

Circleville Presbyterian Church's Mission

We are a fellowship that exists to glorify God and share God's grace.

Our Vision...

We glorify God by:

- *Providing various styles of worship.*
- *Living the teachings of Jesus and doing life together in Christian Fellowship*

We share God's grace by:

- *Identifying and responding to the needs of others.*

Our Slogan...

"Sharing God's Grace"

2018 ANNUAL REPORT
Annual Meeting
February 10, 2019

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2019

Session

Moderator – The Rev. Joel A. Escala

Clerk – Carla Mavis

Class of 2019

Julie Calder

Susanne Hardin

Carla Mavis

Emily Smith

Class of 2020

Nancy Baldinger

Tom Dixon

Marian Hallum

Bob Sneed

Class of 2021

Alison Davis

Jenny Ray

Paula Thomerson

Betsy Weller

Deacons

Moderator – Nate Smith

Class of 2019

Melissa Gerland

Doyle Painter, Jr.

Meg Rorick

Nate Smith

Class of 2020

Jenna Acklin

Julie Cline

Al Kershaw

Brian Weller

Class of 2021

Erin Crego

Marlee Martin

Marcia Smith

Donna Solovey

Trustees

President – John Ankrom

Class of 2019

John Ankrom

Larry & Roxanne Davis

Ron & Kathy Studebaker

Class of 2020

Curtis Crego

Alice Harker

Al Sheldon

Class of 2021

Ken Hall

Bob Parker

Darrell Smith

Pastor – Joel A. Escala

Treasurer - Bob Sneed

The Presbyterian Church

Circleville, Ohio

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February 10, 2019
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ECCLESIASTICAL AND CORPORATION CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CIRCLEVILLE OHIO

February 18, 2018

CALL TO ORDER BY MODERATOR Rev. Joel Esala TIME 12:37 pm

CALL FOUND TO BE IN ORDER: Call for meeting was validated by the Clerk of Session, Darrell Smith, who stated that the required two announcements of the meeting had been properly given on two previous Sundays.

QUORUM PRESENT: CLERK stated that a quorum of 56 members (at least 10% of membership per by-laws) were present and the meeting was declared open.

MEETING OPENED WITH PRAYER BY MODERATOR: Rev. Joel Esala

Memorial Service was held for those members who entered the Church Triumphant in 2017

Elizabeth Estes, Franklin Estes, Myron Gearhart, Rosemary Hughes, Thomas Harker,
Alfred Johnson, Mary K May, Raymond Riehmiller, Joanne Schlegler

Appreciation of Church Officers was given to those officers whose terms ended December 31, 2017.

Elders: Wallace Higgins, Darrell Smith, William Richards, Andrew Solovey
Deacons: William Adkins, Lynn Kraus, Libby Rushley, Kim Williams
Trustees: Jack Mader, Robert Parker, Paula Thomerson, Grace Moore

Recognition of New Member was done.

Ralph Mosley, Bonnie Mosley

Recognition of Confirmation Class was done.

Max Acklin, Allison Weller, Katie Sauerbrun, Reese Sauerbrun, Victoria Brown,
Keller Clouse, Michael Clark, Hannah Johnson, Drew Tomlinson

Review of 2017 annual ministry reports as printed and distributed was done and questions answered.

2017 Finance Reports – Robert Sneed reviewed the financial reports and answered questions.

2018 Presentation of Budget – Charles Hedges reviewed the 2018 budget as approved by Session. He answered questions and also reported that Session had approved doing a Capital Campaign in 2018 that would raise funds to eliminated the current debt in 3 years. Steve Thomerson has agreed to chair this campaign.

A motion was made by Fred Mavis and seconded by Steve Spicer to approve the ministry reports and Finance reports. *Motion Passed*

ELECT NOMINATING COMMITTEE 2018:

5 Nominations from the floor (4 regular/1 alternate)

1. Currently Serving Elder – (to be elected by session)
2. Judy Corbett
3. Jennifer Sneed
4. Marilyn Spence
5. Doyle Painter
6. Alternate: Steve Spicer

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR: no other nominations made

NOMINATIONS CLOSED WITH MOTION TO ELECT.

MOTION BY: Charles Hedges 2ND: Bob Parker

Motion Passed

READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2018
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.

MOTION BY: Bob Sneed 2ND: Alice Harker

Motion Passed

ADJOURN WITH PRAYER BY MODERATOR: Rev. Joel Esala AT 1:12 PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Darrell Smith

CLERK OF SESSION/SECRETARY OF THE CORPORATION

**MEMORIAL SERVICE
ANNUAL MEETING**

February 18, 2018

Church members deceased during 2017:

F. Alfred Johnson	(1)
George Grigg	(2)
Betty Estes	(1)
Frank Estes	(1)
Edith Downing	(2)
Rosemary Hughes	(1)
Mary K. May	(1)
Lois Hefelfinger	(2)
Joanne Schlegler	(1)
Jasper Hedges	(3)
Tom Harker	(1)
Ray Riethmiller	(1)
Myron Gearhart	(1)
George Wilson	(3)

Other friends and family may be mentioned at this time.

Hymn of Memorial:

*For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

(Over)

Unison Prayer:

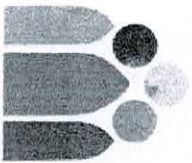
O God, before Whom generations rise and pass away: we praise You for all your servants who, having lived this life in faith, now live eternally with You. Especially we thank you for these children of God, for the gift of their lives, for the grace You have given, for all in them that was good and kind and faithful. We thank You now that for them death is past, and they have entered the joy You have prepared.

Almighty God, who called us from death to life; we give ourselves to You; and with the church through all the ages, we thank You for Your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

(1) - *Active Member*

(2) - *Former Member*

(3) - *Inactive Member*



Circleville Presbyterian
Sharing God's Grace

Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Circleville, Ohio, expresses its thanks and appreciation to:

SESSION	DEACONS	TRUSTEES
Class of 2017	Class of 2017	Class of 2017
Wallace Higgins	Bill Adkins	Jack Mader
Bill Richards	Lynn Kraus	Bob Parker
Darrell Smith	Libby Rushley	Paula Thomerson
Andy Solovey	Kim Williams	Grace Moore

who have served faithfully and effectively on the Boards of The Presbyterian Church of Circleville and whose terms of office are now completed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

A copy of this resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Congregational Meeting.

AND FURTHER THAT:

A copy of this resolution be placed in the hands of each retiring board member.


The Rev. Joel A. Esala


Darrell Smith, Clerk of Session

*Dated this Eighteen day of February, in the year of our Lord,
Two Thousand Eighteen*

Circleville Presbyterian Church 2018
Pastor's Report
Rev. Joel A. Esala

Last year at our annual meeting, I outlined three professional goals for 2018. They were to listen, conserve and innovate together. I will report on the outcome of those goals before looking ahead.

