

Making a Difference

The Hurting Churches Fund is here to help make a difference in the life of the church.

One of our recipients is thrilled to share their story.

“Ozaukee Congregational Church (Grafton, WI) was pleased to have been selected as a recipient of a \$2,500 grant from The Hurting Churches Fund. It has helped us sustain our congregation during an extended pastoral search.”

Whether you are in need of assistance or are in a position to help others, we welcome your participation today!

Mission:

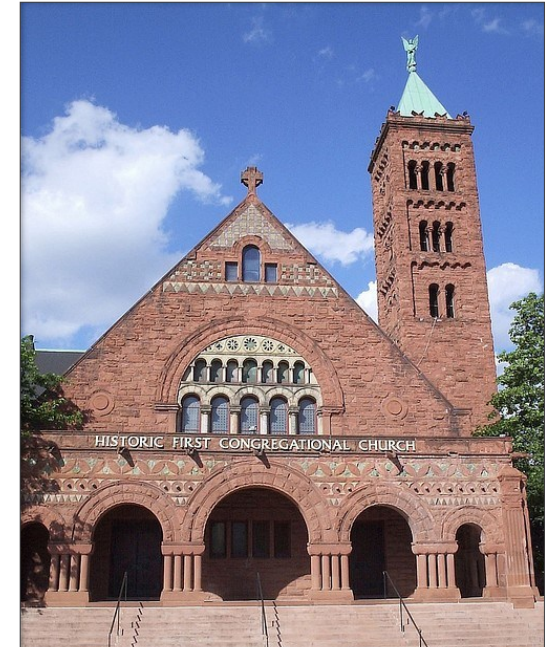
To nurture fellowship among Congregational Christian Churches and to support ministries of the local church in its community and to the world, all in the name of Christ.

Vision:

Vital and healthy Congregational Churches, sharing the love of Jesus the Christ.

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How You Can Help

This fund has been created to help the member churches of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC) through challenging times. The Morgan Park Hurting Churches Fund and 21st Century Pilgrim Club were consolidated to create The Hurting Churches Fund.

Morgan Park Hurting Churches Fund

In 1996, the NACCC received proceeds from the sale of the Congregational Church in Morgan Park, IL. Church members created endowments at the NACCC to directly support member church development/assistance and the Congregational For Theological Studies program. The church's legacy lives on through this generous gift.

21st Century Pilgrim Club

Originally titled the Ten Dollar Club, this program assisted churches in reaching out to other NACCC churches and individuals to ask for their donations for a specific project or need.

In 2014 the opportunity to combine these resources, and create a process by which churches could apply to the NACCC for assistance presented itself. This was a great way to leverage under-utilized funds, in direct support of our member churches.

You must be an active NACCC member church for your application to be considered.

To apply, fill out the application form found on the NACCC website at www.naccc.org or contact Carrie Dahm at the NACCC offices at 414-856-1612. The application form will provide you with specific details on where to send your completed application.

Grants up to \$2,500 per application are available, and repeat applications cannot be made within a 12 month period. A lifetime maximum of \$10,000 per church is imposed.

Approval of grants is made by the Growth Ministry Council (GMC), and based on the recommendation from The Hurting Churches Fund Task Team. The GMC's decision is final.

Churches are encouraged to apply for funds as identified by their church, however, examples of needs are:

- Emergency capital or operations support
- Consultation expenses on matters of critical importance to the church
- Emergency funds when a pastor is ill or incapacitated

Generous donations from individuals and other member churches will help to keep The Hurting Churches Fund healthy and available to those churches who are in need.

Consider a gift today! Contributions up to \$1,000 will be made available for the current year grants. Gifts above \$1,000 will be placed in the Endowment, to help churches in the future.

"We have always strived to support the 21st Century Pilgrim Fund (one of the funds that formed The Hurting Churches Fund) because as important as our history may be, our future is of yet more importance. We enjoy our independence as a congregationally governed church but we also recognize and value our interdependence as well and want to be supportive of others who are living, worshiping and serving in the Congregational Way."

-Rev. Don Mayberry - Pastor
First Congregational Church of South Paris, ME

Use the enclosed card and mail with your contribution to the NACCC Oak Creek Office.

Your generosity will make a difference to those churches in the NACCC that are in need of a helping hand.