

# Our Future is Now!

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## Welcomed New Families

8 Adults

4 Youth

6 Children



## Enjoyed Strong Participation in Fellowship Events



Christmas Brunch packed Fellowship Hall

Pet Blessing well attended



Progressive Dinner

57 Attendees

## Your Generosity Paved the Path for a Very Bright Future

\$586,384!

Goal: \$572,000 →



\$500,000  
\$400,000  
\$300,000  
\$200,000  
\$100,000

Pledge dollars increase **+18%**

Average pledge increase **+13%**

Number of new pledgers **13**

## Innovated our Music Ministry

Welcomed Christopher Cock, Director of Music Ministries



Worship on the Lawn Gospel Music

Concert Series:  
4 Concerts  
420 Attendees



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## A Year of Traditional and New Youth Experiences

**COMMUNITY**  
**Local students relish CPC mission trips**



*Judy Johns Schloegel*  
 a part of—" Sixteen local high-school students went on week-long mission trips this summer. They made a difference not just in the lives of those they helped, but also in their own lives. "I have always been passionate about helping others and building things," said Andrew Peterson, a Darius resident and Hinsdale South junior. "The experiences that we had are unforgettable. "Although this trip was meant for doing work, the relationships we made were amazing." "The memories will forever shape me and change who I am as a person," said Cici Stank of Clarendon Hills, a Hinsdale Central sophomore. "I am forever grateful for this life-altering experience that I was blessed to be

While the purpose of both trips was to undertake service work, all participants felt that they derived so much more from the experience than the homeowners or campers they were serving.

Community Presbyterian Church of Clarendon Hills (CPC) leads and sponsors summer "caravans," as part of Cubes, its high-school ministry program.

Meredith Raab of Clarendon Hills, a Hinsdale Central sophomore, said the caravans exposed her to different life experiences...

PHOTO COURTESY OF JUDY JOHNS SCHLOEGEL  
 Local high-school students in the Cubes youth program at the Community Presbyterian Church of Clarendon Hills went on a mission trip to Camp Courageous in Iowa this past summer.



### Children and Worship



Grace Space Introduced

CPC Kids' Academy  
 Earned Coveted  
 NAEYC Accreditation



**\$42,000**  
 in Mission Giving

Welcomed Syrian refugee family with apartment supplies



Christmas Pageant with 24 Participants

Worship Participation:  
 Total Increased 5%  
 Shifted to More In-Person

% In-Person  
 2023: **63%**  
 2022: **48%**

2023 CPC Income

**\$46,175**

compared to an \$85K budgeted deficit



Vacation Bible School

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A future of hope with two pastors, prioritized youth ministry, pastoral care for all, strong mission giving and a healthy financial foundation

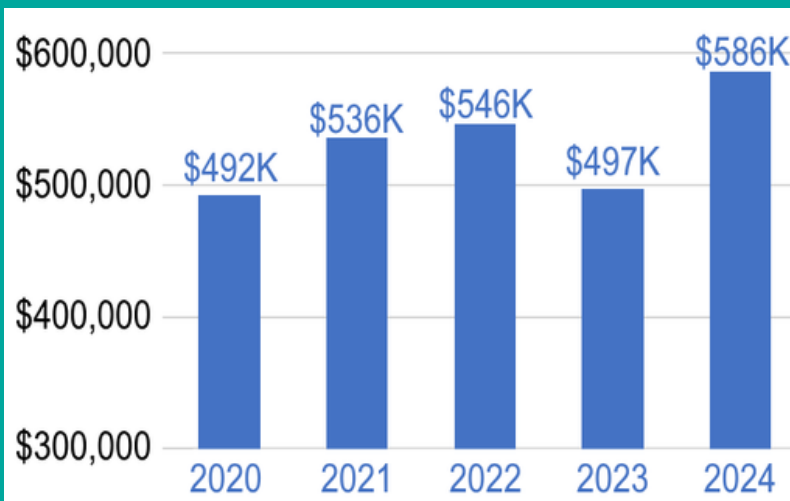
## 2023 Financials and 2024 Budget

	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Actual</u>	<u>2024 Budget</u>
Revenue	\$595,322	\$702,662	\$732,783
Expenses	\$668,476	\$656,487	\$731,555
Income	(\$85,343)	\$46,175	\$1,229

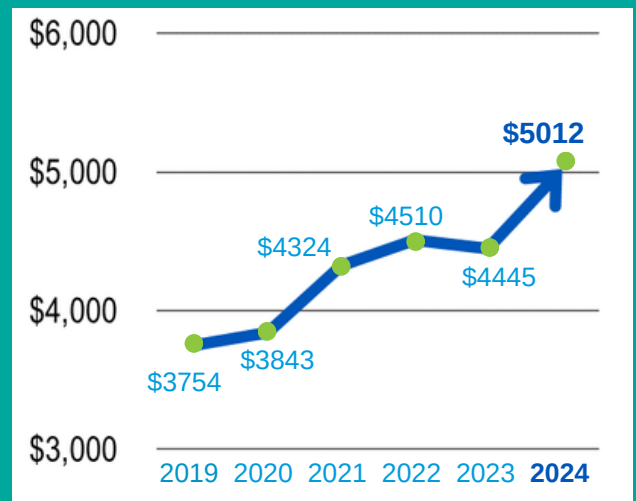
- 2023 Income was \$46,175 versus a planned budget deficit of (\$85,343)
- Actual income benefited from very strong interest income and higher plate giving, along with the execution of the \$50K planned staffing restructuring in the 2023 budget
- Balanced budget planned in 2024, the first in many years and ahead of 5 year plan

## 2024 Pledges

### 2024 Total Pledge Dollars Up 18%



### 2024 Average Pledges Up 13%



**Your unprecedented generosity has led us to an exciting and hopeful future:**

The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee has been formed to call a full-time Associate Pastor to take over when our beloved Pastor Susan is called to her next pastoral ministry.