Listen—Having spent over a year now at this wonderful church, I have an observation to share with you: *Circleville Presbyterian Church is a New School Church with an Old School Feel*. What do I mean by that? Historically the terms “Old School/New School” refer to a mid 18th century debate in the Presbyterian Church wherein Old School churches were more concerned with doctrinal purity than cooperation and social witness. The New School churches were less strict doctrinally and often took the risky stance of supporting the abolition of slavery. Circleville Presbyterian was only one of two New School congregations in all our Presbytery—everyone else went Old School. That national division led to two Presbyterian churches in Circleville for 44 years until their reunion in in 1882. While that specific controversy has long since died, the spirit of New School Presbyterianism lives on in our church today. After nearly 200 years, we remain rooted in historic Christianity while staying open to new ideas. We regularly cooperate with other churches in mission and feel strengthened by our differences. We have Sunday School classes that teach diverse understandings of what it means to follow Christ, and we are engaged in social witness through the Community Kitchen, the Hope House and many other efforts aimed at bringing good news to all. Our congregation is firmly rooted in the life of our Presbytery and national church, having sent our fourth commissioner to the General Assembly of the PCUSA in 2018. Today, our denomination is less concerned with doctrinal purity than social witness. In other words, it is more important to live the teachings of Christ than ensure we all think the same way. The recent addition of the Belhar Confession to our Book of Confessions reflects this approach. In this regard, Circleville Presbyterian Church is right at home in the PCUSA. That said, our church has an old school feel, which is wonderful. Oxford Dictionary defines old school as a noun, “used, usually, approvingly, to refer to someone or something that is old-fashioned or traditional.” Through our worship services, beautiful stained-glass windows, a renovated organ and marvelous chancel and bell choirs, we have an old school feel, and I love it. We care for our traditions, even as we remain open to a changing world. Perhaps a better way phrase this observation is: *Circleville Presbyterian Church is rooted and reaching*. We are rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ, in Presbyterianism, in our community, and in our love for one another. In addition, we reaching for justice and the kingdom of God. We are reaching out to an-ever changing world, sharing good news with all. As I've listened to you, this is what I've heard over the past year.

Conserve—From my first Sunday, it was clear to me that so much of what is happening at our church is good and needs to be conserved. My approach has been, if it's working, don't mess with it. I look at our life together and hear the voice of God from Genesis 1 saying, “It's good! It's good! It's very good!” The love we have for one another and the heart to serve our

community is both rare and precious. What Rev. Donald Mitchell said years ago has been proven true, “You can accomplish a great deal if you don’t care who gets the credit.” My what our church has accomplished, and God gets all the credit! For nearly 30 years now, we have fed anyone who is hungry in Circleville. Three nights a week, we partner with churches and community groups to ensure that the hungry are fed. This is something we must conserve. In the spirit of conservation, it is time to begin preparations for our church’s Bicentennial Celebration coming up in 2022. The team is already being formed, and if you want to be a part of it, let me know. There is so much to celebrate!

Innovate Together—My final goal was to innovate together. In 2018, our church partnered with others to open the Hope House of Pickaway County so that homeless men and their families have somewhere to sleep. Our church has contributed financially, with leadership and volunteers. There is much more to be done to ensure Hope House becomes a stable source of emergency housing, but I’m proud of what we have accomplished thus far.

Additional innovations in 2018 include an incredible Thanksgiving Eve Meal where members of the church and Community Kitchen came together, broke bread and shared in the Lord’s Supper. I hope we can continue to build mutual relationships with those we serve, for it is God who feeds us all. At the initiation of our Evangelism Team, a new podcast is in production entitled, *The Bad Calvinists*. Hosted by Rev. Gray Marshall of First Presbyterian in Washington Court House, Rev. Jason Link of First Presbyterian in Chillicothe, and me, *The Bad Calvinists* is a lively discussion of what it means to be Presbyterian in a changing world. It will be released soon, and I cannot wait to share it with you! Finally, in the spirit of innovating together, our church is forming a Green Team, whose goal will be to help our church better care for God’s earth in worship, education, facilities and outreach. Becoming a greener church will provide economically savings and serve as a great witness to our community. If you wish to be a part of making our church green, please let me know. However we choose innovate, we will do so together.

Looking ahead to 2019, my goals remain the same: listen, conserve and innovate together. Fools rush in and quickly change things but the fearful remain paralyzed. We are neither foolish, nor paralyzed. As we look to the future, we do so firmly rooted in who we are and boldly reaching to who God is calling us to be. What an honor it is to be a part of this church.

Grace and peace,

Rev. Joel A. Esala

**REPORT OF CLERK OF SESSION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018**

Membership as of December 31, 2017	265
Received on Profession of Faith.....	1
Received on Reaffirmation of Faith.....	3
Received on Certificate of Transfer.....	0
Received on Confirmation.....	0
Members transferred to other churches.....	3
Members deceased.....	5
Members removed from rolls at their request.....	2
Members removed from rolls by action of Session.....	0
Members changed to active status.....	0
Membership as of December 31, 2018.....	259

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED

Jane Chumley, Michael Friend, Nancy Ott, Franklin Seimer

MEMBERS DECEASED

Ish Gearhart-Michelson, Gwen Painter, Helen Rattray, Dorothy Sampson, Franklin Seimer

BAPTISMS

Michael Fiend, Evangeline Loconti

ORGANIZATION OF SESSION TEAMS AND BOARDS FOR 2017

Teams of Session

Communication and technology: Emily Smith, Myron Rorick, Marian Hallum
 Congregational Care and Nurture: Julie Calder
 Discipleship and Spiritual Formation: Carla Mavis, Julie Calder
 Facility Care: Myron Rorick, Darrell Smith
 Outreach and Evangelism: Andy Solovey
 Mission: Clare Hall, Susanne Hardin
 Stewardship and Finance: Charlie Hedges, Thomas Dixon, Robert Sneed
 Worship: Carla Mavis, Robert Sneed

Standing Teams

Nominating: Andy Solovey, Susanne Hardin
 Personnel: Steve Johnson, Carla Mavis, Nancy Baldinger
 Clerk of Session: Darrell Smith

Other Assignments

Liturgist: rotates monthly
 Presbytery delegate: Carla Mavis

Terms of Office Changes

Elders going off Session at the end of 2018 were Charles Hedges, Myron Rorick, Stephen Johnson,
Clare Hall

Newly elected elders beginning their term in January 2018 are Alison Davis, Jenny Ray,
Paula Thomerson, Betsy Weller

Brown Memorial Board

Darrell Smith, Teresa Ankrom

EMERGENCY CLEARINGHOUSE

Darrell Smith

CUSH Board

John Ankrom, Doris Gillespie, William Fisher

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Smith

Clerk of Session - 2018

Communication and Technology

January 2019

Updates

New Helpers: In 2019, Jenna Acklin has joined our team via her new responsibility as a Deacon. We look forward to training Jenna to eventually operate all equipment and be included in the weekly building rotation. Meg Rorick has also “shadowed” Myron running the computer on Sunday mornings.

Schedule: A schedule of workers continues to be created for a 3 month period of time where team members rotate varies jobs such as:

1. building the Sunday service via our software, Media Shout
2. running the computer on Sunday mornings,
3. operating the sound station or,
4. recording the 11 o'clock service with our camcorder

We currently have one team member in the balcony during the 9am alternative service to operate computer and sound.

Builders: We continue to have 3 “builders” (Rod Smith, Myron Rorick and Emily Smith) that weekly compose both Sunday services (9am and 11am) based on the bulletin sent out via email through the church secretary and pastor.

Computer: At this time we have 4 computer operators (Rod, Myron, Emily and Carol Higgins) that rotate Sunday’s in the balcony operating the computer during the service. The team agrees that the “builder” and “computer” positions are best done by the same person when feasible, allowing the team member who built to be more familiar with the slides for Sunday morning, making the flow of the service, flow.

Sound: In addition to those already listed, Bill Adkins and Al Kershaw operate the sound station on Sundays at 11am. While adjusting various microphones (pulpit, lapel, handheld, piano, and organ), this team member also records the audio of the service on CD’s and is responsible for the master, overall volume

of the sanctuary speakers. The CD's are then duplicated (3) and given to church secretary for our shut-ins.

Camera: The Camera operator is in charge of recording the audio and visual of the service; zooming in (on pulpit, during young Christians message, or during choir anthem) and out when appropriate. The service is then condensed and uploaded. We continue to invite our youth to be involved with camera operation.

