



Fenton First Presbyterian Church Newsletter January 2018

Living with Christ, serving the world

Pastor's Article... Happy New Year! It is a remarkable thing that we set aside a date for renewal in our calendars. As a species we seem to need to have regular moments to begin again. The New Year is certainly a moment to celebrate the past year, to expect good fortune and make resolutions for the year ahead.

Our New Year celebrations have ancient roots. Certainly the Scottish tradition of Hogmanay reflects much of our celebrations in the U.S. Along with many European traditions, gift giving and late night parties are all a big part of New Year's. Auld Lang Syne is another long cherished tradition.

The Jewish New Year also carries into modern day celebrations. Rosh Hashanah means the 'head of the year', referring to the beginning of the New Year. The biblical term for this celebration is Yom Teruah which means 'day of shouting/blasting'. Does this remind you of smashing pots and pans at midnight? In Rosh Hashanah worship services there are moments in which the shofar (a ram's horn fashioned into a trumpet like instrument) is sounded, and the image of the shofar is closely related to the entire celebration.

It is also interesting to note that Rosh Hashanah is celebrated in September or sometimes in October, according to the Jewish calendar. This is the time of harvest and gathering, and their celebration is a time of taking stock and rejoicing in what God has done. Our celebrations on the first of January occur in the dead of winter, but after the longest nights have already past and the days are beginning to be longer. Closely linked to the solstice, we celebrate New Year's with hope that the light will return and darkness will not reign forever.

We also reflect on how even the darkest things in our lives can be changed for the better. That is part of our New Year's resolution tradition.

One of the most poignant verses in scripture about being made new is 2 Corinthians 5:17, "if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" I hope that this is a familiar verse because it describes a profound aspect of our faith. We are to 'live by faith and not by sight'(vs 7). And sometimes that might look like we are out of our minds (vs. 13). However we are compelled by the love of Christ to consider ourselves dead with Christ and raised anew. We are raised into a new life with Christ that has got to be the most challenging New Year's resolution I can think of. Since Jesus died for all of us, we should no longer live for ourselves but for Christ. This means that we should not consider those around us from a worldly point of view, but be willing to give to them just as Christ gave to us. This profound perspective is a product of the new creation that is begun in our hearts through Christ's death and resurrected life.

Now that's a New Years Resolution! May God richly bless you this New Year, keep you in his will, and continually be recreating you into a New Creation!

Peace, Pastor Robbie Carnes

Mark Your Calendars

January 1st
Office is Closed

January 6th-7th
Youth Sunday
Planning Lock-In

January 8th
Outreach Communion

January 14th
Youth & Family
Sledding

January 19th
Game Night

January 21st
New Member Class
Restoration Place

January 28th
Youth Group Soup & Talk

★ Mission & Stewardship

Last August we heard from Habitat for Humanity and Becky, a woman whose house we helped build this past October. This is her thank you to all those who prayed, worked and gave.
Way to go FFPC!

Good Morning, I hope this brightens your day today and many more to come!

Last night Asenath and I went over to the new house to start cleaning. We grabbed something to eat on the way out and had dinner together there. At one point while we were eating she disappeared then returned a few minutes later. She had a very thoughtful look on her face that caught my attention immediately. Here is what this little soul said:

“Mom, this house is so beautiful it seems like we shouldn’t live here!” I was stunned. In one way it hurt this mother’s heart that she thought in some way she didn’t deserve to live in this new home, yet on the other hand it warmed my heart to know she was humbled and saw the home as beautiful. I replied yes it is beautiful and we are going to live here in just a few weeks. Then she said “Mom, God loves us way more than just this house you know that, I mean way more, and this is just a little bit of how much he loves us!” My soul had to take that in for a few minutes knowing this just came from my 6 year old daughter..... My heart smiled as I listened to how confidently she knew the love of Christ in her spirit; something that has most definitely been reinforced throughout the process of building this home.

