking for kids who are high school or college-age to travel with us in August 2023. These mission trips have been life-changing for many who have gone in the past.

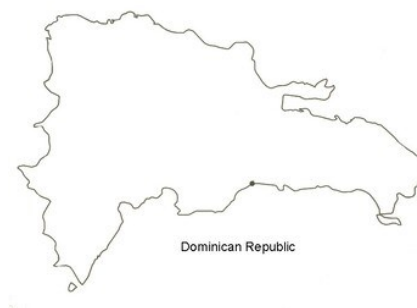
Working in the Dominican is a spiritually uplifting opportunity, not only for those who go to do God's work, but for those who are the recipients of the work that we do.

In September after the devastating Hurricane that hit the Dominican. Joel and Elizabeth's church needed major repairs, thankfully with the help of our Missions Committee we were able to send \$2000.00 to help with those repairs. I will be sure to take photos of their church and the work they're doing there.

We are very thankful to Second Baptist Church and our congregation for the donations they provide. The donations and the money that we raise are what makes it possible for us to accomplish so much. With God's help, we hope to continue this outreach for a very long time.

If you have not received our daily blogs when we are in the Dominican, and would like to do so, please let us know so that your name and contact information can be added to the list. This way you can pray with us and share the details of our trip with others.

If you think God is calling you to do mission work, please join us on one of our trips. For more info, please call Sue Schneller at 860-402-7813. God Bless!



Light of Hope -Dominican Republic Account

Deposits & Starting Balance

Beginning Balance	\$ 5,310.25
Support from Missions Committee - August 2022 Trip	\$ 2,000.00
Funds returned from August 2022 Trip	\$ 380.00
Support from Missions Committee - January 2023 Trip	\$ 2,800.00
	\$ 10,490.25

Disbursements

Cash for August 2022 Trip	\$ 2,000.00
Reimbursement for Travel Costs - August 2022 Trip	\$ 2,057.75
Hurricane Relief for Local Church (WesternUnion)	\$ 2,000.00
	\$ 6,057.75

Deposits & Starting Balance	\$ 10,490.25
Disbursements	\$ 6,057.75
Ending Balance	\$ 4,432.50

*Faith
without works
is dead
James 2:26*

American Baptist Women

The Second Baptist Church American Baptist Women (ABW) is a group of loyal church members with an informal format. Our only activity is the annual church fair in which we partnered with the Dominican Republic outreach program which is coordinated by Sue Schneller. Other churches and groups in Suffield also conduct annual fairs in November to raise funds for charitable purposes. We raised over \$1600.00 this year and will share the proceeds. We will allot \$800.00 to the Dominican Republic for assistance in that program. The ABW usually donates to the Suffield Community Aide, Network Against Domestic Abuse, Camp Wightman, etc. This was a modified fair this year so our gifts will be smaller than usual. Membership is open to all the women of Second Baptist without any age restrictions. Soon we will decide where our donations will be directed and will share those plans. Our current bank balance is \$1872.41

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Samplatsky, Treasurer

Fellowship for People with Special Needs/Disabilities

The monthly Monday evening Fellowship Meetings with friends from group homes and from our community continued to be on hold during 2022 due to COVID-19 and other transmittable viruses. We hope to resume this valuable ministry in 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Aldrich-Jones

Greater Suffield Interfaith Council

Since arriving in August of this year, I have heard and experienced the work of Suffield's Interfaith Council in several ways. Rev. Dian Bailey, who serves as the chair, was the first to introduce me to the sort of events and programs the council involves itself in. In my short time, I have participated in two interfaith events.

First, the council was called to support and stand in solidarity with First Church of Christ Suffield Congregational Church when anti-semitic graffiti appeared outside their building. A vigil was held with several faith communities' leaders in attendance. I was invited and spoke at the event.

Second, I was invited to be one of several speakers at the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service held at First Church of Christ. Representatives from local Jewish, Baha'i, and Muslim communities were present. The service was well attended and a privilege to be part of.

Moving into the new year, the council will look to be present at the Interfaith Martin Luther King Celebration service taking place at Third Baptist Church, Suffield.

Respectfully Submitted,
Justin Cox

Suffield Community Aid

Suffield Community Aid is a great organization that helps many local families by offering a wide variety of programs to help with many needs that are not being filled elsewhere in our community. With the annual Holiday Basket Program, Second Baptist Church is given the chance to provide our neighbors with food and gift for the Holiday Season. In 2022 Second Baptist was asked to help support three families for our Thanksgiving Basket Program. For the Christmas Basket Program the Church had the same three local families that needed food but only one requested gifts. For Christmas this year we also had four Senior Citizens request gifts for themselves. Members of our Church were able to contribute food and gifts and donate their time to help sort, package, and drop off baskets, this allowed everything to go smoothly for the 2022 Holiday Basket Program through Suffield Community Aid.

Respectfully submitted,
Corey Haynes

Soup Kitchen

1 John 3:18

“My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.”

When- On the second Saturday of the month (September-June), our church delivers and serves a meal for anyone in need at the Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen, which is located at the South Congregational Church in Springfield, MA. Helpers meet at Second Baptist in Suffield at approximately 11am and leave by 11:15am and return to Suffield by 1pm.

Who Can Participate-Everyone is welcome. This is a great family activity or maybe you know of another group that may want to share this experience (scouts, clubs, friends, families in your neighborhood). This changes lives – both yours and theirs.

Pizza, Cookies and Bananas- 9 Party pizzas are picked up from Big Y. Banana's (19 bunches) and pre-packaged cookies are bought from Costco. Please consider participating. It can be a life changing experience.