Website: The full video of the 11am Sunday service is uploaded to website. Under the "Media" tab, we have the most recent 5 Sundays for anyone to view, in full. We continue to post the Presline, Church Calendar and highlight special events when material is given to us.

Facebook: Continue to promote both church and community events. Marian Hallum has been a great addition to our Technology Team and assists with pictures and Facebook posts.

Equipment: In July, we needed to replace the projector bulb in the front projector. Live!Technologies ordered and replaced bulb.

Expenses: Wix (our website host) cost around \$250 per year. From time to time, we ask Live! Technologies to come and assist with various questions that come up with sound, projector, etc. New praise songs continue to be added to our video library almost monthly for the 9am service. We have cancelled our subscription to DropBox.

GOALS for 2019

1. Podcast sermons
2. Improve communication and outreach on social media
3. More pictures of church events on both fb and church website.

"The Circleville Presbyterian Church Congregational Care Team follows the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ by providing comfort, support, encouragement, and fellowship." This is the mission statement of the Congregational Care Team. This team consists of members Sarah Baehr, Judy Corbett, Alison Davis, Marcia Davis, Doris Gillespie, Alice Harker, Mollie Hedges, Anne Keckley, Lynn Kraus, Margaret Parker, Meg Rorick, Marcia Smith, Donna Solovey, Sue Twining, and Elder Julie Calder. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of every month, and enjoy a meal and fellowship together, after serving Community Kitchen.

The Congregational Care Team supports our church family in many ways. Cards and personal notes are sent continually on behalf of the team, to celebrate joys as well as acknowledging times of sorrow or personal struggles, to let those going through hardships know that we are thinking of them.

Our Shepherds Program has the church family divided into flocks led by a shepherd, who keeps in touch with their flock and provides communication throughout the year. This program would not be possible without the fantastic shepherds who serve our congregation.

We recognize new members with a gift bag and name badge, and also recognize members of the confirmation class and high school graduates with a small gift.

A small loaf of bread is taken to those who visit us during worship with an invitation to please return. We bring timely health concerns to the attention of our congregation when needed, and the Care Note Display outside of the office is maintained with pamphlets on various topics affecting our communities today.

Fellowship for all ages is promoted and supported by this team. Coffee Hour supplies are provided for use by the hosts of Coffee Hour, and we thank the members of Session, Deacons, Shepherds, and the congregation who always willingly provide refreshments for our time of fellowship following worship. The Congregational Care Team assists the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation Team with the Advent Brunch, and we sponsor Christmas Caroling, which is a wonderful family event. We visit the sages of our church, carol, and give them a small loaf of bread. Everyone then returns to Campbell Hall for a soup and sandwich supper.

The Congregational Care Team sponsors several fundraising projects throughout the year. We provided a luncheon for Rural Urban Day, which is a Rotary event in February; Pickaway County Bar Association Luncheon in April, and a breakfast for the Rotary Law Day in May. These events raise money which has allowed us to self-fund most of our projects. In 2019, we plan on donating money to the Mission Team, to help with some of their projects.

The Congregational Care Team is active and involved. Our work would not be possible without the support of the entire congregation. We thank you for all you do, and welcome any ideas as to how we can better serve.

DSF Discipleship and Spiritual Formation Annual Report 2018

It has been a year of good things happening in our team. Many of the team members have filled numerous positions and jobs to keep all the opportunities going smoothly. We had a great time installing our new pastor in February, collected a record amount of donations in our Souper Bowl challenge and held a spring tea for the young and young at heart Presbyterians to spend time in conversation and fun.

Sunday School classes continue for all ages and have enjoyed steady attendance. We are currently looking for more opportunities to share with each other and the community.

We again participated in Vacation Bible School in June with 5 community churches and had great continued attendance and volunteer participation from our church. Our member volunteers headed up 2 of the 5 rotation stations for each evening's activities,

Team members have provided multiple opportunities for fellowship with lunches after church and brunches for special seasons.

Our youth continue to be very active in the life of the church, participating in special events, like the Easter Egg hunt. Serving as technical assistance for worship, liturgists, ushers and child care helpers whenever the opportunity is needed. We are blessed to have such willing mature young adults participate in the life of our congregation.

In October we welcomed Katie Keesbury as our new director of Christian Education. She has been busy learning the ropes and getting to know all of our youth and adult volunteers.

As 2018 came to a close, it was a special time for everyone to enjoy a Christmas play and the youth lighting the Advent wreath with Pastor Joel leading them.

Every week we have wonderful lessons, energetic teachers and fellowship that creates friends and leaders for our church.

As we look forward to 2019 our routine is well established and enjoyable, but there is always room for more fun, fellowship and faithful learning experiences. If you have an idea of something to try, please pass it along to a member of the team. Becoming disciples is a lifelong learning experience that we all benefit from.

Thanks to all of you from the bottom of my heart for the support and love that you have given to our youngest members and youth. Our young people benefit from your continued good word and encouragement as they step out to lead and serve.

Carla Mavis

Chair of the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation Team.

Evangelism Team 2018

During 2018 the Evangelism Team (Jenny Ray and Andy Solovey) worked with Pastor Joel on a multi-church podcast project. The project is currently in process and will be revealed in 2019. It entails the coming together of Pastors' Gray Marshall (The Presbyterian Church in Washington Court House), Jason Link (First Presbyterian Church in Chillicothe), and our own Pastor Joel.

This trio of Pastors treat their congregations to dynamic, thought provoking sermons on a weekly basis. At the same time, because of time constraints they sometimes touch on subject matter that could use more elaboration. The objective of the podcast is for the Pastors to sit with one another and further develop ideas that they have presented in their sermons. They will discuss such matters as interpretations of difficult Bible passages, Biblical literalism, and other Bible related issues that many of us wonder about. At this point, they have taped several podcasts. During the coming months we will post them on the internet and inform you about how to find them. This will give you the opportunity to listen into the Pastors' enlightening discussions and share them with family, and friends.

MISSION 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

“Through God’s grace we open doors for opportunities to share ourselves and our blessings.”

The Mission Team seeks to help those in our community and beyond by supporting local programs and those of the larger Presbyterian Church. The dedicated members who gave of their time and talents were Co-chair Susanne Hardin and members Teresa Ankrom, Melissa Gerland, Alice Harker, Marilyn Spence, Sue Twining, Kim Williams and Sam Wilson.

The funds used by Mission include the allotment from the church budget and a portion of the Mission Reserve which is derived from non-designated Personal Mission Giving, our portion of two of the Special Offerings, donations from the Deacons and the Grigg Mission Endowment dividend. We also sponsored a breakfast following worship on July 29th to benefit Hope House, the recently opened shelter for men and families.

As in past years, the largest part of the budget went to utility assistance. Sarah Baehr, Alice Harker, Doyle Painter, Sue Twining and I met with those seeking assistance on Wednesday mornings from 9-11am. For many of those we helped, it was their first time to need help and all were grateful for what was provided.

Mission oversees the four PCUSA Special Offerings and determines the distribution of the funds our congregation is allowed to retain from the Pentecost (40%) and the Peace and Global Witness (25%) Offerings. We gave our portion of the Pentecost Offering to the Foundations for Youth program and our portion of the Peace and Global Witness Offering was given to Haven House.

We continued to support three PCUSA missionaries, Dr. Daniel and Elizabeth Turk who serve in Madagascar and Reverend Catherine Day who serves in Rwanda. We offered to pay the fee for up to two members of the congregation to go on the Scioto Valley Presbytery mission trip to Webster Springs, West Virginia. Gift cards for gasoline, groceries at Discount Grocery and meals at Subway and Little Caesar’s were purchased for those who come to the church for help other than utility assistance.