When this process started, I had expectations, yet I didn’t fully know what to expect which was frightening to say the least; funny how the mind works like that. The one thing I knew was that I needed this process to work in both Bryce and Asenath’s life. For Bryce, I needed him to learn how good he is with his hands and planning things out like he used to do as a baby so it would start him on a path to discovering his God given gifts. For Asenath, I needed her to see even without her biological father in her life as he should be she has another Father that will never let her down, one in which she can always depend on. And for both of them, it was so important they would be able to see how good, hopefully Godly men behave and serve others outside of themselves. For me, I needed to be able to show my children no matter how hard life has been over the last 6-7 years for us, my heart has always wanted to give them the best and let it be about them. My goal was that when they walked into their bedrooms for the first time they would feel their mother’s love for them, see their dreams in that room and to know I had worked very hard to give them their hearts desire despite not being financially able to do that for several years. This was another absolutely heart wrenching reality we have faced every year and pain steakingly at Christmas time; this year will be different! I think we have come pretty close to this mother’s goal.



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I have seen unlikely relationships grow, mindsets change, friendships form and God's hand in this daily for many of us.....Little did I know I would be healed in ways I may never share. I was reminded there are truly good hearted men out there and that the human spirit needs to be appreciated to continue being a loving, soft place for people to continue giving from. (As I write I am being reminded to guard your heart because all that you do flows from it) We have been blessed with much more than an affordable home, in fact I think that was probably the smallest blessing in all of this. The larger blessings will come over time and likely be immeasurable for more than my little family of three.

Thank you all for giving us this, for allowing God to work in you and through you when it wasn't necessarily easy to do, when it took allowing faith to take control, and trusting me enough to allow me to do what I knew God was directing me to do. Sometimes we get caught up in the everyday things of life and we lose sight of God's master plan; this process is a wonderful example of how God does exceedingly more than we could ever ask him to do.

I leave you with something God taught me years ago, "If I'm calling you out on a limb with me, it is the safest place you can be."

Many Thanks and Holiday Wishes, Becky, Bryce and Asenath



You may have heard about increased instances of Human Trafficking in the news. Did you know that this happens in our County? As Christians we have a responsibility to act in love and work for justice. The Mission Committee invites you to an informational seminar on this topic to find out how.

Human Trafficking Seminar: Education, Identification, Responding For Adults & Youth

January 21st 2017, from 5-8pm in Fellowship Hall

Speakers include:

Steve Kramer, Michigan State Trooper
Amy Rouleau, Executive Director, Restoration Place
Polly Sheppard, FFPC Member

This Restoration Place Seminar will include:

1. Educating the public on human trafficking
2. How to identify and respond
3. Working with adolescents on prevention and identification; and developing and implementing fundraising activities to provide a home for survivors.

Restoration Place brings the love of God's healing power to those who have been tragically impacted by sexual exploitation ... restoring the hope that has been lost.

Restoration Place will provide long-term aftercare for girls, ages 11-17, who have been abused, neglected, sexually exploited, and specifically those rescued from sex trafficking.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing Our members shared their Christmas Joy with the community and helped the Salvation Army raise some money so that more local families could enjoy Christmas. Our members smiled, sang Christmas carols and greeted shoppers at VG's on Silver Lake Parkway, as well as at WalMart on Saturday, December 9. We were again impressed with the generosity of our community through their donations to the red kettle. The mission committee wants to sincerely thank the many volunteers for making a difference in our community!



Shelter of Flint Mission Opportunity

On Saturday, February 10, 2018 we will car pool from our church at 8:30 am for a workday at the Shelter of Flint from 9 am - 4 pm. Please consider joining us to do a variety of maintenance tasks, which may involve cleaning, painting, sorting, organizing, etc. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested, a sign-up sheet is in Fellowship Hall. Contact Maureen Utt (810-701-2336 or mauutt@charter.net) with any questions.



