

**MINUTES FROM ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
CREEDE COMMUNITY CHURCH  
FEBRUARY 6, 2022**

The Annual Congregational Meeting took place on Sunday, February 6, 2022, at Creede Community Church, with some participants attending via Zoom. Rhonda Foale, Moderator, welcomed everyone and called the annual meeting to order. A quorum was declared with 23 members and friends attending the meeting. The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

- 2021 Ministry Reports
- Presentation/Vote on 2022 Budget
- Motion to Update Signers for the Church Banking Accounts
- Presentation/Vote on Officers, Deacon, Trustee and Ministry Leader Nominees
- Commissioning and Blessing Officers, Deacons, Trustees and Ministry Leaders

Approval of Minutes from the February 14, 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting

Scott Lamb made a motion to approve the 2021 Annual Congregational Minutes. Creede Hargraves seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

2021 Ministry Reports

Moderator – Rhonda Foale

Rhonda shared that she will be rotating off of the Board, but it was and is her pleasure to be part of this congregation.

Minister – Sarah Linn

It's been a hard couple of years, but everything begins with God's faithfulness. Sarah looked back on how the church dealt with the pandemic 100 years ago but could not find any information. We don't know how God did it, but God did it. The same thing is true today. We don't know how, but God is bringing us through. As hard as it's been, we have the opportunity to respond to the Spirit and be people of generosity and to allow our faith to be more integrated into our daily lives. Things will never be the same, but this is an opportunity to establish a new, better baseline. The goal is not merely to get to the other side but to grow in commitment, faith, joy, and freedom of spirit and to know God more.

Clerk – Lori Heinrich

Lori shared the names of new and returning members, those baptized and those who passed away in 2021. She led in a prayer to remember those we have lost.

## Trustees – Lori Dooley

Margaret Phillips was unable to attend, so Lori Dooley shared in her place. Trustees have planned the budget and opened a Fidelity account to allow parishioners to donate stock, which is a very simple procedure. Thanks to Treasurer Therese Hargraves for making this happen. We have been blessed financially through this pandemic, which allowed us to raise salaries and maintain staff.

## Deacons – Creede Hargraves

Thank you to Bethany Andre, Lauren Sheldrake, Billy Fairchild, Linda Walker and Scotty Lamb for serving this year. Creede Hargraves will serve another term. Lauren Sheldrake will be rotating off, and Carol Pierce will be joining the Deacons. We appreciate all of the deacons for staying in contact with the congregation. Please feel free to reach out to the deacons at any time if they can be of assistance.

## Christian Life Education – Debbie Whitmore

Sunday School has been doing well, but we have had some issues with illness among teachers. We are excited to have Kate Michaels stepping in to lead Sunday School. Lori Heinrich is looking forward to the future of the youth group. It has been well received.

## Mission & Outreach/Helping Hands – Bethany Andre

Thank you to Judy Blanch for her years of leadership. Bethany is looking forward to serving this year. Mission & Outreach supported a fundraiser for Zach Romero's travel expenses, gave \$4000 to mission partners, and held a cross-country jersey sponsorship to provide uniforms for Zuni students. A service trip to Zuni, NM is in the works. Helping Hands has been well funded by the generosity of those in our community, and they were able to provide over \$4000 in aid to those who needed assistance.

## Ladies Aid Society – Lori Dooley

Ladies Aid wondered how they would continue the ministry during COVID. God provided a better financial position than they have ever had, and they have not had to turn anyone away. Lori recently heard someone say that "Ladies Aid is our safety net in Creede" and sees it is a joy and privilege to support people in our community any way they can. The annual rummage sale and bazaar is planned again for July. Thanks to the volunteers who come and do the work. Ladies Aid is looking forward to meeting again in person regularly. Meetings have been changed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month (childcare included) to allow moms and teachers to participate.

## Present 2022 Budget for Congregational Approval

Lori Dooley presented the 2022 Budget on behalf of the Trustees. 2021 Revenues were above budget, and expenditures were below budget. See Attachment 1.

Debbie Whitmore motioned to approve the budget. David Basler seconded. There was no discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion for new list of signers at Del Norte Bank and Community Banks of Colorado

Therese Hargraves made a motion to change the signers for the Del Norte Bank and Community Banks of CO accounts. The motion was seconded by Debbie Whitmore and was approved unanimously.

Election of Officers and incoming Deacons, Trustees, and Ministry Leaders

Rhonda is completing her third term as Moderator and previously served as Vice Moderator, and she was presented with a gift by the church.

The slate of officers, deacons, trustees, and ministry leaders for 2022 was presented (Attachment 2). Doug Hammett-Lair made a motion to accept the 2022 nominations. Therese seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioning & Blessing Officers/Deacons/Trustees/Ministry Leaders

Officers, deacons, trustees and ministry leaders were commissioned.