The Missions Committee funds the meal. Reimbursements with receipts can be obtained through the benevolence treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michele Brown-Quinn

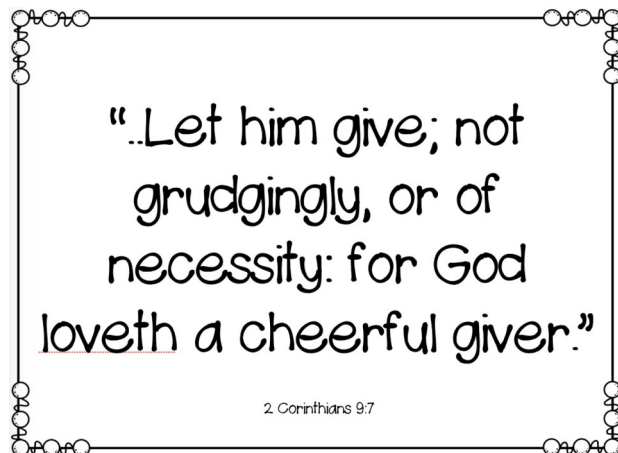
2022 Collector's Report

Offering Towards 2022 Pledges	\$ 73,450.55
Additional Donations from Members and Friends	\$ 22,785.99
Cash (Plate) Offering	\$ 4,872.10
Offering Towards 2023 Pre-Pledges	\$ 10,700.00
Total	\$ 111,808.64

Respectfully Submitted
Corey Haynes
Collector

Financial Discipleship Report of the Stewardship Campaign

The Stewardship Campaign in the Fall of 2022 has produced an increase in the total number of pledges in the last year. The number of pledges increased to 39 pledges in 2023 from 34 pledges in 2022. The total amount pledged toward 2023 is \$75,712.00 which is a decrease of \$5,060.00, or 6.2%.



Second Baptist Church Memorial Fund 2022

The Memorial Fund is monies from people who wish to donate in memory of an individual. The money is managed using a simple checking account, with additional monies being held in the church's investment savings account. Funds are transferred from the investment account to the checking account on an "as needed" basis.

2022 Donations to Second Baptist Church Memorial Fund **375.00**
In 2022 no funds were expended

Memorial Fund Activity

Memorial Fund Total as of January 1, 2022 **\$19,866.68**

Memorial Fund – Investment Savings Account as of 01-01-2022	13,353.04
Deposits	-0-
Interest	25.97
Memorial Fund – Savings Account as of 12-31-2022	13,379.01
 Checking Account as of 01-01-2022	 6,513.64
Donations	375.00
Withdrawals	-0-
Checking Account Balance as of 12-31-2022	6,888.64

Memorial Fund Total as of December 31, 2022 **\$20,267.65**

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca M. Fuller
Memorial Gifts Treasurer



House Committee

The SBC House Committee continues to support the church by trying to deal with the effects of time and use on our properties. We completed many major projects over the past year and several minor updates. Below is a list of some of our major accomplishments or items worth noting:

1. Stripping of wallpaper and painting of the Pastor's office
2. Replacements of lights in the Pastor's office, Library, bathrooms near the Common room, Office and Activity room
3. Dealing with a boiler failure in January during a significant cold spell that resulted in:
 - A split pipe despite our efforts to maintain heat with alternative sources
 - Dealing with the Fire Marshall because of the split pipe setting off the fire alarm and the fire department discovering our alternate propane heat sources
 - Repair of the boiler
 - Repair of the pipe
 - Closing off and insulating the top of the pipe chase where the split occurred
4. Sanctuary updates including:
 - Ceiling repairs dues to steeple leaks and T-Mobile contractor damage
 - Painting of ceiling and walls by Valley
 - Painting of the windows by Mike Lindsay
 - Carpet replacement everywhere except around the balcony side pews
 - Repositioning of pews after the carpet replacement
5. Parsonage updates including:
 - Replacement of the garage door openers
 - Updates to the electrical service
 - Painting of the garage doors and entry doors
 - Updates to the deck including replacement of the railings and stripping of paint in anticipation of repainting this spring
 - Significant chimney repairs
 - Replacement of the garbage disposal
 - Attic window replacement and repairs to siding from electrical service change
 - Installation of baby gates on stairs
6. Sanctuary main entrance repairs including repointing of some of the brick work and recalking
7. Sealing of the chimney at above the kitchen/parlor in attempt to stop the crumbling of bricks in the kitchen and furnace room

We are forever indebted to Walt for taking the lead overseeing and managing the majority of this work

To the members of the House Committee, Walt Malec, Richard Binns, Ted Scheiber, Jamie Guilmette and Scott Miller thank you for your dedication and support of our church – you make a difference.

There are many items on our punch list. Overseeing of the Church properties is done on an all-volunteer basis – our plates are full and our to-do list is long. We ask members of the church to be understanding of our time – if you see something say something and understand we will get to it as time and budget allows.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cliff Barron, Chairperson

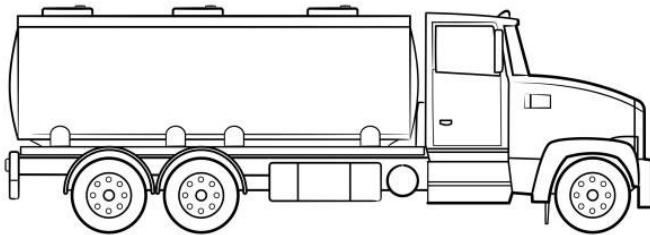
ANNUAL REPORT 2022 – SBC PARSONAGE CHECKING ACCOUNT

The new SBC Parsonage Checking Account was established August 31, 2022 as a means to make Cash on Delivery payments for spot delivery of heating oil to the SBC Parsonage. The objective is to pay the lowest possible price (\$/gallon) by making appointments with the heating oil dealer for oil drop amounts of 150 gallons or more.

We summarize 2022 activity within the checking account as follows:

Opening Balance JAN 01, 2022	\$ 0.00
Total Deposits from SBC Main Checking	\$ 3210.00
Total checks cut for heating oil delivery	\$ 1396.84
End Year Balance DEC 31, 2022	\$ 1813.16

Respectfully submitted,
Howard R. Beal - Treasurer



Church Staff Relations

The Church Staff Relations Committee (CSRC) was created by merging the Pastoral Relations and Personnel committees. The CSRC attempts to meet quarterly as needed to serve in a liaison role to align the interests of the staff and of the congregation.

We had a busy year in 2022 and were very glad to welcome our new settled pastor Justin Cox and his family August 15th, 2022.

Before our new pastor arrived, we had two resignations. First, Evelyne Battle our 19+ year Music Director gave several months' notice however CSRC decided to wait for our new pastor to arrive and be part of the hiring process since all part time staff report to the pastor. We thank Evelyne for her many years of dedicated service to Second Baptist Music program and extend a special thanks to Jean Aldrich-Jones for stepping up to keep music program going with help from Music Committee and Choir. After an extensive search we have extended an offer to a candidate that we hope to welcome in January 2023 as new Music Director.

The second resignation in August was from Alison Hardy Dusto our Office Manager after 8 years of service. A Special thanks to Evelyne Battle who stepped into her former role as Office Manager for two months and has been instrumental in training our new Office Manager Laura Burnaford who we officially welcomed to join our part time staff in October 2022.

