

2017 Annual Report
of the
Flora Presbyterian Church



Congregational Meeting
February 25, 2018

DOCKET OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION/CORPORATION

of the

Flora Presbyterian Church

Flora, Indiana
February 25, 2018

Opening Prayer

Memorial and Prayer for Deceased

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Election of Nominating Committee 3 Congregational Members and 2 Outgoing Session Members

Miscellaneous Business

The meeting of the Corporation. Receiving of reports.

The reading and approval of the minutes.

Adjournment with prayer.

Pastor's Annual Report

I can hardly believe that I have been here a full year. Yet it is January 2018, and I began as your pastor in November 2016. This past year I have tried some new things, gotten a better understanding of the how & why things are done a certain way yet still have much to learn. While I am a mature woman with many years of life and church experience, I am reminded that this is my first call as an Ordained Minister. Your prayers and your patience with me is very greatly appreciated.

Here are some of the changes that you may have noted:

Sunday Worship

1. Announcements are now on Power Point before service begins and continues playing until we pass the peace of Christ.
2. Our organist, Libby Sparks, plays following the Passing of the Peace to gather everyone back to their seats.
3. The first 2 scripture readings are also on Power Point to make it easier for folks to follow along.
4. Children's moment is now a regular part of the morning service.
5. Contemporary music for the first song has been experimented with. This has received mixed reviews. My hope is that as more people are trained on the computer and sound system that this can be improved and reintroduced.

Changes were also made in the Fall to the Wednesday evening service which is traditionally known as the Oasis Program.

1. I have been encouraging the committees and congregation to change their view of this service. We are moving from a ministry that "we do for them" to seeing this as a second worship service of our congregation.
2. The time in the sanctuary now includes more features which are seen on Sunday morning. It is less formal, but includes corporate prayer, praise music and a brief sermon. (I am continually striving to shorten the message on Wednesday night.) While some of these elements have always been a part of the Oasis evening, my plan is to be more intentional with the sanctuary time as worship time.
3. I am learning that despite all my education and training, teenagers are not the same as when I was a kid. My tolerance of certain behaviors is not what it was 10 years ago. I am continually reminded of how much improved the kids are from 16 years ago when Oasis begun. I truly appreciate the patience and endurance of each of the leaders every Wednesday night. Continue to pray for me as I strive to follow God's calling in this ministry. It is my desire that each of them become true disciples of Jesus the Christ.

Visitation

One of my personal challenges is visiting people in their home for the first time. I have visited some this past year and should have visited several more. Please know that if ever you would like me to make a visit, you only need to ask. Communion was served by me in the homes of 4 church members. Again, if any would like to have communion brought to them, I will gladly do so.

Care Fund

One of my responsibilities is to discern needs when someone calls for financial assistance. A few folks have been helped with rent, food, gas and utilities. I have empowered our secretary, Beth

Zootman to give \$25 for utility assistance when someone calls. This money is sent directly to the utility company.

Working with Super Valu grocery store, gift cards can be purchased for food only items. Rent is paid directly to the landlord and I have met with various folks at the gas station and given the money to the attendant for gas or used the debit card at the pump. No cash is given to the individual.

This past year I have met or talked with different township trustees in our area. In a meeting with local pastors, we began discussion of how we might streamline assisting with the needs in Flora.

Funerals

1. Feb. 2017 Robert Scholl: I co-officiated with Rev. Chuck Compton
2. Nov. 2017 Lola Snively

Flora Presbyterian Church has been most generous to me with their prayers, friendship, time and financial gifts. I am very grateful for the opportunity to share with you in this ministry. As Presbyterians we believe in the “priesthood of all believers”. We are co-heirs with Christ and have much to be thankful for as well as much to be good stewards over. The people of this community look for the light of Christ. May they always see it shining in the faces of each of us.