Tom Schrandt made a motion, seconded by Jana Wilson, to close the meeting at 12:52 pm. Sarah closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Heinrich, Clerk  
Creede Community Church

Attachments: 1. 2022 Budget  
2. Slate of Officers, Trustees, Deacons and Ministry Teams for 2022

ATTACHMENT 1

**Creede Community Church  
Income Statement and Proposed Budget  
For the Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2022**

	2021 Actual	2021 Budget	2022 Proposed Budget
<b>Revenues</b>			
Pledges & Open Plate Offering	119,719.95	120,000.00	120,000.00
Memorial Contributions	100.00	100.00	100.00
Bazaar/Ladies Aids Projects	12,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00
Mission/Outreach Fundraising	2,806.76	-	-
Other Donations and Income	8,645.90	3,750.00	3,000.00
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<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 143,272.61</b>	<b>\$ 132,850.00</b>	<b>\$ 133,100.00</b>
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<b>Expenditures</b>			
Mission and Outreach Expenses	15,672.76	11,600.00	11,600.00
Pastoral Expenses	76,088.74	78,022.10	80,603.84
Ministry Expenses	1,161.57	2,250.00	4,550.00
Church Facilities Expense	20,195.61	24,900.00	26,050.00
Parsonage Facilities Expense	2,754.44	5,300.00	7,700.00
Insurance Expense	7,304.00	7,200.00	7,390.00
Administrative Expense	19,579.52	21,922.00	22,492.27
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<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 142,756.64</b>	<b>\$ 151,194.10</b>	<b>\$ 160,386.11</b>
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<b>Revenue Over/Under Expenditures</b>	<b>515.97</b>	<b>(18,344.10)</b>	<b>(27,286.11)</b>
Carryforward from Prior Years	-	18,344.10	27,286.11
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<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 515.97</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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**Creede Community Church  
Balance Sheet  
As of 12/31/2021**

Cash and Other Current Assets	\$ 161,353.76
Church Building	431,688.56
Parsonage	121,495.69
Fellowship Hall	<u>271,103.64</u>
 Total Assets	 <u><u>\$ 985,641.65</u></u>

Payroll and Other Liabilities	\$ 3,213.53
Fund Balance Beg. of Year	976,912.15
Designated Fund Bal. - Bldg.	5,000.00
Revenue Over/Under Expenditure	<u>515.97</u>
 Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	 <u><u>\$ 985,641.65</u></u>

**Other Funds Summary for the Year ended 12/31/2021**

**Helping Hands Summary**

DN Bank Helping Hands Checking	\$ 5,836.08
 Helping Hands Fund Bal 1/1/21	 3,796.03
Helping Hands Income	5,593.10
Helping Hands Expenses	<u>(3,553.05)</u>
 Net Helping Hands Balance To Date	 <u><u>\$ 5,836.08</u></u>

**Caring Corps Summary**

Caring Corps Checking Account	\$ 3,643.60
 Caring Corps Balance 1/1/2021	 3,532.93
Caring Corps Income	1,251.67
Caring Corp Expenses	<u>(1,141.00)</u>
 Net Caring Corps Balance to Date	 <u><u>\$ 3,643.60</u></u>

**Ladies Aid Society Summary**

Ladies Aid Society Checking/Savings	\$ 16,711.51
 Ladies Aid Fund Balance 1/1/21	 7,918.01
Ladies Aid Society Income	48,346.05
Ladies Aid Expenses	<u>(39,552.55)</u>
 Net Ladies Aid Balance To Date	 <u><u>\$ 16,711.51</u></u>

ATTACHMENT 2

**2022 Officers, Trustees, Deacons & Ministry Teams**  
**Nominations for Congregational Vote in Red**

**Officers:** Moderator: **Jamie McLeroy**  
1-year terms Vice Moderator: **David & Amanda Basler (with one vote, when applicable)**  
Clerk: **Millynn Teal**  
Treasurer: **Tom Schrandt**

**Deacons:** Bethany Andre (2023)  
6 members Billy Fairchild (2023)  
3-year terms Scott Lamb (2024)  
Linda Walker (2024)  
**Creede Hargraves (2025)**  
**Carol Pierce (2025)**  
*Seasonal Deacons may be appointed by the Board to meet needs during the summer months.*

**Worship Committee:** Johanna Gray  
reports to Deacons; Lori Heinrich  
open to more participants Jenny VanRy  
Debbie Whitmore

**Trustees:** John Paysse (2023)  
6 members George Ameel (2023)  
3-year terms Lori Dooley (2024)  
Margaret Phillips, chair (2024)  
**Michele Schrandt (2025)**  
**Jana Wilson (2025)**

**House Committee:** Jana Wilson, chair  
reports to Trustees; Doug Hammett-Lair  
open to more participants Margaret Phillips  
Linda Walker

**Pastor Relations:** David & Amanda Basler, Officer (serving jointly)  
reports to Officers George Ameel, Trustee  
Billy Fairchild, Deacon  
Lauren Sheldrake, Member-at-Large  
Charlene Ameel, Member-at-Large

## Ministry Teams (Continued)

### **Mission & Outreach/ Helping Hands**

reports to the Board  
at least 5 members  
serving 2-year terms  
open to more participants

**Bethany Andre, chair**

Jamie McLeroy  
Margaret Phillips  
Doug Hammett-Lair  
Jana Wilson

### **Ladies Aid Society:**

officers serve 2-year terms  
reports to the Board  
as part of Mission/Outreach

Lori Dooley, president  
Jenny VanRy, vice president  
Caitlyn DiAntonio, secretary  
Linda Walker, treasurer

### **Sewing Sisters:**

reports to Ladies Aid

Sherrie Hosselkus  
and friends

### **Christian Life Education:**

reports to Deacons;  
at least 4 members  
serving 2-year terms  
open to more participants

**Lori Heinrich, chair** (youth group leader)  
**Kate Michaels** (Sunday School coordinator)  
Carol Pierce  
Linda Walker  
Debbie Whitmore  
Rita Odom

### **Safe Church Team:**

works with CLE;  
reports to Moderator

Margaret Phillips, Trustee Representative  
Jody Stroh, Member at Large  
Debbie Whitmore, Christian Ed Representative