Since the Building Use Manager position has been vacant for a second year - our Custodian has stepped up in March to take on about 50% of those room use responsibilities, managing the role with ease. Therefore, we have negotiated with Jenn Sikes to increase her hours and adding building use tasks to the current Custodian responsibilities. This merging of positions also required a pay adjustment built into the 2023 budget.

One of our ways to support our staff is to make sure that Second Baptist Staff have performance reviews getting feedback on a regular basis. As all part time staff report directly to the Pastor, The Pastor is responsible to conduct Staff reviews which is still in process as all are getting settled. Regular Staff meeting have been energized and exciting as one staff commented they are so glad to have Justin as our Pastor. Normally representatives from the Diaconate, Church Staff Relations and Moderator conduct a joint review for the Pastor which will be planned for summer 2023.

SBC staff salaries (excluding the Pastor) are over 100% of the 2022 pledge collection which is more than the 50% target recommended by ABCCONN. To cover this shortfall we are using money from the T-Mobile Lease, and other income sources – we target 50% of Trust funds to cover Pastor Salary and church dedicated expenses.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Santi, Tina Berrien, Michele Brown-Quinn, Art Sikes

CHURCH HISTORY 2022

The Second Baptist Church of Suffield began the year with no pastor. The resignation of Rev. Dr. Rachael Lawrence had taken effect at the end of December 2021, and the Pastor Search Committee was in the process of selecting final candidates. The Diaconate, led by David Battle, had the responsibility of obtaining weekly preachers and an interim pastor. Activities and meetings of the congregation occurred under lay leadership and outside groups continued to use church facilities. A major event was the completion of the merger of the Enfield American Baptist Church with the Second Baptist Church of Suffield. Covid-19 did cause some changes to scheduled activities and mask wearing and social distancing were expected as the year began.

An Interim Pastor Task Force was appointed by the Diaconate: Life Deacon, David Jones, Chairman, and members Molly Drenzek, David Battle, Laura Burnaford and Barry Sisk. ABCCONN Executive Minister Rev. Harry Riggs and Rev. Erica Wimber Avena recommended Rev. Dr. Michael Newheart who was completing an interim pastorate in West Hartford. He was interviewed via ZOOM by the Task Force which subsequently chose him. The terms of his employment were handled by the Transition Ministries of ABCUSA. Rev. Newheart began his SBC interim pastorate on February 20, 2022. He ended his service on August 7, 2022.

Many lay leaders and staff committed time and effort to continue programs and keep church physical facilities in excellent condition. Worship services at 10 am continued to be live streamed by Life Deacon David Jones. His pre and post worship time with technology on Sunday morning alone took a minimum of an hour. The congregation is blessed to have his commitment. The music program for countless years was led by Director of Music, Evelyne Battle, and organist and Handbell Choir Director, Jean Jones. Evelyne resigned after over 19 years of leadership but continued to volunteer her musical talents. Sue Schneller has led many activities for many years. Custodian Jennifer Sikes has done a thorough job, especially during Covid protocols, in caring for church facilities.

Many, many volunteers worked countless hours to enable programs to succeed. Moderator Becky Tobiasz and Vice Moderator Tiffany Bianco and Karen Santi provided positive administrative and financial functions. Cliff Barron used his decades of House Committee experience to accomplish tasks small and large with the assistance of Richard Binns and Walt Malec among others. A new carpet for the sanctuary was a huge task. Bev Sikes served in leadership roles continuing decades of service. The Pastor Search Committee committed countless hours in a successful effort to recommend a settled pastor. Members were Chairman Ernie Begin, Tina Berrien, Tiffany Bianco, Michelle Brown-Quinn, Madelyn Eckley, Jamie Guilmette, Walter Malec, Lucille Miller and Lauren O'Hara. Every volunteer is worthy of mention; please refer to the Annual Report.

The ministries and activities of SBC continued meeting usually monthly. Meeting in person or ZOOM were the Council of Ministries and Diaconate, the Music, House, Calling and Caring, and Missions Committees, the Growth and Outreach Ministry, and the Trustees and Finance Committee. The Green Team met as scheduled. The Sanctuary and Handbell Choirs met on a regular basis and the Folk Group as scheduled. A small study group on Spiritual Directions met on Sunday evenings for a few months beginning in January via ZOOM. Women's Lunch Bunch met once a month at noon in the Fellowship Hall. The Springfield soup kitchen mission occurred when possible.

Community groups continued to use SBC facilities. Friends of the Kent Memorial Library rent space in the Prior Wing. The Suffield Historical Society Trustees held two meetings in the Common Room. The Boy Scout Board met monthly. Two different AA groups met weekly, the Boy Scouts met weekly as did two different Yoga classes. The Cetto Chamber Singers also held monthly rehearsals.

Many occasional activities and events occurred during the year. In January, activities to meet community needs were held on the 9th after worship (Hats for Hope) and on the 16th (Soup to Go - home made for sale). On the 2nd, Rev. Dr, Harry Riggs, ABCCONN Executive Minister, preached. The SBC Annual Meeting was held on the 30th after the worship service. In February, a group including the d'Otreppes furnished the parsonage for the incoming interim pastor. Rev. Dr. Michael Newheart moved in and began his term on the 20th. An American Red Cross blood drive was held on the 9th in Fellowship Hall from noon to 5 pm.

In March, Shrove Tuesday was recognized with food and activities in the Activity Room from 6 to 7:30 pm. Lenten breakfasts began at 8 am on the 6th. The Folk Group began practices at 8:30 am. At the worship service, a request from the ABCUSA General Secretary to pray for the people of Ukraine was stated. Women's and men's small groups began to meet on the 7th. On the 8th, the pastor notified the congregation that no regular office hours would be held because of Covid. Appointments to meet the Pastor were to be made via telephone or the internet. The Green Team met on the 16th in the library at 2 pm. Lenten breakfasts were held on the 13th, 20th and 27th.

On Palm Sunday, April 10, special music was performed by the choir: " The Crown and the Cross", a Palm Sunday passion suite. On Maundy Thursday, a communion service was held at 7 pm. Easter Sunday was celebrated with wonderful music provided by the Handbell and Sanctuary choirs and brass instrumentalists. Sunday, April 24, was candidate Sunday with Rev. Justin Cox preaching. The Hot Cat Jazz Band provided music before, during and after the service. After the completion of worship, a special church meeting was held to consider the candidacy of Rev. Justin Cox, Comments were made, a vote by ballot was held and Rev Cox was called to be settled Pastor of SBC. Members of the Pastor Search Committee were Ernie Begin, Chairman, Tina Berrien, Tiffany Bianco, Michelle Brown-Quinn, Madeline Eckley, Jamie Guilmette, Walter Malec, Lucille Miller, and Lauren O'Hara..