Your sister in Christ,
Pastor Grace

Active Membership

as of December 31, 2017

Angie Austin

Ron Austin

Dan Bishop

Dick N. Bishop

Dick T. Bishop

Jane Bishop

Melissa Bishop

Laurie Brower

Ann Brown

Bob Brown

Mitchell Catron

Rachael Catron

Steve Catron

Kevin Clark

Martha Clark

Matt Clark

Ruth Erisman

Erika Hollis

Gerry Hollis

Susan Hollis

Bill Kearns

Jane Kearns

Mike Kearns

Kathy King

Kent King

Stanley Langston

Terry Langston

Doug MacLauchlan

Laraine MacLauchlan

Barb Mayfield

Bev Mayfield

Christopher Mayfield

Joe Mayfield

Marshall McCammack

Patsy McCammack

Ava McGill

Brian McGill

Craig McGill

Howard McGill

Kris McGill

Jay McMillin

Jenne McMillin

Joan Moss

Joe Moss

Tammy Moss

Sally Schmidt

Maggie Randle

Marge Scholl

Susan Scholl

Donna Sholty

Ed Sholty

Marlene Smith

Libby Sparks

Barbara Wilkinson

Other

as of December 31, 2017

<i>Dickie Bishop</i>	<i>Julie Harvey</i>	<i>Joy Seybold</i>
<i>James Bishop</i>	<i>La Vaun Kuykendall</i>	<i>Bret Smith</i>
<i>John Bothof</i>	<i>Bill Langston</i>	<i>Craig Smith</i>
<i>Janis Burns</i>	<i>Dick Langston</i>	<i>Sam Smith</i>
<i>Leanna Brower</i>	<i>Julie Langston</i>	<i>Dale Snipes</i>
<i>George Brown</i>	<i>Jason McCammack</i>	<i>Vicky Snipes</i>
<i>Ellen Clark</i>	<i>Bret McGill</i>	<i>Trent Stephan</i>
<i>Jackie Davis</i>	<i>Bronwyn Opelt</i>	<i>Kay Viney</i>
<i>Mike Durr</i>	<i>Dan Peterson</i>	<i>Cathy Westfall</i>
<i>Tammy Durr</i>	<i>Talissyn Quibell</i>	<i>Lauren Wilkinson</i>
<i>Marcia Brower Gyles</i>	<i>*Dan Reedy</i>	<i>Rich Wilkinson</i>
<i>Ruby Harris</i>	<i>Jay Reedy</i>	<i>Carolyn Williams</i>
<i>Harry Hartman</i>	<i>Josh Reedy</i>	<i>Jim Williams</i>
<i>Stacy Hartman</i>	<i>Rachel Reedy</i>	
<i>Jessica Hartman</i>	<i>Lesli McGill Reeves</i>	
<i>Josh Hartman</i>	<i>Pat Robison</i>	
<i>Trey Hartman</i>	<i>Drew Scholl</i>	

Affiliate Members
Betty Peterson

Lola Snavelly
Bob Scholl Dan Reedy



Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you.

John 14:1-2

2017 BUDGET - FLORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Personnel

Pastor's Salary	\$24,000.00
Deferred Income-Retirement 403b Account	\$3,000.00
Pastor's Housing Allowance	\$15,000.00
Pastor's Salary Total:	\$42,000.00

Pastor's SECA Allowance	\$0.00
Vouchered Car Exp. Reimbursement	\$1,000.00
Vouchered Business Exp. Reimbursement	\$500.00
Vouchered Cont. Ed. Exp. Reimbursement	\$1,340.00
Vouchered Moving Expense	
Vouchered Medical Expense Reimbursement	\$0.00
Reimbursement Total:	\$2,840.00

Health Ins. and Pension	\$15,160.00
Total Pastor's Call - All Categories	\$60,000.00

Custodial Care Inside & Outside	\$3,750.00
Custodial Total:	\$3,750.00

Secretarial Payroll	\$7,000.00
FICA Withholding	\$500.00
State, County Tax Withholding	
Secretarial Total:	\$7,500.00

Building and Grounds

Maintenance, Repairs	\$5,000.00
Insurance	\$3,500.00
Fuel & Utilities	\$4,000.00
Telephone/Internet/Website	\$1,500.00
Office Supplies, Printing, Postage	\$4,500.00
Church Audit/Review	\$0.00
Kitchen/Janitorial Supplies	\$1,000.00
Building and Grounds Total:	\$19,500.00

Per Capita	\$3,000.00
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Missions