The congregation responded generously when asked to support relief efforts by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in those areas affected by the hurricanes in the fall of 2018.

We sponsored two drives to collect clothing for the children of the county. We collected underwear and socks for the beginning of the school year. With the donation of needed items and cash, a total of 905 pairs of underwear and socks were delivered to Pickaway County Community Action Agency (PICCA). We also collected coats and pajamas in November. We again partnered with PICCA to distribute these items and the

Pickaway County Welcome Center provided an additional drop-off site. Your gifts of coats, pajamas and cash allowed us to deliver 39 coats and 47 pajamas.

We donated \$600 to three county programs which provide weekend food packs for their students who would otherwise be hungry. We gave a Walmart gift card to a Logan Elm family who lost their home in a fire.

We supported other groups by giving to the Community Kitchen, Scioto Valley Habitat for Humanity, Pickaway Senior Center's Meals on Wheels, Circleville Community Mission, the Emergency Clearing House (Food Pantry), Huckleberry House, the Food Truck, Oaks United and The Refuge. Huckleberry House helps homeless teens in Columbus and was opened by a former member of our church; the Food Truck provides free breakfasts in several low-income parts of the community; Oaks United is an ecumenical mission in Vinton County that provides students with weekend meals; and The Refuge is a faith-based recovery program.

Sam Wilson and Don Kadunc helped on a Scioto Valley Habitat for Humanity building site in Clarksburg that got off to a late start. Work will continue in 2019 and volunteers are always welcomed. Contact Sam Wilson for more information.

Mission also brought together a group of volunteers who have been helping at Hope House. Elinor Coil, Alice Harker, Meg Kadunc, Doyle and Rita Painter, Meg Rorick, Sue Twining and I prepare breakfast two days a week. Ken Hall has helped the staff during the early evening hours. Anyone interested in helping can contact Sam Wilson or myself.

The new year will bring changes to the scope of Circleville Presbyterian Mission. We thank you for your generous support and we ask for your prayers as we seek God's will in the coming year.

If you would like to be part of Mission, please contact one of the members. All are welcome!

Peace,
Clare Hall, Chair

2018 MISSION TEAM FINANCIAL REPORT

BUDGETED GIVING

Emergency Assistance	\$11,317.43
Circle of Light (Food Truck Ministry)	250.00
Circleville Community Mission	250.00
Community Kitchen (Thanksgiving and Christmas bags of food)	334.94
Emergency Clearing House (Food Pantry)	250.00
Scioto Valley Habitat for Humanity	250.00
Senior Citizens Center (Meals on Wheels)	250.00
Mound Street Food Drive ad	173.44
Motel overnights	315.18
Emergency Gift card assistance	340.00
Scioto Valley Presbytery, Mission	\$ 6,500.00
Scioto Valley Presbytery, Mission trip fee	350.00
PCUSA Missionaries	1,000.00
(Pastor Catherine Day in Rwanda and Dr. Daniel and Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar)	
Huckleberry House	250.00
Oaks United	250.00
Groveport Presb Church (roof fund)	200.00
Bus ticket for couple needing help	148.90
Rental deposit assistance	<u>75.00</u>
	\$22,504.89

MISSION RESERVE GIVING

Gift card for Logan Elm family whose home was lost in a fire	\$ 150.00
Rent Assistance	500.00
Food for Students Backpack (three programs)	600.00
Hope House	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$ 2,250.00

CONGREGATIONAL GIVING

Underwear and Socks (cash donations)	\$ 384.24
Coats and Pajamas (cash donations)	403.11
PCUSA Disaster Assistance (Hurricane relief)	1,645.00
Hope House Breakfast (cash donations)	<u>\$ 1,661.00</u>
	\$ 4,093.35

DESIGNATED PERSONAL MISSION GIVING
(distributed as directed)

\$ 8,335.25

SPECIAL OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Joy Offering (2017)
One Great Hour of Sharing
Pentecost
Peace and Global Witness

\$ 1,524.00
1,531.98
1,015.42*
719.00*
\$ 4,790.40

TOTAL FROM CONGREGATION

\$17,219.00

TOTAL MISSION GIVING FOR 2018

\$41,973.89

INCOME

Refund from Water Department
Donation from Deacons
Undesignated Personal Mission Giving

\$ 44.39
400.00
191.35
\$ 635.74

*\$400 from the Pentecost Offering was given to Foundations for Youth and \$200 of the Peace and Global Witness Offering was given to Haven House.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE TEAM

2018 REPORT

The Stewardship/Finance Team of the Presbyterian Church of Circleville consisting of elders Charles Hedges (chair), Tom Dixon, Bob Sneed (also church treasurer), Assistant Treasurer Larry Davis, Pastor Joel Esala, and congregation members, Fred Mavis, Diane Hill, Steve Thomerson, and Bill Fisher met multiple times during 2018.

The church received the second bequest from the estate of Ellie Butler in the amount of \$50,000. Her request was for this amount to be used for the music needs of the church. This team acting in its capacity of the Endowment Committee recommended that \$16,000 of this bequest be used to replace a CD that was cashed in to complete the funding of the organ repair. We also recommended that the remaining \$34,000 be used to establish a music endowment with the income from this endowment be used as the music department sees fit. It would be understood that major needs of the music department could be drawn from the principle upon approval of the Endowment committee and Session. These recommendations were presented to Session and were approved.

The team collaborated with the Financial Secretary to clarify some of the headings of the financial reports in hope that this process would help ease the understanding of the content of the individual reports.

A capital campaign was undertaken to solicit and receive pledges in hopes of paying off the remainder of the mortgage for the construction of Campbell Hall. This endeavor is planned to be completed over the next 3 years. We are encouraged that some members are already paying on their pledge. At the end of 2018 it is anticipated that we will have a balance due on this mortgage of a little under \$290,000. Please note the original amount of the mortgage was \$2,000,000.

The remaining Grigg family members had given the church approval to use the funds left in the Grigg Camp Scholarship for programs benefiting children. These funds have not been used in several years as the local camps no longer exist and there have been no applicants for these funds. Consequently we recommended and Session approved the use of these funds to initiate payment for a part-time Youth Christian Educator. We anticipate these monies will fund at least the first year of this individual's expense.

Our first formal stewardship campaign in several years was undertaken this fall. This team knew that this would be a challenge as membership has been declining while expenses have increased. We are very encouraged by the response of our church family as we strive to continue God's work here in our community and world. The year-end pledge results for 2019 were \$204,060 from 80 pledge units. This is a large increase both in amount and numbers of pledge units from our last campaign in 2015.

The final 2 months of the year were spent preparing a provisional church budget for 2019. This was a somewhat painful process as for the past 3 years pledge and offering income has not met the expenses of the church. We have been able to fund this shortfall by using funds given to the church that were not otherwise earmarked. This was done in an attempt to continue our many programs while we as a church fellowship were undergoing very stressful and contentious times. Unfortunately, these non-earmarked funds are now expended and we have no reserves on which to fall back. The provisional budget for 2019 estimates pledges and offerings will be about \$257,000. This appears to be attainable based on the pledged amount noted above and past years' income history. Unfortunately the provisional budget expenses, even after making painful deep cuts in requests from the various teams and boards, were \$281,400. This leaves us with a potential 2019 deficit of \$24,400. A final budget will be presented to Session in early 2019 based on final results of the Stewardship program. This team and Session will be charged to closely monitor income and expenses throughout 2019.