Earth Sunday, May 1, was celebrated with a film, " Just Eat It! A Food Waste Story", which was shown during Fellowship Time. A New Yoga class began on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Church cleanup day was Saturday, May 7 10-noon. Music Appreciation Sunday, May 15, was postponed because the choir and musicians were exposed to Covid at choir practice on Thursday evening. Therefore, the music for the service came from a boombox setup by Sue Schneller. During the Memorial Day parade, members of the Growth and Outreach Ministry handed out poppy pins to the public.

In June, the Suffield Ping Pong Club returned to action on Wednesday nights, 7-9.pm. Also, the Flamingo Yoga class continued on Thursdays at 10 am. Sunday, May 12, was a busy day. It was Children's Sunday, graduate recognition day and Music Appreciation Day. The church picnic occurred after the worship service. Potluck suppers were held on the 15th and 22nd at 6 pm. The Cetto Chamber Singers Concert was held on the 18th at 2 pm in the sanctuary.

In the July-August Crier, Interim Pastor Newheart's farewell letter to the congregation appeared. The gardens created by the Green Team on church grounds were doing beautifully. Vacation Bible School was held July 11-15, 9 am to noon. It was open to all kids in the community grades K-5. On Wednesdays, the 16th and 20th, potluck suppers were held with the Diaconate providing hotdogs and hamburgers. Worship services moved to First Baptist Church of Suffield in August. Rev. Dr. Michael Newheart preached on the 7th, his last day as Interim Pastor of Second Baptist and Interim Honorary Pastor of First Baptist.

On September 4, Sunday worship was at First Baptist. Rev. Justin Cox began his pastorate in August and Sunday the 11th was his first Sunday preaching at SBC. The usual meetings and activities restarted for the new church year. Suffield on the Green occurred on the 10th and 11th and SBC had a booth there. Homecoming Sunday was the 18th and the Hot Cat Jazz Band provided music for the service. A potluck lunch was served at 12:30 pm. The Pastor initiated weekly staff meetings on Tuesdays.

In October, in addition to the usual scheduled meetings and activities, there was an American Red Cross blood drive on the 12th, noon to 5 pm in Fellowship Hall. A "Ministry Fair" was held during Fellowship time on the 16th. The purpose was to explain the opportunities for service at SBC. On the 19th, the Suffield historical Society Trustees held a meeting in the Common Room at 7 pm. On the 26th, the Missions Ministry sponsored two special speakers, Ricardo Mayol, and Dwight Bolick who are International Ministries Global Servants. Ricardo is based in Guatemala as a representative of the Continental Christian Network for Peace. Dwight is currently based in College Station, Texas but is still training partners in Central America in rainwater harvesting, installing model systems, encouraging its use in addressing the severe water crises throughout the region.

An All Saints Day service was held at 6 pm on November 1. The Holiday Fair was held on Saturday, the 5th, from 9 am to 3 pm. The Installation Service for Pastor Justin Cox was held at 2 pm Sunday the 6th. The SBC Thanksgiving Dinner was enjoyed on Saturday, the 19th, at 4 pm - a good turnout of about 140 people. Meals were delivered to shut-ins. Sunday, the 20th, was Commitment Sunday. November 27 was the first Sunday of Advent.

December 4 was the second Sunday of Advent. An American Red Cross blood drive was held on the 7th. The music at the worship service on the third Sunday of Advent, the 11th, was enhanced by the Nutmeg Brass Quintet. The community carol sing at First Baptist Church on Hastings Hill was held at 4 pm. On December 16, the fourth Sunday of Advent, holiday baskets were compiled with the leadership of Corey Haynes. The service was attended by the Shylin family from Odessa, Ukraine. They wished to thank the congregation for paying for airline tickets which enabled the family to come to the U.S. The Missions Committee acted for the congregation. Sergy, the father and husband, spoke to the congregation from the lectern, in English, about his family (wife and three children) and their situation. He was a deacon in his church in Odessa. The family attended Fellowship Time when they conversed with members.

The Christmas Eve pageant was held at 5 pm and a service of carols, scripture and prayers was conducted at 10 pm. The Christmas Day worship service included the lighting of the Christ candle and personal reflections of three congregants in lieu of a sermon.

This year was one of transition which contained spiritual gains and continued care for the physical plant. It was a year of hope for renewed vigor in the life of the congregation which faces significant challenges to fulfill the mission of Second Baptist Church of Suffield, challenges which must be met with integrity, love, and understanding.

Barry N. Sisk
SBC Historian

Boy Scout Troops 260(Boys) and Troop 262(Girls) 2022 Annual Report to Second Baptist Church

Troops 260 and 262 remain grateful for the sponsorship and support of Second Baptist Church. Both troops are proud to call Second Baptist 'home' and appreciate the church hosting them. Troop 260 was established in 1991. Troop 262 was established in 2020. Both troops offer a strong, year-round program that builds character, leadership and a sense of community.

Troop 260 and 262 has a dedicated and hard-working leadership team. Troop 262 gained three new Assistant Scoutmasters this year, Stacey Coleman, Frances Gibson and Jacob LaValley. The comradery and respect amongst the leadership team has been a wonderful highlight of the year. This positive morale boost has greatly impacted the success of the program and impact on the youth. The team has been able to make lasting connections, teach valuable lessons and foster trust and an appreciation for the outdoors. Mike Cremins continues to serve as Scoutmaster of Troop 260 and Krystal Holmes is the Scoutmaster for Troop 262. Cliff Barron continues to serve as Committee Chair and Walt Malec continues to serve the Troops as Charter Organization Representative.

Our scouting program is well respected in the community and remains strong, with a high retention of scouts. Troop 260 membership grew in 2022 to a total of 29 scouts. Troop 262 membership also grew in 2022 to a total of 15 girls. Three Troop 260 Scouts proudly achieved the highest Scout rank of Eagle in 2022, Jacob Quinn, Matthew Tini, and Jack Shanks. Achieving this goal is no small feat, only 4% of Scouts persevere to attain the rank of Eagle.