Carroll County Church Ministries	\$500.00
Presbyterian Mission Causes	\$3,000.00
Undesignated Mission Causes	\$1,000.00
Mission Total:	\$4,500.00

Worship

Pulpit Supply/Mileage	\$1,000.00
Music	\$300.00
Worship Supplies	\$300.00
Organists/Choir Director	\$400.00
Pastor Nominating Committee Expenses	\$0.00
Worship Total:	\$2,000.00

Christian Education

Church School(including Jr. Church)	\$250.00
OASIS	\$300.00
Library	\$200.00
Vacation Bible School	\$500.00
Christian Education Total:	\$1,250.00

Congregational Life

Local Evangelism/Fellowship Activities	\$300.00
Flowers for Shut-ins	\$200.00
Congregational Life Total:	\$500.00

TOTAL BUDGET:	\$102,000.00
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2017 FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - FLORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

REGULAR RECEIPTS:

Contributions		\$7,640.00	\$7,640.00
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Designated Income

Care Fund		\$1,105.66	
Camp		\$2,175.00	
Flower Fund		\$318.00	
Mission Projects/Trip		\$0.00	
Music			
Oasis/Christian Ed		\$5,771.58	
Presb Disaster Assist		\$1,470.00	
Other/Food Pantry/Xmas Baskets/4000 designated church use only/VBSmission		\$7,355.83	\$18,196.07

Interest Inc. on Checking		\$10.51	\$10.51
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Interest Income from C.D.

First	CD 10001088	\$12,000.00	\$108.00	
First	CD 10001469	\$12,000.00	\$148.79	
First	CD 10015667	\$12,000.00	\$83.96	
Salin	CD 10102917	\$12,026.43 compounded	\$0.00	
First	CD 17366761	\$12,000.00	\$99.97	
First	CD 17418167	\$9,000.00	\$31.50	\$472.22
		<u>\$69,026.43</u>		

Loose Offering		\$475.74	\$475.74
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Mission Income	Camp		\$0.00	
	Birthday Offering			
	Hunger Fund		\$1,364.00	
	Joy Offering		\$670.00	
	One Great Hour		\$788.00	
	Other (PWV=199.00) collected @ ordination		\$199.00	\$3,021.00

Other	VBS- Mission Project		\$0.00	\$0.00
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Pledges		\$70,518.00	\$70,518.00
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Reimbursement Income

Envelopes		\$59.00	
Dinners		\$161.18	
Other=VBS 2016/Women of Joy/VBS 2017/Pastor Stole		\$1,739.20	
Drain Repair		\$1,000.00	
Sunday School/Book		\$0.00	
Refunds		\$0.00	\$2,959.38

TOTAL RECEIPTS:		<u>\$103,292.92</u>	<u>\$103,292.92</u>
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SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

First Fin/Capital Fund	#2400746525	\$5,050.31
First Fin/Memorial	# 138132	\$15,184.13
First Fin CD	#17490895	\$8,876.87
Salin CD	# 98667	\$11,510.00
Salin CD	#10102917	\$12,052.92
First Fin 5 CD's listed above		\$57,000.00

Total Special Accounts		<u>\$109,674.23</u>
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Terry L Langston, Financial Secretary

Annual Report of the Treasurer

December 17

Jan-Dec 17

Ordinary Income/Expense**Income****Contributions****Designated Income**

Camp

Care Project Fund

Flower Fund

Oasis/Christian Ed

Other

Presbyterian Disaster**Total Designated Income****Interest Inc. on Checking****Interest Income from C.D. to Checking account**

First CD 10001088

First CD 10001469

First CD 10015667

First CD 17366761

First CD 17418167

Total Interest from C.D.**Total Interest Income****Loose Offering-Total****Mission Income**