Submitted by Charles Hedges, chair

**CIRCLEVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2018**

Operating Budget	2013	2014	2015	2019
Total Number of Pledge Units	74	89	65	80*
Total Amount Pledged	\$150,978	\$162,637	\$149,491	\$204,060
Average Amount Pledged	\$2,040	\$1,827	\$2,300	\$3,046**

*80pledge cards were returned, 13 were marked "as able".

**This number was calculated by dividing the total money pledged by the 67 pledges with dollar amounts indicated.

Formal pledge campaigns were not conducted in 2016, 2017, and 2018.

I would recommend 2020 pledge cards be edited to remove the option "as able".

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Mavis

Stewardship Campaign Chair

Worship Team 2018 Report

The Worship Team met regularly throughout the year providing for the worship needs of our church family.

The sanctuary care team continues to function by refilling pew envelopes, pens, and doodle pads as needed. The team is also responsible for changing Parameters, cleaning the chancel area and maintenance of worship supplies.

Youth shared in worship as youth liturgists the last Sunday of every month. This activity continues to be an important way to encourage youth participation in worship.

The Worship Team continues to coordinate Communion with the Deacons. The Deacons prepare the elements and Worship Team schedules the Elders to serve.

The Worship Team responsibilities described in the Book of Order include obtaining supply pastors as needed and participating in the planning of special seasonal worship services.

The Praise Team shared their talents with the congregation on a somewhat regular basis and is well received.

The Technology Team continues to share their talents to enhance our worship by preparing the presentation for weekly worship and special services, coordinating the use of projectors, microphones, and media for both services.

Worship includes various media. The Art group within the Worship Team continues to provide art displays in the upper hallway. These displays are changed periodically and enhance the worship experience of our church family. The Worship Team continues to explore ways to bring more visual expressions of worship into weekly worship.

The Worship Team also provides the quarterly “These Days” devotional booklets in each adult classroom and the back of the sanctuary for people to take home and enhance their journey in discipleship.

Preparing, planning, and providing worship each week that is thoughtful and meaningful continues to be the primary focus on the Worship Team’s work.

Respectfully submitted,

Libby Rushley

2018 Board of Deacons Annual Report

Members of the 2018 Deacons were Rod Smith (Moderator), Sam Wilson (Vice Moderator), Melissa Gerland (Treasurer), Margaret Parker (Secretary), Doyle Painter, Meg Rorick, Nate Smith, Sandy Edgar, Jenna Acklin, Al Kershaw, Julie Cline, Brian Weller

This was an extremely busy year for the Board and I would like to thank everyone of the Deacons for an outstanding job. This group of dedicated people not only worked extremely hard to fulfil their duties on their particular committees, they also worked as a team to help each other and the congregation with a large warm heart. The board also would like to thank the members of the congregation that helped countless times during this year.

The Board of Deacons this year made financial contributions to help Haven House, Hope-House, Community Kitchen, Vacation Bible School and the Emergency Assistance Program. The Board of Deacons contributed over \$1,600 to local missions.

The Deacons, with the help of the congregation, provide meals at six funerals that included making and preparing food, serving, setting up and cleaning along with helping with the service itself. Our mission is to provide a gracious, quality time for the families.

We also provided the organization of the acolytes. The Deacons are responsible for the scheduling and training of the acolytes by working with their parents.

The Board of Deacons this year helped with and organized the community picnic along with Trinity Lutheran and Community Methodist which was on Mound Street.

The Deacons also sponsored another shirt sale. It was the Boards hope to provide something new and exciting for our church members to wear with our church logo.

The Deacons also prepare, set up and clean up the elements for communion. In 2018 we had over a dozen communions that included both services at 9:00 and 11:00.

The Deacons also are responsible for the organization of the special flowers at Easter and Christmas. These flowers provide a wonderful setting in the sanctuary, and those that are not taken home by members of the congregation; about half were delivered to shut-ins, older members and the nursing homes.

A major community service is the Community Kitchen, where three times a week members of our community and church provide food, warmth and fellowship for those who are in need. The Deacons, Congregational Care and everyone would like to extend special thanks to Alice Harker for heading up this endeavor.

The Deacons with friends also go to Brown Memorial for a Hymn Sing the last Monday of each month. This is a wonderful experience that definitely is a great evening for the patients. Deacons also make visits to our members who are in one of the four facilities in the county.

The Deacons also sponsored a brunch for the congregation that included pancakes, eggs, and muffins with of course bacon and sausage. This is a chance for the congregation to relax and have a good time with a good meal. The proceeds from this event went to help local missions.

The Deacons with many other members of the church provide transportation for doctor visits, medical procedures and other times when a member is unable to find transportation.

The Deacons also provide help with the running of the technology for the worship services along with the Technology Team. Every Sunday it is the responsibility of the Tech Team to work the sound and visuals for each service. Also at funerals, weddings and special events the Tech Team is in action. The Team also provides CD's for those who cannot attend. Deacons and members of the congregation help deliver these CD's for those unable to attend.

The last big day of the year for the Deacons is the Christmas Eve Service. The Deacons take care of the ushering; candles for silent night; setting up and delivering the poinsettias; lighting candles for silent night, luminaries, acolytes and window candles; dimming lights and making sure all are safe. This also includes the clean-up and storage of everything we use for the service.

Once again I would like to personally thank all of the Deacons and all of the members of the congregation that helped make this year successful for the Deacons.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Smith

BOARD OF DEACONS – 2018

Beginning Balance

\$1,589.86

Expenses

Emergency Assistance	178.09
Haven Houses Boxes	355.15
Funeral expenses	135.11
Vacation Bible School	200.00
Pancake Breakfast	155.78
Picca-Hope House	314.00
Community Kitchen	<u>300.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$1,638.13

Deposits

2017 Shirts	55.00
Funerals	400.00
Pancake Breakfast	314.00
2018 Shirt Sale Profit	<u>83.61</u>
Total Deposits	\$852.61

Ending Balance

\$804.34

Report of the Board of Trustees 2018

John Ankrom, President	Larry & Roxanne Davis	Curtis Crego
Allyn Sheldon, Vice-President	Ron & Kathy Studebaker	Jayme Fountain
Alice Harker, Secretary	Norm Baldinger	Kent Hardin

Trustees completing their three-year terms in 2018 were Norm Baldinger, Jayme Fountain, and Kent Hardin. We thank them for their valued service and contributions to the church during this time. Coming aboard are a group of church veterans: Bob Parker, Ken Hall, and Darrell Smith. We look forward to adding their knowledge to the group.

Our year started in January with the election of officers for 2018: John Ankrom, President, Allyn Sheldon, Vice-President, and Alice Harker, Secretary. Regular monthly meetings were held with the exception of July and October.

Several building maintenance and improvement projects were planned and completed throughout the year. Roof repairs were necessary to replace several damaged and missing slate pieces, and to secure hip and ridge metal flashings. The work was completed by Durable Slate. Durable also re-roofed the flat roof area above the sanctuary after an April rainstorm caused damage to the sanctuary ceiling. New membrane roofing was installed at a cost of \$5000. The sanctuary ceiling was spot repaired by Dye Painting. They also completed other painting projects around the church at a cost of \$1570. Automatic door opening devices were added to the front door and vestibule door to improve accessibility. This project was completed by contractor Bill Martin. An 8x10 storage building to hold gas-powered equipment was ordered from Elsea's (\$500) to be placed at the rear of the church. It should be delivered early in 2019.

Several trustees met in March to complete the changing of ballasts and lamps in the Campbell Hall lighting layout. The project was successfully completed, but we are still chasing down some switching issues which currently have the center row of lights out of service.