On Friday, December 8, Lindsey Gibb, Waverly Ritchie, Madeline Gibb, Maris Ferguson, and Zach Coon delivered 107 bags of feminine products to women in need at Carriage Town Ministries. We had a meaningful time meeting some of the women who were very grateful for these packages. On December 21st, we packaged another 184 bags. Lindsey and Waverly



are in contact with the Center of Hope in Fenton to partner with their ministry in offering these products locally. Thank you to those who contributed, and we plan to further expand this mission on an ongoing basis, as well as reaching out to other parts of the community. God bless!

Lindsey & Waverly



★ Administration Committee



Boxes of Giving Envelope will be available in the new Narthex. This year there are boxes of weekly and monthly envelopes for those families that requested them. If you would like to receive a box of weekly or monthly envelopes, please contact Kelly in the Church Office.



Per-capita--This year's initial offering is \$31.00 per person. The initial offering covers the "per capita" for each individual member on our church membership rolls. At the General Assembly level, per capita supports our governance system, publications and leadership development, our ecumenical connections that make us part of the universal church around the globe, and supports mission projects supported by our entire denomination, including missionaries. At the Synod and Presbytery level, per capital supports coordinated mission among the mid councils, the administrative functions of the mid councils, and meeting expenses. This year our church will send over \$13,000 total to the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly; please consider giving to this part of our church's budget in the Initial Offering envelope in your Giving Envelope box.




Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 28 following the 11:00am service. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on the election of Roger Terrill to a three year term as an elder, to approve the 2017 Annual Report, to approve the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2018, and to review the budget for 2018.



End-of-year giving statements will be mailed the 2nd week of January.



There is still time for an end-of-year gift before December 31. Please consider helping us to finish the year strong and prepare ourselves for an exciting 2018 by prayerfully considering an end-of-year financial gift to First Presbyterian Church of Fenton. You can make a donation by giving in Sunday offerings, donating online or mailing a check to the church office postmarked by December 31. Your gift funds ministries that change lives. Thank you for being part of our church family and helping us accomplish the vision God has given us.

A photograph of a Christmas tree with green needles, gold and silver ornaments, and a gold ribbon. In the bottom left corner, a portion of a round clock with Roman numerals is visible, showing the time as approximately 10:10.

THIS IS THE DAY THE
LORD HAS MADE
LET US REJOICE AND
BE GLAD IN IT

★ Christian Education

Winter Bible Studies

★ Beginning on January 14th, the Sunday Morning Class will be studying The Scots Confession of 1560. This often overlooked confession identifies our church with the Nation of Scotland and has a great deal to say about confessing gospel truth in the face of political opposition. Come join us at 10am in the Conference Room.

★ Tuesday Morning Bible Study resumes discussion on The Letter to the Galatians and Ephesians on January 9, 2018. Join Pastor Lindsey in the Conference room from 11am – 12:15pm. Books are available in the office for \$12 each, and newcomers are always welcome.



Men of Fenton First Presbyterian Church: We have two ongoing gatherings a month open to all men of all ages. On the first Saturday of every month, we meet at a local restaurant for fellowship. On the Third Sunday of every month, we meet at a home to share, study and pray together. Currently we are reading “Wild at Heart” by John Eldredge and discussing what it means to be a faithful Man and Christ follower. **All men are welcome;** please provide Pastor Robbie with your email so that you can receive handy reminders.



Prayer Ministry Group

- *Would you like to deepen your prayer life?
- *Do you sometimes receive more clarity from praying with others?
- *Do you ever feel like you need to set aside a special time and place to talk with God?

Our Prayer Ministry Group resumes January 22, 2018 from 10-11am in the prayer corner of the Sanctuary. We will continue to meet the 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month. Please join us as you are able for readings, meditation and prayer!



Monday evening Women's Covenant Group resumes January for a 12 week study on Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy by Beth Moore. Led by Pastor Lindsey, this class meets in the prayer corner of the sanctuary from 6:30-8:30pm January 8 – February 12, breaks through Lent, and resumes April 9 – May 14. Childcare provided upon request – see Tina Ritchie.