Hunger Fund

Joy Offering

One Great Hour

Special Gifts

Total Mission Income**Pledges-Total****Reimbursement Income**

Camp

Dinners

Envelopes

Other

Total Reimbursement Income**Total Income**

\$1,050.00

\$0.00

\$224.00

\$208.00

\$500.00

\$140.00

\$0.00

\$1,072.00

\$0.60

\$8.88

\$12.23

\$4.93

\$4.91

\$2.59

\$33.56

\$34.16

\$68.00

\$341.00

\$610.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$951.00

\$5,960.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$9,135.16

\$7,640.00

\$0.00

\$1,105.66

\$318.00

\$5,771.58

\$7,355.83

\$1,470.00

\$17,846.07

\$10.51

\$108.00

\$148.79

\$83.96

\$99.97

\$31.50

\$472.22

\$482.73

\$475.74

\$1,364.00

\$670.00

\$788.00

\$199.00

\$3,021.00

\$70,518.00

\$350.00

\$161.18

\$59.00

\$2,739.20

\$3,309.38

\$103,292.92

Expenses

Building and Grounds	\$460.40	\$5,301.46
Fuel and Utilities	\$0.00	\$3,216.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$255.09
Kitchen/Janitorial Supp	\$768.00	\$11,365.51
Maintenance, Repairs & Misc	\$417.19	\$2,232.42
Office Supplies, Printing	\$299.00	\$1,525.96
Telephone		

Total Building and Grounds

\$1,944.59	\$23,896.44
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Christian Education

Church School	\$0.00	\$266.75
Oasis	\$72.94	\$372.94
Vacation Bible School	\$0.00	\$1,236.99
Library	\$0.00	\$85.43

Total Christian Education

\$72.94	\$1,962.11
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Congregational Life

Local Evangelism/Fellowship	\$0.00	\$325.69
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Total Congregational Life

\$0.00	\$325.69
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Designated Expense

Camp Payout	\$0.00	\$2,100.00
Care Project	\$70.00	\$1,091.24
Flowers	\$297.82	\$430.77
Music Donation Pay-Out	\$91.88	\$337.83
Oasis Christian Educ.	\$0.00	\$3,289.32
Other	\$0.00	\$6,114.53
Presby Disaster Assist Fund	\$1,100.00	\$1,670.00

Total Designated Expense

\$1,559.70	\$15,033.69
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Missions- Pledged

Shared Missions	\$250.00	\$3,000.00
Undesignated Mission Causes	\$220.70	\$1,609.05

Total Missions Pledged

\$470.70	\$4,609.05
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Missions- Unpledged

Camp	\$0.00	\$300.00
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	Hunger Offering	\$0.00	\$1,713.00
	Joy Offering	\$0.00	\$200.00
	One Great Hour	\$0.00	\$788.00
	Special Gifts	\$0.00	\$745.00
Total Missions Unpledged		\$0.00	\$3,746.00
Pastors Salary			
	Pastor's Housing Allowance	\$1,200.00	\$8,400.00
	Pastor's Salary	\$1,920.00	\$30,600.00
	Retirement 403b	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Total Pastors Salary		\$3,120.00	\$42,000.00
Pastors Health Ins. Pension		\$1,318.33	\$17,546.51
Pastoral Reimbursements			
	Business Ex. Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$500.00
	Car Ex. Reimbursement	\$307.36	\$1,307.36
	Cont'd Educ. Exp. Reimbursement	\$1,144.86	\$1,293.59
Total Pastoral Reimbursements		\$1,452.22	\$3,100.95
Payroll Expenses			
	Payroll Custodian	\$450.00	\$4,050.00.00
	Payroll Secretarial	\$609.50	\$5,292.92
	Secretarial Tax Paid in FICA-Paid to IRS	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total Secretarial tax paid in	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Payroll Taxes	\$46.62	\$408.84
	Payroll Expenses Other	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Payroll Expenses		\$1,106.12	\$9,751.00
Per Capita Worship		\$162.48	\$2,902.48
	Church Worship Supplies	\$33.80	\$299.10
	Music	\$0.00	\$303.17
	Organist/ Choir Director	\$100.00	\$100.00
	Pulpit Supply	\$150.00	\$1,987.37
Total Worship		\$283.80	\$2,689.64
Total Expense		\$11,490.88	\$127,564.32
Net Ordinary Income		<u>-2,355.72</u>	<u>-24,271.40</u>
Net Income		<u>-2,355.72</u>	<u>-24,271.40</u>