The scheduled spring workday on April 21 was well attended and many cleanup tasks were completed both inside and outside. Carbon monoxide detectors were installed throughout the church. Another community service day in May saw several OCU students working around the church under the direction of Alice Harker. Throughout the year, many overlooked tasks were addressed by church volunteers. In particular, Meg Rorick, Blaine Keckley, and others stepped up to help beautify and maintain the church's landscaping. Megan Piper again trimmed and mowed the grass areas. The trustees appreciate all the "unseen hands" that help keep our church home a welcoming environment to the community and our membership.

For the past several years, our church's fire alarm system has been noted as deficient in annual reports filed with the State of Ohio. Part of this is due to the fact that two separate systems exist, one older system servicing the sanctuary area and a newer system servicing Campbell Hall and the education wing. These systems do not "talk" with each other, which would allow a fire event to occur in one part of the building

without alarming the entire building. In February, trustee Al Sheldon and building official Bill Toole conducted a review of the systems, and significant deficiencies were noted. As a result, several companies were contacted to submit quotations to replace or repair our fire alarm system. The successful bidder was Koorssen Fire & Security, who plans to replace the two existing systems with one new system, including the updating of all devices to meet current code requirements. The cost of the work will be \$37,795, and a contract was executed to move ahead. Monies for the project will be taken from the Maintenance Endowment fund, at the direction of the finance committee. Drawings are currently underway and the work should be completed in the spring of 2019.

Another overdue project included the testing and re-charging of the kitchen hood suppression system, and that work was performed in August, also by Koorssen. Carpets in Campbell Hall were cleaned quarterly. HVAC routine maintenance was performed by Accurate (Campbell Hall area) and McCrady (sanctuary area). We did not have any major replacement expense in that category this year, fortunately.

Pumpkin Show parking ran smoothly, netting \$2980, which was added to the trustee's reserve account and will be used for projects around the church. Thanks to all who participated by purchasing a permit and working a shift. Chris Piper dedicated much of her time during this week to the parking lot, and a donation was made to her church in recognition of that effort.

The Board of Trustees would like to extend our sincere appreciation for the efforts throughout the year of Susie Hollar, who efficiently maintains our financial records, and of John Williams, who diligently works to maintain our beautiful church facility. We value their dedication and daily work to keep our congregation on solid footing. We also extend thanks to Bob Sneed, for his treasurer's role and expertise, keeping us informed with current financial data. Lastly, our thanks to Pastor Joel, for his energy and commitment to keep us moving forward.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Ankrom, President
2018 Board of Trustees

CHANCEL CHOIR REPORT
2018

First of all, I want to thank each and every choir member for his/her time and talent. Our choir members have very busy lives but still make time to support our worship services. Many members also serve on Boards and Commissions of the church. The choir is especially helpful to the congregation in the singing of new hymns. With a wonderful new pastor we also get to learn new hymns. The choir was able to enjoy the Children's Christmas Program again this year from the view of the congregation. As much as our choir members love to sing it is a real joy for them to take part in the service sitting in the congregation during Advent Season.

I was not able to attend either of Stanton's Sight-Reading Clinic this year due to weather in January and other commitments in August. This year was special thanks to Ellie Butler who left money for the music program. Because we have so much crossover between Bell Choir and Chancel Choir Erin and I saw an opportunity to buy robes which closed around the wrist so both Choir and Bell Choir could use the same robes and not have to switch robes during the service. The robes we were using were at least 25 to 30 years old. We chose a beautiful light royal blue. We especially thank Ellie Butler for this gift and for all members of the congregation who sign up with the Kroger Rewards Program to help our music program.

Our old Bell and Choir Robes as well as Acolyte Robes were donated to Rose Run Presbyterian Church in New Albany. They were thrilled to receive them. Nancy Ferguson came to pick them up and received a tour of our church. She was so impressed with how beautiful our facilities are. Sometimes we need to remember how very blessed we are at this church and with our church family.

I would like to thank Julia Weller, Stephanie Jones Jordan, Marlee Martin, Andy Solovey, Pat Knecht, Jack Mader, Monica Gans, Erin Spring, Doyle Painter, and Judy Spicer who signed up and provided special music for our services during the summer. I would also like to thank Erin and Monica for accompanying our choir with recorder and flute on special arrangements of anthems. I know our congregation appreciates your musical contributions.

Inventory of choir music is still a work in progress. Maybe 2019 will be the year to get it gets completed.

The choir was excited to welcome two new members this year, Louis Kerishalk and Cheyanne Bright.

I want to thank Darrell for continuing to keep our robes and music library in order. I also want to thank Elinor Coil who hemmed some of our new choir robes. She chose to donate the money we paid her to the Hope House which is a wonderful new mission in our community.

I also want to thank Pat and Jack for their Thursday night rehearsal and Sunday morning accompanying of our anthems. We are fortunate to have them both. I also appreciate my daughter Erin who has stepped in to direct in my absence whenever I've been sick or out a Sunday for a planned vacation. I think my granddaughter Ella is watching Erin & I and practicing to take over as director at some point in the future 😊 It has been wonderful working with our new pastor, Joel.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Painter, Chancel Choir Director

ORGANIST REPORT

In the wake of the major organ overhaul in 2017 and its subsequent nerve-wracking multitude of “bugs” that had to be dealt with, 2018 was a much better year, indeed. I am pleased to report that the pipe organ has been behaving very nicely and that it would appear that all of the issues associated with the re-leathering project have been resolved.

In 2018 the major issue was our transition from the Bunn=Minnick Pipe Organ Company to Muller Pipe Organs of Croton Ohio, a change necessitated by the closure of the Bunn=Minnick Company at the end of 2017. You may recall that the unexpected death of the company president, Phil Minnick, at the end of 2016, ultimately brought about the closure of the company. During our 37 year relationship with Bunn=Minnick, our organ was reconfigured and expanded into one of the finest and most versatile organs in central Ohio. Projects included tonal improvements and additions, a new console, and the re-leathering.

So it was difficult to see them go. At the beginning of 2018 we contracted with Muller Pipe Organs to take over the servicing and maintenance of the organ. As we complete the first year with Muller, I am pleased to report I am very satisfied with their work. They go about their annual maintenance differently than did Bunn=Minnick, who tuned the organ four times a year. Muller tunes just twice a year but that work consists of a “complete” tuning, which means every pipe in the organ is gone over. If necessary, they will do a “touch-up” tuning between the major tunings. So far, this has not been necessary, however, a radical drop in temperature, a heating system failure or some similar catastrophe could require the additional tuning work. It is too soon to accurately compare the costs between the two companies, but they should end up being similar, allowing for inflation and other factors.

Organ pipes are extremely sensitive to temperature changes; even a few degrees can knock them out of tune. The trumpets and other reed ranks are particularly susceptible and we now have three people in our congregation who can access the upper chambers of the organ that I can no longer get to, and they have proven themselves competent “spot tuners.” These folks are Monica Gans, Erin Spring, and even Pastor Joel has gotten in on the action! They can scoot right up the narrow ladder and in a few minutes any sour notes are soon singing right on key again! Thanks to all three of you, as your assistance helps us save quite a bit of money by not having to call the organ company just to fix a few notes.

I continue to acquire new music each year and I try to include several new pieces each month as I prepare the worship music.

Pat Beathard and I continue to share the organist duties and the entire music staff, along with Pastor Joel, functions as a congenial team. It is a great joy to serve this church through the ministry of music.

One of the music professors at Ohio Christian University has asked to use our organ to present a recital in late February. That he has chosen our organ speaks well of its excellence in performing all types of music. We look forward to this special event.