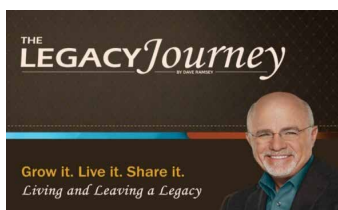
Wednesday morning Women's Covenant Group is discussing Dwelling in God's Peace from the Jesus Calling Bible Study Series by Sarah Young, January 3 – February 21 from 10:00am – 12:00pm in Fellowship Hall. In small groups, participants explore what the Bible has to say about the peace God provides, how they can obtain it, and why Jesus said that peacemakers are blessed. See Tina Ritchie for more information.

McFarlan House Ministry Update: Vanessa Skaff and Michelle Eisert from our Women's Covenant Group are coordinating a visitation schedule to provide conversation, prayer, hymn singing and activities once or twice a month from 1-3pm on specific dates. A meet & greet is scheduled for January 3rd at 1:00pm. Women interested in joining our efforts must fill out a volunteer form and are asked to see Vanessa Skaff.

Book Binders: Book Binders will be meeting January 9th at the home of Margie Congdon, 11300 Fawn Valley, at 7:00 pm. The book for discussion is The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce Fry. The book for February is The Story of Arthur Truluv by Elizabeth Berg. Please call Margie at 810-750-3826 if you have any questions.

FPU Legacy Journey Course

6-8pm Wednesdays: January 3rd – February 14th



Not sure if this class is for you? Try the first class free!

Do you already have Financial Peace? What's the next step and why should you take it?

This seven week, biblically based class leads you deeper into investing, basic estate planning, purposeful living, safeguarding your legacy, and discovering the keys to generational wealth and true generosity. You'll discover a biblical framework for living intentionally now so that later you'll be able to leave a legacy of spiritual and financial well-being for generations to come.

Led by Larry Zimble, class membership material costs \$110 per family and meets in the Conference Room. Register in Fellowship Hall, online at www.daveramsey.com/legacy/, or contact Larry at larry@4squaretax.com.

★ Youth Group



Our annual Triple C night (cookies, cards & crafts) for our Deacon's care receivers is a favorite tradition. We had a great time on December 3 decorating 12 dozen cookies, making pine cone reindeer ornaments, and signing cards. Way to go youth! A big THANK YOU to Jenny Gibb and Tyler Bard for assisting!

Upcoming Youth Group Activities:

Please RSVP on the youth bulletin board for most events.

To get on the youth email list, contact Tina Ritchie at tina@ffpc.org or text 810-701-4136.

Friends are always welcome, and must have a current parental consent form on file for offsite events.

January

January 6th-7th: Youth Sunday Planning lock-in 6pm -10am

January 14th: Sledding/ice skating (weather permitting) noon-3pm at Clover Beach in Linden

January 19th: Congregation Game Night 6-9pm

January 21st: Realities of Human Trafficking Youth/Adult Forum 5-7pm

January 28th: Group, Soup & Talk: Safe Dates follow-up at the Skaff home from 5-7pm

February

February 2nd-3rd: Nub's Nob Ski Trip

February 4th: Souper Bowl of Caring after both worship services & Youth Sunday wrap-up 12:15-1pm/ youth room

February 11th: Youth Group 5-7pm

February 18th: Youth Group 5-7pm

February 25th: Youth Sunday worship 9 & 11am - (rehearsal Sat. 2/24 from 10am -noon)



Youth Bible Study:

2 new options are offered from 9:30-10:30am beginning January 7th

1. Youth in 8-12 grades can sign-up for the Financial Peace University course for teens called Generation Change. Meeting in the Sr. High Youth Room and led by Larry Zimble, this 3 module Bible study is designed to lead teens to a better understanding of God, themselves and their money—and how it all works together. Cost for each 3 lesson student workbook is \$10 each if registered individually, OR register for the entire 9 week course for \$15. The schedule is below:

BE Who God Created You to Be - January 7, 14, & 21
 DO More with Your Money - January 28, February 4 & 11
 GO Write Your Story - March 4, 11, & 18
 (no classes February 18 or 25)

2. Youth in 6-8 grade can sign-up for the Bible Basics class. Meeting in the Jr. High Youth Room and led by Tina Ritchie, this fun interactive class meets January 7 – March 18 (no classes February 18 or 25) from 9:30-10:30am.