OTHER ASSETS

CD #10102917 at Salin	\$12,052.92
CD #10001088 at First Financial	\$12,000.00
CD # 10001469 at First Financial	\$12,000.00
CD # 17366761 at First Financial	\$12,000.00
CD# 10015667 at First Financial	\$12,000.00
CD# 17418167 at First Financial	\$9,000.00
CD #17490895 at First Financial	\$ 8,876.87
CD# 98667 at Salin	\$11,510.00

Total Other Assets \$ 89,439.79

<u>Account Balance</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2016</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2017</u>
Checking	\$44,623.05	\$20,975.66
Capital Fund	\$ 5,049.18	\$5,050.69
Pass Book Savings Memorial Account	\$14,841.16	\$15,185.63

Total Cash and Other Assets \$130,651.77

Joe Moss
Treasurer

Annual Report of the Session

Serving on the Session in 2017 were: Session Clerk - Laraine MacLauchlan, Moderator - Pastor Grace Hammer, Session members - Terry Langston, Tammy Moss, Joe Mayfield, Sally Schmidt and Barbara Wilkinson.

The Session met for 11 stated meetings. Two stated Congregational Meetings were held.

Church Membership:

Active membership December 31, 2016: 69

New Members: 0

Moved from Affiliate to Active Roll: 0

Moved by Letter of Transfer: 1

Affiliate Membership: 1

Deaths: 3

Active membership December 31, 2017: 54

*Respectfully submitted,
Laraine MacLauchlan*

Annual Report of the Congregational Life Committee

This committee is responsible to develop and organize congregational fellowship activities that address the needs of the congregation and to foster spiritual fellowship by inviting congregation members, and by also reaching out to local community members, to participate in small groups and congregational gatherings. Examples of these gatherings include church dinners, visitor outreach, fellowship meals or activities, birthday carry-ins, etc.

Committee members include Sally Schmidt, Kent King and Tammy Moss

A summary of our 2017 activities follows:

On Sunday, May 14, 2017 we enjoyed a Mother's Day breakfast cooked by the men of the church.

We enjoyed a Father's Day celebration which included cookies and breakfast casserole during fellowship time on Sunday, June 18, 2017.

Cutler Presbyterian hosted a shredding company on Aug 13, 2017 invited us to participate.

August 20, 2017 was the annual picnic at the Flora Park following the morning service.

The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation was celebrated with an anniversary cake during fellowship on October 29, 2017.

At a Congregational Life Committee meeting on Sunday, 11/19/17, additional volunteers joined us and we now have 8 members for the committee.

We enjoyed worship service with the congregation of Delphi Presbyterian Church at their church on December 31, 2017.

*Respectfully submitted,
Sally Schmidt and Tammy Moss, Co-Chairmen
Congregational Life Committee*

Annual Report of the Worship Committee

On January 1st, we gathered together at the Delphi Presbyterian Church at 9:30am to worship with Pastor Catherine Moran leading the service. A meal was provided by our host and enjoyed by all attending.

Our guest speaker for February 26 was Richard Voorhees. Pastor Grace was recovering from shingles.

Ash Wednesday service was held during Oasis on March 1st.

March 16-19, Pastor Grace attended the Lafayette Great Banquet.
Our guest speaker for March 19 was, Mark Good.

Maundy Thursday Service with Communion was held April 13 @ Cutler Presbyterian at 7p.m.

Pastor Grace was ill on April 23; our guest speaker was Toni Brewster.

Yaqub Masih from the National Day of Prayer and his team returned to Delphi for three days of intercessory prayer for the homicide investigation of Abigail Williams and Liberty German and for all Law Enforcement Officers involved. The prayer time was held at Delphi First Assembly of God:

Friday	May 5 th	8:30am – 4:00pm
Saturday	May 6 th	8:30am – 4:00pm
Sunday	May 7 th	12:00pm – 4:00pm

June 17th, ordination and installation of Pastor Grace was held at the Flora Presbyterian church with a reception immediately following.

July 2nd, communion was served to 17.

Due to the excessive rain we encountered, the annual Adams Mill service was held inside at the Cutler Presbyterian Church on Sunday, July 16th. A carry-in picnic was held after the service.

Communion was served on Sunday, August 6th to 25.

August 27, Joey Mayfield was our guest speaker.

Sunday, September 10 communion was served to 22. Home communion was served to 2 members by Pastor Grace.

de la Croix led us in worship on October 1 and communion was served to 31 by intinction with Pastor Grace.