JACK MADER

The Helen Burkhart Memorial Handbell and Mary Gans Memorial Chime Choir Annual Report 2018

Choir participants in 2018: *Tom Gans, Doyle Painter, Rita Painter,*

Stephanie Jones, Teresa Ankrom, Alice Harker, Pat Beathard, Marlee Martin, Patsy Knecht, Carla Mavis, Katrina Young, Monica Gans, and Allison Weller. We continue to be blessed with incredible bell choir members who devotedly share their talent to enhance the worship experience of our congregation and worship the Lord through music for both contemporary and traditional services.

We were blessed to be able to replace our decades old robes and get new robes with the Chancel Choir that allow for the choirs to match. Since we share many members, having these new robes has made it much easier for the choirs to remain visually uniform without requiring members to step out of services to change robes. We were also able to have non-skid grippers and banquet hall table clothes donated in white and in black that fit the new trapezoid handbell tables. This saved hundreds of dollars, as we no longer have to purchase the custom made tablecloths. With these accomplishments, our bell choir has the following goals remaining:

Short Term Goals

- **Add new bell choir members.** We have been short a member and are now short two members as one had to recently take a break from the group due to a large workload. Please consider trying out bells, coming back to bells, and encouraging others to do so as well. We will happily take short term and subbing commitments!
- Increase our repertoire of contemporary music to enhance worship during the first service.
- Replace the remaining two octaves of original handles to match the middle three octaves.

Long Term Goals

- Long term goal is to obtain the 5th octave of chimes to match the 5th octave of handbells we have.
- Purchase additional contemporary handbell music that is available.
- Purchase two additional small trapezoid handbell tables & pads to allow for more flexible set ups in the sanctuary.
- Additional stoles for both bell and chancel choirs.

Our church is blessed to have such a beautiful set of handbells and chimes and it is an honor to create music to worship the Lord and enhance our services through this gift. This choir is a wonderful group who enjoys each other's company and making music for the Lord, we and welcome anyone, new or experienced, young, or young at heart, to join us!

-Erin Spring, Handbell/Chime Choir Director

Community Kitchen Annual Report for 2018

The Community Kitchen is an ecumenical undertaking of 11 churches and 12 organizations in Pickaway County that prepare and serve meals every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening in Campbell Hall. Our numbers range from 20 - 60 with many attending on a regular basis. Over 5500 meals were served in 2018. This effort to feed the hungry requires the cooperation of many in our community. We rely upon the groups who prepare the meals as well as the generous contributions of churches, businesses, organizations, and individuals to fulfill our mission.

A store room is stocked with food (canned fruits and vegetables, noodles, pasta, instant potatoes) and paper products (plates, cups, plastic ware, napkins). A freezer is stocked with ground beef. We have partnered with the Bob Evans Restaurant in South Bloomfield to receive leftover products every week (over 1000 pounds this year) and Lindsey's Bakery provides doughnuts. Each group plans their own meal using supplies from the store room or items they provide. Meals are often supplemented with fresh produce and milk purchased by each group. Our goal is to provide a variety of hot, nutritious meals. The Community Kitchen is open to all - offering a warm meal and a warm welcome and helping those in need to stretch their food dollars.

Our Church provides the facility, storage room, utilities, and personnel for cleaning, setup, etc. We prepare a meal the 1st Friday and 4th Wednesday of every month. Presbyterian Women provide \$300 to help with additional cleaning of the kitchen. The Mission Team oversees this Session endorsed project; Deacons and Congregational Care provide additional help. In November and December, the Mission Team provided money to purchase food staples to distribute. Other groups have provided hats, mittens, sox, and gifts at various holidays throughout the year. These are always gratefully received. This year over fifty adults and youth from our church helped prepare and serve meals. We gathered on Thanksgiving Eve for a meal together followed by a communion service of thanksgiving. Pastor Joel attends Community Kitchen on Wednesdays to warmly greet and visit with the diners. His presence and enthusiastic support of this mission are deeply appreciated.

Submitted by Alice Harker

Community Kitchen Treasurer's Report - 2018

Balance Forward as of 1-1-18 \$3259.54

Income:	
St. Joseph's Catholic Church	700.00
St. Philip's Women	200.00
Northridge Women	200.00
Northridge Church (Love & Joy)	400.00
Presbyterian Women	400.00
Pres. Church Challengers Class	61.00
Pres. Church Deacons	300.00
Pres. Church Souper Bowl	424.25
LuLaRoe	29.00
PCCF Foundation	500.00
Pres. Church Personal Mission	2535.00
	+ \$5749.25

Expenses:	
Presbyterian Trustees	600.00
Presbyterian Women	300.00
Circleville Fast Freeze	285.00
Kroger	33.84
Sam's Club Supplies	2,251.82
	+ \$3470.66

Interest on Checking	+ 2.92
Check Order	- 23.90

Checking Account Balance as of 12-31-18	\$5517.15
Susie Hollar, Treasurer	

CUSH
Churches United for Senior Housing
2018 Annual Report

The Presbyterian Church is a member of a non-profit organization named Churches United for Senior Housing, or CUSH. This organization was formed in 1980 by several area churches to assist in developing senior housing in the community. Eventually, six churches joined the group, and \$10,000 was raised to provide operational monies to pursue a project through the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). The result was Eden Place, a 40-unit three-story apartment building, located on Atwater Avenue. Other than some cash, it remains the sole asset of the organization. Management of the units is contracted to the Pickaway Metropolitan Housing Authority.

Today, the Eden Place project is monitored by a group of delegates from the member churches, including ours. John Ankrom, Doris Gillespie, and Bill Fisher are the current Presbyterian delegates. One spot from our church is unfilled. Both John and Doris have served as Presidents of the board of directors in the past. John is the current president and Doris is the secretary. The directors meet quarterly to receive management's reports, and all delegates meet annually in January. All 40 units are currently rented, and the census stays consistently high.

This past year's activities included the pursuit of a grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) to obtain money for capital project improvements to the facility. To qualify for the grant, ownership of the facility would have to transfer to the local housing authority who manages the building. That transfer was approved by the delegates in July, but is on hold, pending grant approval.

Emergency Clearinghouse

The Emergency Clearinghouse Association is a coalition of local churches and organizations committed to assisting residents of Pickaway County in meeting certain emergency needs. Aboard of directors made up of representatives from area churches oversees the activities. PICCA advises the board and does screening of applicants for assistance and the Clearinghouse serves them at the behest of the Pickaway Ministerial Association.

The Emergency Clearinghouse Association provides five day supply of food every calendar month, including meat, can goods, cereal, eggs, cheese and other miscellaneous household items to families.

During 2018, we averaged nearly 500 families per month. We receive food from Wal-Mart on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. On Monday thru Sunday Kroger supplies bread, and on Fridays we receive meat from Kroger. We receive food from Aldis and Big Lots on Thursdays. Also receive items from Dollar General on North Court Street and Dollar Tree.

We currently have about 50 volunteers but can always use more. Total volunteer hours for 2018 was over 10,000 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Smith – board member

Teresa Ankrom and Sam Wilson - volunteers

Around the Cross

This group of church members meets the third Friday of the month in Campbell Hall for fellowship and good food. Some months we even have a program. The average attendance is 8 to 12 and we would always welcome more church members to join us. Please bring your table service and a dish to share. Any questions, contact Barb Hull.

POTHATALA

The Presbyterian Men's Group (POTHATALA) meets every Tuesday for lunch, with a few exceptions, at the Bistro at Berger Hospital. We talk, exchange ideas, and give money to the General Fund of the church. All are welcome.

PRAYER CHAIN ANNUAL REPORT for 2018

The prayer chain's mission is to help others through the difficult times of their lives through intercessory prayer. We pray for God's healing, comfort, strength, peace, guidance, whatever the need might be. We also offer prayers of thanksgiving and blessing for births, weddings, baptisms and happy outcomes. Requests may be for oneself, one's family or friends, and even for someone unnamed. The only requirement is that, if a name is to be used, their permission has been given. One exception is that everyone in the congregation is prayed for at least once a year, on their birthday.