As a home base, the Second Baptist Church facilities allows our Troops the needed space to support our goals of citizenship, personal growth and leadership development. Our scouts inspire our annual programs. Their inspiration led to an active and diverse array of programs in 2022 including:

- Indoor Rock Climbing in March
- Canoe trip on the Farmington River in May
- Ultralight overnight hike on the Appalachian Trail in June
- Summer Camp at June Norcross Webster in July
- Biking the Cape Cod Rail Trail in August
- Spelunking the Clarksville Cave in New York in September
- Canoeing Long Lake and Raquette River in the Adirondacks in October
- Urban Navigation in Montreal in November

The Troops excitedly announced a new initiative this year, bi-annual international trips. The first international trip will be to Italy in July 2023. The response has been overwhelmingly positive with over 40 scouts, leaders and parents registered for this upcoming trip.

We remain conscious of the importance of Second Baptist Church in our ability to positively impact these young people. We thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cliff Barron
Committee Chair Troop 260 & Troop 262

Trustees Report

It has been the policy of the Trustees to contribute to the operation and mission budgets from the Trust endowment funds on a quarterly basis. Annual distributions are based on 5% of the 3-year rolling average. The endowment average is taken on November 30th of each year. Therefore, the Trust fiscal year is from November to November. The endowment value as of November 30th 2022 is \$ 4,320,846.83. This total value includes \$110,633.12 of non-trust monies that is being held in the trust account to gain more growth than in a bank savings account. The endowment is managed by two institutions, Bank of America holding \$ 1,923,792.18 and Bach Investments holding \$ 2,397,054.65.

The period from November 30, 2021 to November 30, 2022, was a very challenging one for the stock market and the SBC Trust. After several years of gains especially last year, this year the Trust dropped 15.2% or \$777,768.03.

The reason that the SBC Trust balance and contributions are calculated at the end of November instead of the end of December, is to have the Trust contributions known earlier so that the church budget for the following year can be developed starting in December instead of January.

As usual in November 2022, the Trustees held their annual review separately with Bank of America and Bach Investments to conduct a formal review of our investments for the past year and to plan for the upcoming years as well.

There were no contributions this year. Details of the Trust monies is supplied on the following pages by Art Sike's spreadsheet.

A special thanks to the other Trustees and especially Karen Santi for calculating the numbers for this annual report.

Respectively submitted,
Scott Schneider, Chair



Second Baptist Church Endowment Funds for the Year 2022, pg 1/3

Grantor Restrictions		Market Value 11/30/2022	Proration 11/30/2022
Funds for General Purpose			
	Name of Fund		
U	Leavitt B. Ahrens	\$12,055.03	0.00286328
R	Loomis Hatheway Ahrens	\$19,854.39	0.00471577
R	Mary B. Ahrens	\$17,761.04	0.00421856
U	Polly Baker, added Nov 2020	\$9,350.91	0.00222101
R	Alice Bartlett	\$66,888.99	0.01588731
R	Charles S. Bissell	\$26,232.73	0.00623074
R	Dorothy F. Bissell	\$23,376.55	0.00555234
U	Shirley Brown	\$439,669.76	0.10442932
R	George L. Creelman	\$3,679.52	0.00087395
R	E. Scott Farley Memorial	\$1,110.07	0.00026366
U	Frankie Connelly	\$80,248.57	0.01906045
R	Edward A. Fuller Fund (3/5)	\$151,988.38	0.03609992
R	Edward A. Fuller Fund #2	\$175,157.39	0.04160297
U	Emma J. Fuller	\$6,347.29	0.00150759
R	Franklin Fuller	\$75,065.04	0.01782927
U	Nathana Fuller	\$399,101.36	0.09479361
U	Samuel Fuller	\$5,237.22	0.00124393
U	Summner F. Fuller	\$28,018.15	0.00665480
U	Susan Fuller, added Sep 2020	\$38,786.85	0.00921256
U	Valyn Galvin	\$109,557.90	0.02602193
R	Alberta P. Greer	\$4,220.31	0.00100240
R	Erwin Grimmeisen	\$27,966.76	0.00664260
R	Cora E. Halladay	\$245,492.55	0.05830881
U	Astrid Hanzaleck, added Apr 2020 & Nov 2020	\$28,488.35	0.00676649
R	Ernest A. Hathaway	\$40,844.70	0.00970134
R	Louise E. Hatheway	\$3,563.09	0.00084630
U	Dorothy Kent	\$84,600.88	0.02009420
R	Helen M. King Church Expenses	\$12,045.11	0.00286092
R	Helen M. King Residuary	\$31,133.59	0.00739478
R	Land Sale Fund	\$62,989.07	0.01496101
R	Marian Lamont Maintenance Fund	\$68,957.49	0.01637862
R	Howard F. Pease	\$16,619.93	0.00394753
R	Nellie M. Pease	\$26,266.36	0.00623872
R	Bessie F. Perry	\$303,335.04	0.07204742
R	Edwin and Caroline Pomroy	\$17,761.04	0.00421856
R	George L. and Mary L. Pomeroy	\$12,924.87	0.00306989
R	Clifford H. and Helen F. Prior	\$43,662.57	0.01037063
R	Agnes Hatheway Senter	\$3,260.34	0.00077439
R	Charles L. Spencer	\$10,487.39	0.00249094
R	I. Luther Spencer Memorial	\$90,652.72	0.02153162
R	Louise P. Spencer	\$1,756.96	0.00041731
U	Harriet Wing Estate (3/4)	\$52,139.64	0.01238408
U	Miscellaneous Gifts, added to Nov 2020	\$75,560.76	0.01794701
	Total General Purposes	\$2,954,216.63	0.70167852