October 22, Pastor Louis Sandos was our guest speaker.

Communion was served on November 5th to 22.

A called congregational meeting was held on November 19 to nominate Martha Clark and Kent King as the 2018 Session Members to replace Joe Mayfield and Terry Langston going off of Session.

On November 26th, Joey Mayfield was our guest speaker. Following the service on that day, it was the annual "Hanging of the Greens".

Due to technical difficulties, channel 2 was only able to record one Sunday in December.

The inclement weather (5 inches of snow) on December 24th caused our Christmas Eve 7 PM service to be cancelled.

Thank you to the volunteer voices for our choir that started in September. Our music played by Jane Kearns on the piano and Libby Sparks on the organ is such a blessing! Thank you for the many years you have been faithful to this congregation. Thank you to Joe Mayfield for his computer knowledge and helping with the service and recorded music that we play. We are integrating the electronic age into our service and his expertise is very much appreciated.

*Worship Committee Chairman,
Terry Langston*

Annual Report of the Trustees

2017 was thankfully a year we got to recover from all the projects and expenses that occurred in 2016. We did, however, get the opportunity to purchase two nice heavier duty stoves for the kitchen with money donated for them. They are used in some capacity nearly every week, and are vital to Oasis. The sump pump in the elevator was upgraded and as it turns out, needed desperately late this fall when 5 inches of rain fell in Flora. The subsequent water coming onto the new carpet was disappointing and pushed us to have Anderson Plumbing clean out our drainage lines from the sinks and then seal a floor drain in the hallway that had always overflowed from either rains or too much water drained out of the sinks.

Grass mowing, flower planting and watering; weed killing has all been done by the McGills for the last several years. They, sadly, are no longer able to do it and we will need to find their replacement before spring.

Sincerely,

Joe Mayfield, Chairman

Annual Report of the Presbyterian Women

Our purpose is to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible Study and to support the Mission of the Church worldwide as well as in our community. During the year, we have tried to keep close to our purpose. For our Bible Study, we chose “Who is Jesus?” and also used the magazine, Horizons, the Yearbook of Prayer, and contributed our Least Coins at each meeting. Our meetings opened and closed with prayer for those who need God’s love and healing.

We supported the Mission of the Church Worldwide with our pledge to the ongoing mission of Presbyterian Women. The National and Overseas Missions we sponsored and contributed to were the Birthday and Thank Offering, Presbyterian Disaster Relief, African Ambulance Mission, South Sudan Evangelical Mission, and a new garden well and pumps for a community in Ghana.

Local missions were: Oasis, Christmas Baskets, County Food Pantry, Helping Hand Fund, Religious Education and Students Services in the Carroll Schools, Buddy Bags, Church Camp Scholarships, Canine Division of the Sheriff’s Department and Kokomo Rescue Mission.

Each month all of the Mary Martha Circle women, and sometimes our men, work in the Community Thrift Shop. The donations, shoppers and income continue to increase. Six churches share ownership and pledge to give all their share of the profits to missions of their choosing. This year each share was \$5,300.00.

February is the month for our church to furnish needed supplies and workers at the Food Pantry on each Monday and Friday morning.

We welcome and invite all women of our church to attend the meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., March through November.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Bishop

Moderator of Presbyterian Women

Annual Treasurers' Report of the Presbyterian Women

Total Balance on Hand January 1, 2017 \$4,086.93

General Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 2017 \$ (20.07)

Receipts:

Gift \$250.00

Pledges \$205.00

Least Coin \$54.63

Total Receipts: \$509.63

Disbursements:

PW Pledge & Dues \$210.28

Birthday Offering \$545.00

Service Charge \$ 28.00

Stamps \$9.00

Total Disbursements: \$792.28

General Fund Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$ (302.72)

Thrift Shop

Balance on hand January 1, 2017 \$4,107.00

Receipts:

Thrift Shop Income \$5,300.00

Total Receipts: \$5,300.00

Disbursements:

African Ambulance Mission \$500.00

Camp Scholarship \$300.00

Carroll County Buddy Bags \$500.00

Carroll County Food Pantry \$100.00

Carroll County Religious Education \$300.00

Carroll County Sheriff Canines \$200.00

Carroll Schools Student Services \$500.00

Christmas Baskets \$ 300.00

Geetingsville Presbyterian Church \$150.00

Helping Hands (Psi Iota Xi) \$400.00

Kokomo Rescue Mission \$600.00

Oasis \$700.00

PC USA for Garden Well \$1,500.00

Presbyterian Disaster Relief \$900.00

South Sudan Evangelical Mission \$500.00 (Paul Both)

Thank Offering \$200.00

Total Disbursements: \$7,650.00

Thrift Shop Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$1,757.00

Total Balance for Presbyterian Women as of December 31, 2017 \$1,454.28

Christian Education Annual Report

Mission Statement:

Study the Word. Teach the Word. Live the Word.

We study God's Word – individual and communally – to grow into a mature faith.

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work" II Timothy 3:16-17

We teach God's Word – to bring people within our church and community to faith in Jesus and build disciples.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And Surely I am with you always to the very end of the age" Matthew 28:19-20

We live God's Word – as it transforms us to reflect His image. We are ministers of his Grace through our words and actions.

"... live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all the power according to his glories might so that you may have great endurance and patience..." Colossians 1:10-11

Serving on the Christian Education committee in 2017 were Martha Clark, Doug MacLauchlan, Barb Mayfield and Barbara Wilkinson. This committee oversees Sunday School, Junior Church, the nursery, Safe Child, Bible Studies and small groups, Vacation Bible School, our Oasis Ministry, library, involvement in Christian retreats, and anything that involves Christian discipleship and growth.

Sunday School

During the first few months of 2017, we were still looking at the book "Believe. Starting in September we studied some really awesome ways to lead others to Christ with the book "Just Walk Across the Room" We are finishing the year, looking at ways people of different social economic settings see life and there possible changes for success in the book A Framework for Understanding Poverty.

Oasis Ministry

From January – April, 2016, we finished our 15 year of Oasis still in the book of Believe. The 16th year of Oasis began with leaders, Barb Mayfield, Pastor Grace, Martha Clark, Joe Mayfield and Kevin Clark filling in as needed. A few mothers and grandmothers also helped, where needed. Our music during Worship time was led by Nick Root. Laurie Brower and Donna Sholty keep our weekly meals going with help from many volunteers: from our church, from Delphi Presbyterian, and from Cutler Presbyterian. Starting in September the children started looking at the Ways of the World versus the Way Gods is leading us to live our lives. Some of the hard topics we covered were Bullying, Suicide, Greed, and Materialism. Some fun extra activities we did that the children liked were bowling in February, swimming in April, putt-putt golf in August, hayride in November, and a Christmas celebration in December. Oasis would not be possible without everyone's help. We are so grateful for all the Volunteer Work and for the Financial Support of this Church, Cutler Presbyterian and Delphi Presbyterian.

Summer Camp

With the Mission Grant we had received in 2015 and with the much needed gifts from this congregation we sent 12 children to Geneva Camp in the summer of 2016. This is a marvelous way for the young children in our community to learn about God's Love.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School was started off with a Block Party on Saturday, June 10th, 2017 to introduce the VBS's Mission Project (African Ambulance Mission) which raised \$3,140.83. Working with First Christian Church and Cutler Presbyterian Church we hosted a week long VBS starting 6/11 through 6/18/2017. We continued the theme of Amazing Race, but visited new countries and learned new Bible Stories every night. The Curriculum was a joint venture of all three churches.

Annual Report of the Mission and Stewardship Committee

Again in 2017, like many faithful years in the past, we supported the Food Pantry, Oasis, Geneva Center summer camp, the Thrift Store, Vacation Bible School, One Great Hour of Sharing, the Christmas Joy Offering, the Birthday Offering, the Thank Offering, World Hunger Fund, the Presbyterian Disaster Relief Fund, and many local people in need through our Care Fund. One of the most interesting projects this year was our fund-raising event during VBS with Hassimi Tradore and his Ambulance for Africa mission. He is an amazing gentleman with a fascinating story of coming out of poverty. We raised over \$3,000 for the second ambulance he delivered to Fakina Fosa, his home country. Thank you all for your willingness to give. I know it is also the hope of many in our congregation to participate in a special “hands-on trip” to do mission work outside our local area. Be praying about that and other opportunities for mission work in 2018.

