



FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WEST PITTSTON
ANNUAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

REPORTS FOR 2017

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PASTOR'S REPORT 2017

According to the notes on my calendar, 2017 began with a number of practical steps to bring our shared home, "The Institute," into the twenty-first century. Our own address was recognized by the U.S. Postal Service, and with an established address we were able to arrange for both phone and internet service. As the year progressed, we were also able to install on-demand hot water heaters in the restrooms, reconfigure a kitchen sink to accommodate large pots and mop buckets, and eliminate frozen kitchen pipes thanks to heat tapes. One last major improvement came by way of Benjamin Klapproth's Eagle Scout project which found Ben and a crew of helpers removing and replacing the stoop and steps that serve as the rear entrance to the Institute. In addition, the sheds leading to the basement and pantry were given a fresh coat of paint.

In April we took a series of steps to reorganize our life as a congregation in light of new realities facing churches everywhere. In recognition of changing patterns of participation in the life of the church, we reduced the size and shape of our church boards, combining the work of the Elders and Trustees into what is known as a unicameral Session, which will eventually consist of six Ruling Elders. The number of individuals serving on the Board of Deacons was also reduced from nine to six. Revised by-laws were adopted to make these changes possible, and to reflect changes in the Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.). Our transition will continue into 2018 as we develop a Manual of Operations to guide the life of the church.

The blessing of our shared space arrangement with the Wyoming Presbyterian Church was evidenced by our use of the sanctuary for Funeral and Memorial Services, including times for families to greet relatives and friends, and gathering in the Institute for fellowship and refreshments. Our connection to the people of the Wyoming Church deepened as we gathered under a tent in "The Grove" on Pentecost Sunday in June for worship and Holy Communion, and as the two congregations hosted a meeting of the Presbytery of Lackawanna in November, complete with a delicious dinner served in the Institute. Together we also hosted worship on Ash Wednesday, welcoming friends from 2nd Presbyterian Church in Pittston, Good Friday, with the participation of the pastors from Methodist Churches from both Wyoming and West Pittston, and on Christmas Eve, as the Methodists from across the street joined us.

Historic mission commitments continued as the Deacons sponsored Blanket Sunday, coordinated the Salvation Army Angel Tree and Adopt-a-Family giving at Christmas, fed the men of Mother Teresa's Haven, and shuttled the blue tub of donated food to local food pantries. In addition to the collection of hats, scarves, gloves and sox, the Women's Association organized an Ugly Quilting Bee, and added a new project by joining with the Montrose Presbyterian Church in sending sewing machines, material, clothing, and other supplies to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. We provided volunteers to help Meals on Wheels shelve the gifts they received from the Postal Worker's Food Drive in May and several teams to serve dinner at the St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre. Together with the Wyoming congregation, we filled 5 Clean-Up buckets and put together 27 Hygiene kits for Church World Service in response to devastating hurricanes. In December, the Session distributed benevolence gifts to mission projects near and far, above and beyond our General Mission commitments.

I am thankful for the privilege of serving alongside the people whose practice of the teachings of Jesus Christ includes worshiping and serving as part of this vital congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
James E. Thyren, Pastor

Report of the Clerk of Session – 2017

The Session of the First United Presbyterian Church of West Pittston is composed of the pastor and nine elders. The elders, who are chosen by the congregation, provide leadership, governments and discipline for the church. The Session meets the second Thursday of each month and whenever there is a special need. The meetings are very interesting and informative as the church business and challenges are administered with God's guidance. The current elders are:

Class of 2017	Walter Harding Marge Zeigler Marge Rosa
Class of 2018	Linda Houck Bettie Ann Morgan Katie Orlando
Moderator	Rev. James E. Thyren

Committee Representation for 2017 as follows:

Worship & Music	Bettie Ann Morgan
Congregational Life, Growth & Nurture	Walter Harding
Mission & Stewardship	Linda Houck
Buildings & Grounds	John Coolbaugh
Nominating	Harry Skene
Personnel	Dan Klaproth, John Coolbaugh
Presbytery Delegates	Bettie Ann Morgan
Church Treasurers	Lynne Bierly
Auditor	Harry Skene
Financial Secretary	Linda Houck
Assistant Financial Secretary	Sharon Harding
Endowment Commission	Anthony Dombroski Bettie Ann Morgan Marge Rosa