We do our best to respect the privacy of those on the list. That can be hard in our caring congregation when a situation is widely known. It's when it isn't widely known that we need to be discrete.

This ministry is open to all who would like to join. Please contact me or the church office if you are interested or want to be placed on the prayer list. Requests may also be shared during the Alternative service or given to the usher during the second service.

Peace, Clare Hall

Presbyterian Women Part one.

2018 was a transition year for Presbyterian Women, so each moderator has added to this year's annual report.

We began 2018 with a fun lunch at Goodwins restaurant with Pastor Joel in attendance. We continued to participate in the Least coin and birthday offerings within Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery. Many of our members lent their talents to creating beautiful Prayer Shawls, baby carrier blankets and other items of care for the comfort of those members and friends in need. Kitchen maintenance and regular cleaning were continued through the proceeds from the 2017 Cookie walk.

Our 49th May luncheon was well attended and enjoyed lots of fellowship.

We were also asked to and accepted the invitation to host a meeting of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Scioto Valley. That will happen in our church Saturday Feb. 23. More requests and news about this later.

It has been a pleasure and joy to serve as moderator for the women of our church,

Carla Mavis, Past Moderator

Presbyterian Women's 2018 Annual Report

Our catered dinner was held September 25,2018 with 37 in attendance.

This was a fund raiser for Hope House. A representative from PICCA spoke about the projects current status, needs and approximate opening date. We raised \$617.00 for Hope House.

We also had a presentation by a Brown Memorial representative. She discussed Brown's future projects and the need for volunteers.

Cookie Walk was held December 8, 2018. We had a net profit of \$1856.00.

We met regularly in 2018 to work on bag cutting. This is to help Sam and Debbie Wilson who crochet these bags into mats for the homeless. This project is continuing.

We are looking forward to our 50th May luncheon in 2019.

Marie Gamertsfelder

Women's moderator

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
FINANCIAL REPORT
2018

Balance Forwarded as of 1/1/18 \$ 13,702.69

INCOME/DEPOSITS:

May Luncheon less \$600 start \$	\$ 2,454.50	
Cookie Walk-'17	*	30.00
Cookie Walk-'18 less \$325 start \$	*	2,165.00
Interest		14.76
From Comm. Kitchen for Cleaning	*	300.00
Change for 2019 Bday Offer./Least Coin		9.34
Least Coin & Birthday Offering-2018		<u>43.44</u>
<u>Total Income</u>		<u>+ \$ 5,017.04</u>

EXPENSES:

Mission-Emergency Clearinghouse	300.00	
Mission-Hope House	200.00	
Mission-Community Kitchen	400.00	
Mission-Hands for Disabled	200.00	
Mission-Haven House	200.00	
Mission-Circleville Comm. Mission	200.00	
Catered Mission Dinner-	36.00	
'17 Cookie Walk Ads	*	102.44
'18 Cookie Walk w/o Herald Ad. expense	*	176.45
May Luncheon expenses	483.26	
Capital Campaign Donation-May Luncheon	100.00	
PSV/Least Coin/Birthday Offering	44.00	
Cleaning of kitchen -11 times @ \$50	*	550.00
Coffee Mugs	*	67.50
Cake for Joel's Welcome	68.50	
<u>Total Expenses</u>		<u>-\$ 3,128.15</u>

Total Account Balance as of 12/31/18 \$ 15,591.58

*Kitchen Fund		\$ 7,289.42
Balance 01/01/18		
Plus Income: Cookie Walk-'18	2,165.00	
Cookie Walk-'17	30.00	
Comm. Kitchen	<u>300.00</u>	
		+ 2,495.00
Less Expenses: all * expenses		- , 896.39
New Balance Kitchen Fund 12/31/18		\$ 8,888.03
New Balance General Fund 12/31/18		<u>\$ 6,703.55</u>

Respectfully,
Roxanne Hills Davis, Treasurer



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What does home mean to you? Home can be different for each of us, but for us “home” is the place we’re most comfortable. Where we’re surrounded by people we cherish. Those who will hold our hand for a walk, a prayer, or a gentle squeeze of encouragement. Those who listen to—and laugh with—us. We make “home” about care and comfort; space to rest and recharge.

As the only nonprofit, 5-star, Eden Alternative Certified, skilled nursing, therapy, and assisted living provider in Pickaway County, Brown Memorial Home is uniquely suited to offer care that really cares — by listening to and learning from those we serve. **We want everyone who chooses us to feel they’re making a change that is positive and proactive** — one where they’ll experience nurturing as much as nursing, challenge as much as compassion.

The Elders we serve know that each new day includes opportunities for engagement, enjoyment, and advancement. They know they have choices about what and when they eat, when they go to bed and get up, what they’ll wear, when—or if—to participate in activities or have some one-on-one time with staff or volunteers. **We go beyond standard nursing home care** to offer a personal, compassionate experience, every person, every time.

Welcoming Us All Home

In the coming years, Pickaway County will see a large rise in our senior population. Seniors who are our parents, friends, neighbors... ourselves. **We must ensure there’s a place for these**

Elders to find the care and compassion they need, within the community they love.

As a 5-star, nonprofit provider—the only one in Pickaway County—Brown Memorial Home relies on our values and our imagination to guide our growth, not our balance sheet. And we rely on the support of our community. And we’ve been doing that for 125 years!

At the same time we’re celebrating our 125th Anniversary, we’re also stepping out in faith to build a new Assisted Living Home in Circleville! While the building will be new—the care will be personal, compassionate. While the technology and skill we employ is cutting edge, state of the art—the building will be a warm, caring, home.

We are asking for the support of our community — so that together we can continue to give the very best in care and support. Please consider making a financial donation through a one-time donation, monthly gift, or bequeath through The Columbus Foundation or Pickaway County Community Foundation, via our website at brownmemorialhome.com, in person or through the mail to 158 East Mound Street, Circleville OH 43113, or by texting 122115 to 614.230.0347 and following the prompts.

YOU make a positive difference in the lives of the Elders we serve.

Engaged Acts of Service

Brown is pleased to play a part in the **Pickaway County Community Foundation** through the Nonprofit Brown Bag Lunch, where we learn about the incredible work of our nonprofit partners throughout the county, discuss how we can work together in new ways, and share the good news of Pickaway County with our community and beyond.

We actively work with **Community United Methodist, Good Shepherd United Methodist, Circleville Presbyterian, Trinity Lutheran** and other local churches through Ohio Christian University, volunteer initiatives, and other new programs.

Brown Memorial Home offers leadership at the **Older Adult and Healthcare Networks of Pickaway County**. These groups exist to encourage networking between every entity that serve Elders, with the ultimate goal of increasing opportunities for our whole community to be more fully served. We have made formal presentations in several counties, as well as the **Circleville Herald Senior Expo**, and we've expanded our engagements to include various programs and Chambers of Commerce in Pickaway, Franklin, Ross, Fairfield, Hocking, Athens, and Perry Counties. Sharing the power and benefit of the Elder-centered care offered at Brown Memorial Home is a great way to connect across boundaries!

We Invite Your Support

Leave a Legacy and Live it Now!

Every day we are confronted with choices. What are some of yours?

- Determine a life of continuing incline or accept that it's mostly downhill from here?
- Welcome change or feel more comfortable with the status quo?
- Embrace your authenticity or prefer not to make waves at this point?

These are important questions because the totality of our choices becomes our life and, in turn, determines the kind of legacy we leave.

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