2017 Financial Summary:

1. Pledges and Contributions:	\$ 78,158
2. Income from all sources for 2017:	\$ 103,293
3. Expenses from all categories:	\$ 127,564
4. Net difference between Income and Expense:	- \$ 24,271
5. Designated Income (Camp, Care Fund, Flowers, Oasis, PDA):	\$ 17,846
6. Designated Expense (Same Categories):	\$ 15,034
7. Total Assets, all accounts:	\$ 132,000

As all of us are aware, our congregation is not a fan of continuous deficit spending. Thankfully, our pledges and contributions for 2018 are projected to be higher than in 2017. Additionally, 2018 will be a year where we begin the process of sharing Pastor Grace with the Delphi Presbyterian Church on a 50/50 basis. The benefits to both church's finances are profound. But it must be said that to prosper and grow both churches must embrace a willingness to change, trying new things in worship, thinking how to serve others in new ways, and be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Many in both congregations want to grow and prosper, but I will tell you this: “Change is hard.” All of us can envision what failure looks like; let's replace that with a vision of successful change.

2017 is now behind us. As we start 2018, and look forward to the projects and activities currently being planned, and those yet to surprise us, let's take a moment and say with a soft and willing heart, “Lord, use me in all of this, and help me set aside my old tired thinking and give me the energy to embrace change and look forward to the future.”

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2018 MINISTRY TEAMS

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION*BARBARA WILKINSON***STEWARDSHIP & MISSION****(FINANCE, PERSONNEL)***TAMMY MOSS***CONGREGATIONAL LIFE***SALLY SCHMIDT***WORSHIP***MARTHA CLARK***CLERK OF SESSION***LARAIN MACLAUHLAN***BUILDING AND GROUNDS***KENT KING*

2018 BUDGET - FLORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Personnel

Pastor's Salary	\$24,000.00
Deferred Income-Retirement 403b Account	\$3,000.00
Pastor's Housing Allowance	\$15,000.00
Pastor's Salary Total:	\$42,000.00

Pastor's SECA Allowance	\$0.00
Vouchered Car Exp. Reimbursement	\$1,000.00
Vouchered Business Exp. Reimbursement	\$500.00
Vouchered Cont. Ed. Exp. Reimbursement	\$1,340.00
Vouchered Moving Expense	
Vouchered Medical Expense Reimbursement	\$0.00
Reimbursement Total:	\$2,840.00

Health Ins. and Pension	\$15,500.00
Total Pastor's Call - All Categories	\$60,340.00

Custodial Care Inside & Outside	\$4,000.00
Custodial Total:	\$4,000.00

Secretarial Payroll	\$6,000.00
FICA Withholding	\$400.00
State, County Tax Withholding	
Secretarial Total:	\$6,400.00

Building and Grounds

Maintenance, Repairs	\$5,000.00
Insurance	\$3,000.00
Fuel & Utilities	\$4,000.00
Telephone/Internet/Website	\$1,500.00
Office Supplies, Printing, Postage	\$4,500.00
Church Audit/Review	\$0.00
Kitchen/Janitorial Supplies	\$1,000.00
Building and Grounds Total:	\$19,000.00

Per Capita	\$2,500.00
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Missions

Carroll County Church Ministries	\$500.00
Presbyterian Mission Causes	\$2,400.00
Undesignated Mission Causes	\$1,100.00
Mission Total:	\$4,000.00

Worship

Pulpit Supply/Mileage	\$1,000.00
Music	\$300.00
Worship Supplies	\$300.00
Organists/Choir Director	\$300.00
Pastor Nominating Committee Expenses	\$0.00
Worship Total:	\$1,900.00

Christian Education

Church School(including Jr. Church)	\$250.00
OASIS	\$300.00
Library	\$200.00
Vacation Bible School	\$500.00
Christian Education Total:	\$1,250.00

Congregational Life

Local Evangelism/Fellowship Activities	\$500.00
Congregational Life Total:	\$500.00
TOTAL BUDGET:	\$99,890.00