Elders as of April 2017

Class of 2017	Walter Harding Marge Rosa
Class of 2018	Linda Houck Bettie Ann Morgan John Coolbaugh Rod Rodriguez
Class of 2019	Dan Klaproth

Total Communicant Members – January 1, 2017		166
Losses:		
Letter of Transfer		
Death	5	
Total Losses	5	5
		161
Additions:		
Total Active Communicants – December 31, 2017		161

Baptisms

Bryn Morgan Ciechoski January 29, 2017

Funerals

Harry Skene	February 1, 2017
John E. Golecki	June 19, 2017
Fern Klapproth	July 29, 2017
E. Ronald Rogers	August 14, 2017
Joseph Kuchta	September 20, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Klapproth
Clerk of Session

STEWARSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

Number of Pledges received as of December 31, 2017	22
Total Members represented by Pledges	39
Total amount pledged as of December 31, 2017	\$42,812.00

Budget for 2018	\$162,533.00
Pledges for 2018	\$ 42,812.00
Short of Budget Pledged	\$120,501.00
Percent of Budget pledged	26%

COMPARISON WITH PLEDGES FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Increased	9
Same	10
Decreased	2
New	1
Pledged in 2017 but not in 2018	9
Boxes of enveloped distributed	49

Respectfully Submitted,

Stewardship Committee

Walter Harding

Katie Orlando

Treasurer

Lynne P. Bierly

Financial Secretary

Linda R. Houck

Board of Deacons
Report to Congregation for 2017

The Board of Deacons serves the congregation and the community by providing support to those in need. Whether it's visiting our shut-ins from our church, preparing college care packages to those who are away at school, or during the holidays making gift baskets for our homebound members.

During 2017, the Board of Deacons organized the 6th Annual Soup Off for our congregation and invited the members of the Wyoming Church to attend. We held the Strawberry Festival in June of this year also. We also received a lot of help from members of our congregation.

At the end of the year, the Deacons participate in multiple programs to assist those in need. We adopted a family through the Salvation Army; buying food, gifts and making it so the family didn't go without for the holidays. We also participate in the Angel Tree for the Salvation Army where members of our congregation help in giving toys/clothes to children in need.

Our congregation helps with funding the Board of Deacons with our loose plate offering on communion Sundays, proceeds of the food/baked goods stand at the Strawberry Festival, gifts or donations from fellowship dinners and Church World Service Sunday along with individual donations by members of our congregation.

The Board of Deacons often have to work short-handed due to work or scheduling conflicts, the current Deacons are grateful to the Deacon alumni and the youth of the church for all their help preparing for events and donating their time.

2017 Officers:

Beth Christ & Christine Fazio, Co-Moderators

Shirley Todd, Treasurer

Melissa Harding, Secretary

2017 Deacons

Shirley Todd	Amy Gromel
Melissa Harding	Christine Fazio
Daria Klaproth	Beth Christ

BOARD OF DEACONS FINANCIAL REPORT 2017

Beginning Balance January 1, 2017 **\$1,005.18**

RECEIPTS

Communion	\$ 97.00
Soup Off Contributions	43.00
Strawberry Festival	936.50
Church World Service Blankets	<u>205.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS **\$1,281.50** **\$1,281.50**

DISBURSEMENTS

Communion Expense	(10.76)
Soup Off Expense	(63.42)
Strawberry Festival Expense	(508.00)
Food Bank CEO)	(200.00)
Church Picnic	(43.00)
Gift Cards	(200.00)
Church World Service Blankets	(250.00)
College Packs	(71.58)
Homeless Meal	(48.30)
Adopt a Family gifts and food	<u>(242.32)</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS **(\$ 1,637.38)** **(\$1,637.38)**

ENDING BALANCER DECMBER 31, 2017 **\$ 649.30**

Women's Association
Secretary's Report

The Women's Association was founded to promote fellowship and spiritual growth among its members and is a part of national program Presbyterian Women. It meets four times a year and the Circle meets at 9:00 AM on the second Wednesday of the month. It is not necessary to be a member of the circle to be a part of the association.

In March we held our Spring Luncheon and our guest speaker was Tara Ahearn, speaking about her job at Catholic Social Services as a parent and student success worker.

In May we held our Spring Covered Dish, which was opened to everyone in both congregations to hear our guest speakers Joe, Sandy and Carol from the Montrose Presbyterian Church speak about the living conditions of the residents of the Pine Grove Indian Reservation. Our congregation collected clothing, toiletries, 3 sewing machines and monetary donations.