Second Baptist Church Endowment Funds for the Year 2022, pg 2/3

Grantor Restrictions	Name of Fund	Market Value 11/30/2022	Proration 11/30/2022
Funds for Property upkeep			
U	Frankie Connelly Property Upkeep Fund	\$106,998.10	0.02541393
U	Nathena Fuller Property Upkeep Fund	\$109,593.65	0.02603042
U	Samuel Fuller Property Upkeep Fund	\$3,491.48	0.00082929
U	Susan Fuller, added Sep 2020	\$9,275.12	0.00220300
U	Fred Hanzalek Property Upkeep Fund	\$11,100.88	0.00263665
U	Astrid Hanzaleck, added Apr 2020 & Nov 2020	\$6,812.70	0.00161814
	Total Property Upkeep	\$247,271.92	0.05873144
Funds for Music			
U	Samuel Fuller Music Fund	\$1,745.74	0.00041464
R	Marian Lamont Choir and Music Fund	\$68,957.46	0.01637861
U	Miscellaneous Gifts, added to Nov 2020	\$7,480.73	0.00177680
	Total Music	\$78,183.93	0.01857006
Funds for Fellowship Assistance			
R	Zebrine Adams & Emily Sheldon	\$40,153.82	0.00953724
U	Frankie Connelly	\$40,124.29	0.00953023
U	Nathena Fuller	\$75,046.68	0.01782491
U	Samuel Fuller	\$2,618.61	0.00062197
U	Susan Fuller, added Sep 2020	\$9,275.12	0.00220300
U	Astrid Hanzaleck, added Apr 2020 & Nov 2020	\$6,812.70	0.00161814
U	Mary J. Hatheway (1/2)	\$290.77	0.00006906
R	Helen M. King	\$42,485.23	0.01009099
R	Marion Lamont Fund for Poor Members	\$68,957.46	0.01637861
R	Geneve E. Last Poor Fund	\$9,491.18	0.00225432
R	Betsy Loomis	\$5,834.96	0.00138591
R	Chauncey Sheldon	\$3,433.69	0.00081556
	Total for Fellowship Assistance	\$304,524.50	0.07232994
Funds for Missions			
U	Frankie Connelly	\$40,124.29	0.00953023
R	Edward A. Fuller #2 (Curr. Expense 1/2)	\$175,172.93	0.04160666
U	Nathena Fuller	\$130,933.60	0.03109904
U	Samuel Fuller	\$4,364.35	0.00103661
U	Susan Fuller, added Sep 2020	\$9,275.12	0.00220300
U	Astrid Hanzaleck, added Apr 2020 & Nov 2020	\$6,812.70	0.00161814
U	Mary J. Hatheway (1/2)	\$478.70	0.00011370
U	Harriett Wing Estate (1/4)	\$17,379.88	0.00412803
R	Mission Outreach (formerly Poor Fund #2)	\$90,954.85	0.02160338
	Total for Missions	\$475,496.41	0.11293878

Second Baptist Church Endowment Funds for the Year 2022, pg 3/3

Grantor Restrictions	Name of Fund	Market Value 11/30/2022	Proration 11/30/2022
Funds for Women's Bapt Home Mission Soc.			
R	Hattie A. Fuller	\$6,047.15	0.00143630
U	Nathena Fuller	\$2,847.26	0.00067627
R	Sarah L. Fuller	\$5,288.98	0.00125623
R	Emily A. Spencer	\$9,079.76	0.00215660
	Total WBHMS	\$23,263.15	0.00552541
Funds for Women's Baptist Foreign Missions			
R	Hattie A. Fuller	\$6,047.15	0.00143630
U	Nathena Fuller	\$2,847.26	0.00067627
R	Sarah L. Fuller	\$5,288.98	0.00125623
R	Emily A. Spencer	\$9,079.76	0.00215660
	Total WBFMS	\$23,263.15	0.00552541
Funds for Third Baptist Church Suffield			
R	Cora A. Cone	\$2,652.26	0.00062996
R	Edward A. Fuller (2/5)	\$101,341.94	0.02407050
	Total Third Baptist Church	\$103,994.20	0.02470045
	Total Trust Funds:	\$4,210,213.88	1.00000000
Non-Trust	Investments	\$110,633.12	
	Total Consolidated Endowment Fund:	\$4,320,847.00	
As of November 30, 2022 funds were invested as Follows:			
	US Trusts	\$1,923,792.00	
	American Funds	\$2,397,055.00	
	Total Consolidated Investment Funds	\$4,320,847.00	



2022 Treasurer Report for Second Baptist Church (SBC)

The following two pages include SBC 2022 Financial Statements for Budget vs. Actual Expenditures for 2022 plus the 2023 Proposed Budget. The third page presents SBC Investment Report summarizing our Main Checking Account and Investment Account activity for 2022. No Merrill Lynch Contributed Stock Sell activity occurred this year. Funds held in the Investment Account resides both in our bank Savings Account and SBC Trust Accounts and are earmarked for future designated purposes.

For JAN 01, 2022 Investment Account starting balance was \$ 268,523.59 with closing balance on DEC 31, 2022 of \$ 171,067.21. The net change of \$ 97,456.38 occurred from funds consumption undertaking major projects (please refer to House Committee report) plus negative market performance during 2022.

Besides the Trust Funds, SBC Treasurer funds Missions Support (Treasurer of Benevolences) through a percentage of Pledges and Plate Offerings. In 2022 we contributed 10.0%, Prior three-year contributions were 13.6%, 13.9% 10.2%, respectively. In 2023 we anticipate maintaining 10% towards Mission Support.

For 2022, PayPal electronic payment service delivered 90 transactions yielding \$ 10,427.00 while we paid \$ 344.94 in fees, netting \$ 10,082.06 . For comparison, 2021 saw 118 transactions netting \$ 19,787.71 after fees, while 2020 saw 101 transactions netting \$ 24,265.02 after fees, and 2019 saw 21 transactions netting \$ 11,872.93 after fees.

Our Stewardship Campaign reports 39 pledges for 2023 vs 34 for 2022. The Total 2023 amount pledged is \$ 75,212, a decrease of \$ 5,060 which is 6.2% lower than 2022.

One interesting observation for 2022 was that 23.6% of the categories Pledge, Non-Pledge & Plate, plus Pledge Prepays for 2023 all came in during the last 6 weeks of 2022, with major deposits arriving even into the last business day of 2022.

Of total SBC 2022 Income, Collections of Pledge, Plate, and Future Pays was 26.7% of total; Building Use Fees were 14%; Trust Fund Distributions 58.8%; and Misc. Income was 0.6% of total. For total SBC 2023 Predicted Income, Collections of Pledge & Plate is 25% (we can't predict 2024 Future Pays); Building Use Fees 13%, Trust Fund Distributions 62%. Clearly SBC stays afloat thanks to the generosity of our forebears, plus our policy of offering expanded SBC building use for benefit of our community.

2023 will see all SBC Staff positions filled 100% which will help enormously in getting a multitude of tasks done in the church. The downside is that Payroll expense will be substantially higher vs 2022 when several positions were temporarily vacant for several months of the year. Payroll was 41.6% of Income in 2022, while Payroll is projected to be 50.9% of predicted Income in 2023.