Safe Dates – The Conversation Continues

takes place during our next Group, Soup & Talk time at the Skaff home on January 28 from 5-7pm. Parents of teens, youth, and interested adults are invited to join us for soup & salad while we discuss:

- God's desires for our relationships
- Components and development of healthy relationship habits
- Communication strategies
- The dating bill of rights and have the opportunity to create your own

Our desire is for parents to feel equipped to continue this important conversation with their teens, setting Godly expectations in lieu of those offered by a world view. Please see Pastors or Tina with any questions. RSVP on the youth bulletin board or to tina@ffpc.org by January 24.

3 EASY Ways You Can Help Make A Difference

1 DID YOU KNOW...
 The children can leave their offering in the offering plate after the "time with children," before they leave for JAM. Please see one of the Pastors or Tina Ritchie with questions.

2 Direct Your Dollars! Drop off your ENTIRE VG's receipts to the receptacle in Fellowship Hall. This new VG's rewards program benefits the youth scholarship account!

3 Bottle Drive: You may drop off your returnable bottles to the receptacle in the youth room on an ongoing basis.



Nub's Knob Ski Trip for Youth and Families

Friday, Feb. 2 – Saturday, Feb. 3

Join us for some of the finest skiing Michigan has to offer. Youth, families and other adults are welcome. RSVP by 1/28 on the youth bulletin board or contact Mark Gibb at 810-515-0455 for more information. Think Snow!!!

Presbyterian Mission - The YAV Experience

The Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program is a faith-based year of service for young people, ages 19-30, in 22 sites around the world and in the United States. YAVs accompany local agencies working to address root causes of poverty and reconciliation while exploring the meaning and motivation of their faith in intentional community with peers and mentors. YAVs serve during the academic year, August to July.

Program benefits during the YAV year include a regular stipend, housing, transportation assistance and student-loan repayment options throughout the duration of the service year. Follow @yavprogram for program updates & apply online at youngadultvolunteers.org/apply.

Application Dates for 2018/2019 YAV year:

- January 1, 2018 -Round 1- (All sites available, early placement)
- March 1, 2018 – Round 2 – (Most sites available, final date to apply to international sites)
- June 1, 2018 – Round 3 – (National sites only, limited spots available)

★ *Children's Program*

For Children Preschool – 5th Grade

Club 45: For 4th & 5th graders and friends meets again on Sunday, January 14 for sledding and ice skating with youth group. Join us at Clover Beach from noon - 3pm. Pizza lunch will be served. This fellowship and mission group typically meets from 12:30-1:30 once a month in the Art Room. For more information, please see Cherri or Glenn Maxwell.

Upcoming Activities:

January 14th sledding with youth group
February 11th lap blankets for pen pals
March 11th cookies and cards for pen pals

New Nursery & Preschool News:

During the month of January, 9am worship preschoolers will be learning about Samuel. Samuel was the last and the greatest of the faithful judges. He was the one who anointed the first kings of Israel (Saul and David). Our focus will be on Samuel as a child who was called by God. He learned at a very young age that he was special and that even a child can have a sense of call. He grew to be a faithful servant and prophet upheld by God because of his faithfulness. Samuel listened to God and RESPONDED every time God called.



The children will learn that they, too, can hear God's calling. They will think about what it means to be called, ways God calls us, what God sounds like, and what it means to be obedient.

Memory Verse: 1 Samuel 3:10 *Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."*

Worship

January Worship Schedule

As the New Year is upon us and we recover from the holidays we want to reflect on some of the most important relationships in our lives: our spouses. Our world hungers for good examples of commitment, faithfulness and love. We also seek easy answers for our relationships that bounce between autonomy that lacks intimacy and authority that stifles freedom. During this series we will discuss marriage, what the Bible has to say about it and how we might reflect the Gospel and the Love of Christ through our most important relationships.

SUNDAY, January 7th, 2018

Communion Sunday

Sermon: Marriage is not about staying in Love

Scripture: Genesis 2:18-25

9am Worship & Communion

11am Worship & Communion

Layreader: Jennifer Wenzel

Ushers: 9am Dennis & Jo Beardslee
11am Rick Motta, Team #6

Sound Tech: Ina Golden

Coffee Hour: Orange Team

Counters: Martha Smith & Dennis Beardslee

Banker: Janathan Wenzel

9am Nursery/Preschool: Nancy Berger

JAM: Sherry Rourke, Megan Hollopeter & Lauren Janowak

SUNDAY, January 14th, 2018

Sermon: Marriage: Covenant-Keeping Grace

Scripture: Colossians 2:13-15;3:12-19

9:00am Worship

11:00am Worship

Layreader: TBD

Ushers: 9am Dennis & Jo Beardslee
11am Bob & Nessie Brownlee, Team #1

Acolytes: Chloe Muntin & Emily Hollopeter

Sound Tech: Jay Kirkey

Coffee Hour: Yellow Team

Counters: Bob Brownlee & Sara Wrage

Banker: Debera Bard

9am Nursery/Preschool: Nancy Berger

JAM: Sherry Rourke, Peggy Fowler, Janet Stork, Megan Hollopeter & Lauren Janowak

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21st, 2018

Sermon: Marriage Forgiving and Forbearing

Scripture: Colossians 3:12-19

9:00am Worship

11:00am Worship

Layreader: Youth

Ushers: 9am Jack Allen & Greg Dean
11am John & Linda Banks, Team #2

Acolytes: TBD

Sound Tech: Doug Watters

Coffee Hour: Green Team

Counters: Jon O'Connell & Ken Wensel

Banker: Amy Probyn

9am Nursery/Preschool: Nancy Berger

JAM: Sherry Rourke, Peggy Fowler, Janet Stork, Megan Hollopeter & Lauren Janowak

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28th, 2017

Sermon: Marriage: Lion-hearted and Lamb like the Christian Husband

Scripture: Ephesians 5:21-33

9:00am Worship

11:00am Worship

Layreader: Bob Brownlee

Ushers: 9am Jim Lindsay & Mark Jacobson
11am Roy Fetzer, Team #3

Acolytes: Lauren Janowak & Adlin Moore

Sound Tech: Mark Gibb

Coffee Hour: BlueTeam

Counters: Shirley Israel & Julie Jacobson

Banker: Ellen Horton

9am Nursery/Preschool: Nancy Berger

JAM: Sherry Rourke, Megan Hollopeter & Lauren Janowak



Lenten Simple Meals Returns: Join us Wednesday evenings in Fellowship Hall February 21 – March 21 for a simple meal of soup & salad beginning at 5:45pm. From 6:30-7:30 we will discuss Walter Brueggemann's book Praying the Psalms, concluding each evening with a vespers service.



Who said Communion just happens on Sunday mornings? The next date is Monday, January 7th at 1:00pm in the Sanctuary. Join us for a shorter Communion service, filled with energetic hymn singing, a shortened version of the Sunday sermon, and the bread and juice/wine served in the pews. We're trying to make this a "barrier free" worship experience--with large print bulletins, amplified speaking, and helpers to assist with walkers, wheelchairs, or to just lend a hand. Come for worship, stay for fellowship around tables in the Fellowship Hall. For questions or rides, please call Dave Eshleman or the Church Office.