I extend thanks to other contributors to our Treasury Team: Laura Burnaford - Assistant Treasurer; Corey Haynes – Collector; and don't forget Karen Santi and Art Sikes – playing roles as Instructors and Mentors helping us get up to speed in our new roles.

Our System of Record is QuickBooks, recording deposits, bank reconciliation, expenses, and financial reporting. SBC holds checking and savings accounts at Peoples' Bank of Holyoke MA.

Respectfully Submitted,
Howard R. Beal, Treasurer

Second Baptist Church of Suffield

2022 Statement of Income, Expenses and Proposed 2023 Budget

						2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget
INCOME	1100 OFFERING							
	1110 Pledges					80,772	73,451	78,212
	1120 Non Pledge & Plate					19,500	27,658	23,000
	Subtotal Pledges					100,272	101,109	101,212
	1130 Pledge prepayments					0	10,700	0
	Total 1100 OFFERING					100,272	111,809	101,212
	1200 BUILDING USE AND LEASES							
	1220 Suffield Academy					3,600	0	0
	1230 Bldg Use Fees					2,100	5,832	5,800
	1240 EAB Preschool					10,800	16,800	10,800
	1250 T-Mobile Lease					33,000	33,892	34,916
	Total 1200 DONATIONS BLDG USE AND LEASES					49,500	56,524	51,516
	1300 TRUST FUND RECEIVED							
	1310 Second Baptist Church					157,283	157,284	160,287
	1320 Fellowship Assist./Diacona					16,185	16,185	16,494
	1330 Missions					27,745	27,745	28,275
	1340 Third Baptist Church					5,527	5,527	5,633
	1350 Lamont Trust					17,112	22,835	21,800
	1370 Property Upkeep					13,142	13,142	13,393
	1380 Music					3,887	3,887	3,961
	Total 1300 TRUST FUND RECEIVED					240,882	246,605	249,844
	1500 INTEREST INCOME					50	33	25
	1700 Misc Income						617	
	3310 Flower Donations						577	
	3300 Non-Budgeted Income - Other						1,278	
	Total 3300 Non-Budgeted Income					50	2,505	25
Total Income						390,704	417,443	402,597
EXPENSE	2100 CHURCH PROPERTY							
	2110 Insurance					16,500	17,066	17,824
	2120 Maintenance					32,625	42,273	32,273
	2130 Utilities					28,700	41,526	31,526
	2140 EAB property Expenses					10,800	8,751	10,800
	2150 Major Repairs					2,000	1,750	2,000
	2160 Property Upkeep					13,142	16,285	
	Total 2100 CHURCH PROPERTY					103,767	127,650	94,423
	2200 CHURCH EXPENSE							
	2210 Christian Education children and youth					3,000	3,000	3,000
	2211 Adult Education					1,000	61	0
	2220 Music					3,600	3,820	2,600
	2230 Paid Musicians					3,887	5,455	3,961
	2240 Office and Printing					8,900	6,145	6,000
	2250 Program and Outreach					4,000	3,758	3,000
	2260 Paid Substitutes					1,800	2,026	1,500
	2270 Food Ministry					1,100	363	1,200
	2280 Staff Continuing Education					500	0	500
	2285 Search committee					3,000	3,623	0
	4310 Flowers					800	842	850
	2290 Banking Expenses					1,400	549	650
	Total 2200 CHURCH EXPENSE					32,987	29,642	22,761

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2022 Statement of Income, Expenses and Proposed 2023 Budget

				2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget
EXPENSE (cont)						
2300 MISSION SUPPORT						
			2310 Treasurer of Missions	10,027	8,611	12,763
			2320 Fellowship Assist./Diacon	16,185	16,185	16,494
			2330 Treasurer of Benevolence	27,745	27,745	28,351
			2340 Third Baptist Church	5,527	5,527	5,633
Total 2300 MISSION SUPPORT				59,485	58,068	63,242
2400 PASTOR						
			2410 Salary	28,125	19,813	45,500
			2412 FICA Offset	2,147	63	6,772
			2414 Retirement, MMBB	9,871	5,379	14,192
			2416 Reimbursement Health Ins.	9,000	4,500	12,000
			2418 Professional Expenses	150	25	300
			2420 Continuing Education	450	551	1,250
			2422 Mileage	750	85	750
Total 2400 PASTOR				50,493	30,417	80,764
2450 Interim						
			2460 Salary	9,208	37,800	
			2462 FICA	704	0	
			2464 Retirement, MMBB	1,473	0	
Total 2450 Interim				11,386	37,800	
2500 PAYROLL EXPENSE/SALARY						
			2520 Choir Director	11,197	6,629	11,197
			2530 Christian Ed. Coord.	25,805	26,123	26,837
			2540 Custodian/Bld Use Mgt	21,216	22,047	28,405
			2570 Organist	14,770	15,160	15,361
			2580 Office Manager	27,050	23,475	27,050
			2590 Building Use	9,600	0	0
Total 2500 PAYROLL EXPENSE/SALARY				109,638	93,434	108,850
			< 50% recommended	109% of Pledge**	92% of Pledge	108% of Pledge**
2600 PAYROLL EXPENSE & FICA				109%	92%	108%
			2610 Staff FICA	11,243	8,618	11,808
			2620 Workman Compensation	2,123	1,635	1,717
			2630 Payroll Expense/PayChex	1,850	1,816	1,678
Total 2600 PAYROLL EXPENSE & FICA				15,216	12,070	15,203
2700 INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS						
			2703 Organ Repair Fund	7,733	0	
			2710 Music Fund		3,887	3,961
			2760 Property Upkeep Fund	0	6,571	13,393
Total 2700 INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS				7,733	10,458	17,355
Total 2022 EXPENSE				390,705	399,539	402,597
			Net Income	0	17,904	0
			2023 Prepayment of Pledges		10,700	
			Net Gain 2022		7,204	