★ *Let's Celebrate*

BIRTHDAYS

John Hodgkin	Jan 1	Gregory Bradley	Jan 18
Jim Lindsay	Jan 1	Sarah Collier	Jan 18
Mitchell Vogel	Jan 1	Vicky Graham	Jan 19
Marlo Howieson	Jan 3	Greg Ruppert	Jan 19
Jeanne Cupp	Jan 4	Heidi Ritchie	Jan 20
Dick Berger	Jan 6	David Fisher	Jan 24
Jim Carter	Jan 6	Terrie Fisher	Jan 24
Bill Brandon	Jan 8	Krystal Johnson	Jan 27
Carolyn Post	Jan 8	Paula Glomski	Jan 28
Linda McCleary	Jan 10	Joyce Guilbault	Jan 29
Nancy Parkin	Jan 11	Heidi Roberts	Jan 29
Pam Coffin	Jan 13	Toni Ward	Jan 29
Nikki Black	Jan 15	Florence Tencza	Jan 31
Barbara LaPointe	Jan 16		



ANNIVERSARIES

Rog & Sherry Zollars	Jan 8 1956
David & Peg Rath	Jan 19 1974
Bruce & Peggy Fowler	Jan 22 1977
Jim & Billie Morris	Jan 24 1959
Bruce & Pam Coffin	Jan 25 1974
Jack & Pat Allen	Jan 27 1973

★ *Financial Updates*

Treasurer Report for Administration/Session November 2017 (with on line giving)

	Actual	YTD	Budgeted YTD
Income	\$ 20,914.24	\$ 300,658.55	\$ 313,230.00
Expenses	-22,728.72	- 270,601.13	\$ 313,230.00
Short	\$ 1,814.48	(over) \$ 30,057.42	

November budgeted income & expense was: \$26,103.00

Building Fund-Completing the Miracle (6/1/16-5/31/19)
Report As of November 30, 2017

We would like to recognize and THANK our members for their faithful giving to the Building Fund over MANY YEARS!

Pledged	\$351,941.00
Received to date:	\$215,001.72
Mortgage Remaining:	\$367,336.06
Building Fund	
Building Account Balance:	\$21,425.97

JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR OFFICE CLOSED	2 6:30pm - 8:00pm Congregational Life Meeting, CR 7:00pm - 8:45pm New Member & Outreach Meeting, YR	3 8:00am-12:00pm Men's Work Day 10:00am - 12:00pm Women's Covenant Group, FH 6:00pm - 8:00pm The Legacy Journey, CR 6:30pm - 7:00pm Lamplight Choir, DR 6:30pm - 7:30pm Bell Choir, CHR 7:00pm - 7:30pm Illuminate Choir, DR 7:45pm - 9:30pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary	4 6:30pm-8:00pm Mission & Stewardship Meeting, CR	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6 8:00am - 10:00am Men's Covenant Group 6:00pm - 10:00am Youth Sunday Planning Lock-In
7 Youth Sunday Planning Lock-In Communion Sunday 9:00am Worship Service 9:30am-10:30am Youth Bible Study, YR 11:00am Worship Service 12:30pm-1:30pm Blood Pressure Check, FH	8 1:00pm - 2:00pm Outreach Communion Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall 1:00pm - 2:00pm Knitting Group YR 4:30pm - 5:30pm Tiger Den 6, FH 6:30pm-8:30pm Women's Covenant Group Sanctuary 7:00pm - 8:00pm Den 4, YR 7:00pm - 9:00pm Boy Scouts, FH	9 11:00am - 12:15pm Bible Study, CR 7:00pm Book Binders, Off Site 6:00pm - 8:00pm Christian Education Meeting, CR	10 8:00am-12:00pm Men's Work Day 10:00am - 12:00pm Women's Covenant Group, FH 4:00pm-4:30pm All Staff Meeting, CR 4:30pm - 6:00pm Worship Committee Meeting, CR 6:00pm - 8:00pm The Legacy Journey, CR 6:30pm - 7:00pm Lamplight Choir, DR 6:30pm - 7:30pm Bell Choir, CHR 7:00pm - 7:30pm Illuminate Choir, DR 7:45pm - 9:30pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary	11 7:00pm-8:00pm Den 2, FH 7:00pm-8:00pm Den 3, FH	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13 Fellowship Hall Unavailable
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