Investment and Checking Account 2022

All Starting Balance as of 1/1/2022			All Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022		
Checking Account, PeoplesBank				Starting Balance	\$29,249.04
	Checking			Ending Balance	\$43,417.72
Savings Account and Trust					
	Investment	savings		Total Investments starting:	\$268,523.59
Major Repair Fund				Starting Balance	\$174,733.58
	For major repairs Church & Parsonage			Interest - Investment Loss	\$ (10,432.03)
				Withdraw	\$ (86,954.26)
				Money Added	\$13,142.00
				Ending Balance	\$90,489.29
Organ Repair Fund				Starting Balance	\$47,543.95
	Used for organ service required every			Investment Loss	\$ (7,268.59)
	25 years, last done in 2001.			Ending Balance	\$40,275.36
Van Rental Fund				Starting Balance	\$789.89
	Used for Van Rental for Church			Interest	\$ 1.54
	Functions and/or events.			Ending Balance	\$791.43
Pastor Sabbatical Fund				Starting Balance	\$12,452.67
	sabbatical for pastor every seven years.			Withdrew	(\$8,000.00)
				Investment Loss	\$ (1,903.78)
				Ending Balance	\$2,548.89
Continuing Education Fund				Starting Balance	\$1,786.39
				Interest	\$ 3.47
				Ending Balance	\$1,789.86
Kitchen Upkeep/ Food Ministry Fund				Starting Balance	\$2,136.91
	keep equipment up to date and maintained			Interest	\$ 4.16
				Ending Balance	\$2,141.07
Food Ministry Fund				Starting Balance	\$1,718.70
				Interest	\$ 3.34
				Ending Balance	\$1,722.04
Music Fund				Starting Balance	\$14,008.46
				Interest	\$ 34.80
				Money Added	\$3,887.00
	Used by Music Ministry			Ending Balance	\$17,930.26
Memorial Fund				Starting Balance	\$13,353.04
	Memorial Gifts to SBC Used for Special purpose			Money Withdrawn	\$0.00
				Interest	\$ 25.97
				Ending Balance	\$13,379.01
				Total Investments ending:	\$171,067.21
					\$171,067.21
				TRUST	\$ 108,976.01
Savings and Trust				SAVINGS ACCT	\$ 62,091.20

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Ministry	Team	2023 Person
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	Caroline d'Otreppe
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	David Battle
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	Melissa Bednarz
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	Nancy Drenzek
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	George Bernier
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	Tiffany Bianco
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	Michele Brown-Quinn
Worship Ministry	Diaconate	Mark O'Hara
Sub Ministry to Diaconate	Music Ministry	Tina Berrien
Sub Ministry to Diaconate	Music Ministry	Mary Ann Grant
Sub Ministry to Diaconate	Music Ministry	Molly Drenzek
Sub Ministry to Diaconate	Music Ministry	Lois Vormstein-Schneider
Sub Ministry to Diaconate	Music Ministry	Caroline d'Otreppe
Administrative Ministry	Interim Moderator	Scott Schneider
Administrative Ministry	Moderator	Tiffany Bianco
Administrative Ministry	Vice Moderator	
Administrative Ministry	Clerk	Becky Tobiasz
Administrative Ministry	Treasurer	Howard Beal
Administrative Ministry	Treasurer of Benevolences	Laura Burnaford
Administrative Ministry	Collector	Corey Haynes
Administrative Ministry	Bookkeeping & EOY Auditor	David Jones
Sub Ministry of Administrative	Church Staff Relations Ministry	Pastor assignee tbd
Sub Ministry of Administrative	Church Staff Relations Ministry	Karen Santi
Sub Ministry of Administrative	Church Staff Relations Ministry	Diaconate assignee tbd
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	Molly Drenzek
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	Sue Schneller
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	Corey Haynes
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	June Hodges
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	Jean Rinaldi
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	Evelyne Battle
Growth and Outreach Ministry	Growth & Outreach	Bev Sikes
Financial & Building Ministries	Finance - Treasurer	Howard Beal
Financial & Building Ministries	Asst treasurer - Bookkeeper	Laura Burnaford
Financial & Building Ministries	Director of Memorial Fund	Art Sikes
Financial & Building Ministries	Finance - Memorial Fund Asst	Becki Fuller
Financial & Building Ministries	<i>Trustee Treasurer - Funds</i>	Karen Santi
Financial & Building Ministries	Finance - Payroll	Howard Beal

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Ministry	Team	2023 Person
Financial & Building Ministries	House Ministry	Cliff Barron
Financial & Building Ministries	House Ministry	Walter Malec
Financial & Building Ministries	House Ministry	Jamie Guilmette
Financial & Building Ministries	House Ministry	Ted Sheiber
Financial & Building Ministries	House Ministry	Richard Binns
Financial & Building Ministries	House Ministry	Scott Miller
Financial & Building Ministries	Trustee	Jamie Guilmette
Financial & Building Ministries	Trustee	Howard Beal
Financial & Building Ministries	Trustee	Scott Schneider
Financial & Building Ministries	Trustee	David Jones
Financial & Building Ministries	Trustee	Walt Malec
Financial & Building Ministries	Trustee	Karen Santi
Spiritual Formation Ministry	Christian Ed - Children	Jean Rinaldi
Spiritual Formation Ministry	Christian Ed - Children	Tiffany Bianco
Spiritual Formation Ministry	Adult Ed/Small Groups	Susan Ruddock
Spiritual Formation Ministry	Adult Ed/Small Groups	David Battle
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Lois Vormstein-Schneider
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Laura Burnaford
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Ernie Begin
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Nancy Smith
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Mark Englander
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Susan Ruddock
Mission Service and Justice Ministry	Missions	Becky Tobiasz
Fellowship & Caring Ministry	Fellowship and Caring Ministry	Cliff Barron
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Flower Ministry	Molly Drenzek
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Flower Ministry	Susan Ruddock
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Flower Ministry	Sue Schneller
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Flower Ministry	Evelyne Battle
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Flower Ministry	Nancy Drenzek
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Flower Ministry	Jenn Sikes
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Calling Ministry	Bev Sikes
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Calling Ministry	Barry Sisk
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Calling Ministry	Dian Kingsbury
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Calling Ministry	Gail Davis
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Food Ministry	Cliff Barron
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Food Ministry	Sue Barron
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Food Ministry	Jamie Guilmette
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Food Ministry	Nancy Drenzek
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Food Ministry	Bev Sikes
Sub Ministry of Fellowship & Caring	Food Ministry	Art Sikes

IN MEMORIAM

Second Baptist Church Members...

Alan Craig Beal

Joined Second Baptist Church on April 11, 1993

Richard Normand Begin

Joined Second Baptist Church on October 24, 1993

Lucille Pierce Chase

Joined Second Baptist Church on April 19, 1959

Luther Killam

Joined Second Baptist Church on June 15, 1980

George Evans Martinez

Joined Second Baptist Church on April 25, 1943

Jessica Dary Elsdon Rybeck

Joined Second Baptist Church on March 27, 2016

and Friends...

Betty Arnold

Martin Leroy Hall