In September, our guest speaker was Betty Jane Ahearn who spoke on the dangers of third hand smoke residue.

The Association collects hats, scarfs, socks and gloves from September through January to be donated to Ruth's Place, Mother Teresa's Haven & Domestic Violence. Thank you for all your donations.

Some of the activities we did this year was to provide the "Our Daily Bread" pamphlets for the sanctuary, baked cakes for the Strawberry Festival. Thanks to Wyoming Presbyterian Church we were able to hold our Annual Rummage Sale which was a huge success. At the end of the year, we were able to give a gift to many charities.

We invite all the women of the church to join us in any or all activities. We have a lot of fun.

The following served as officers of the Women's Association for 2017:

President- Marge Rosa
Vice President – Peg Gravell
Treasurer- Dottie Rodriguez
Secretary- April Harding

Respectfully submitted,

April J. Harding
Secretary

Women's Association

Financial Report

Balance, January 1, 2017		\$712.00
RECEIPTS:		
Circle Contributions and Gifts	580.28	
Rummage Sale	719.45	
Rummage Sale Reimbursement	165.00	
Calendar Sales 2017	215.00	
Transferred from PNC Bank	937.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$2,616.73	\$2,616.73
	TOTAL	\$3,328.73
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Rummage Sale Change	165.00	
FUPC Advertising (2016)	56.74	
FUPC Advertising (2017)	54.99	
Catholic Social Services (2)	100.00	
Camp Scholarship	400.00	
Presbyterian Church of Montrose	150.00	
First United Methodist Food Pantry	100.00	
Salvation Army	100.00	
Ruth's Place	100.00	
Pastors Discretionary Fund	200.00	
Care & Concern St. John's	100.00	
Hunger Fund - Check cashed in 2018		\$125.00
St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen	100.00	
PNC to Fidelity Change over	937.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$2,563.73	\$2,563.73
Balance, December 31, 2017		\$765.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Dottie Rodriguez
Treasurer

Sunday School Superintendent's Report 2017

Following the church's Mission statement, the Sunday School of the First United Presbyterian Church of West Pittston seeks to proclaim the Good News of a Gracious God and to form a community of Christians to be Christ's hands and feet in daily life. To that end, we teach and learn about Jesus through regular Sunday classes for all ages and participate in special programs and mission activities throughout the year.

The staff which finished the 2016-2017 Sunday School year was as follows:

Preschool and Elementary – Michelle Klapproth, BJ Ahearn
Grade 6 and up – Jim Thyren
Adults – Dan Klapproth

During the first several months of 2017, the children learned stories about Jesus' life. Sunday School was off for the summer.

In late September, we held a kick-off breakfast. The children began the school year by learning the Apostle's Creed and more fully discovering its meaning. During Advent, we learned more about of the Birth of Jesus. BJ Ahearn and Michelle Klapproth were the instructors. In fall 2017, the adults began a series of studies based on Jesus Calling by Sarah Young.

Sunday School attendance was mostly steady from last year, but we did pick up a few new faces.

The staff and students of the Sunday School wish to thank the parents and members of the church for their support and encouragement. Please continue to pray for our children, our Sunday School and our church while we learn about God and try to seek His will.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Klapproth

2017 Choir Report

We in the Chancel Choir want to thank the members of our congregation for your support and encouragement each Sunday. It is truly a labor of love for us; we enjoy singing, but it is so much better when you enjoy listening to us as well!!

This year we were privileged to provide special music for worship services both inside and outdoors. We offered an anthem at the funeral of Ron Rogers, one of our beloved long-time members, and our Choir Tenor for many years.

We use both the organ and the Clavinova for accompaniment. The Clavinova works really well in the summer, when the choir loft is VERY hot. It also lets us sing music that is written in a key that is too high for our voices.

We were able to offer some special instrumental music, through duets with Beth Christ on Clavinova and Jan Thyren (me) on the organ, that were enjoyed by all

We were very blessed to receive a special gift this year from the Malone family to buy choir music in memory of Pat Malone, our Choir Soprano Leader and Soloist for many years. We still miss Pat, and are grateful to her family for helping us to provide new music offerings.

We practice every Tuesday evening at 6:30, and work hard, but have a lot of fun. We invite you to come sign with us, and "Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord"!

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Thyren
Organist and Choir Director

2017 Board of Trustees

President's Report

The Trustees of the First United Presbyterian Church have the following authority:

“To receive, hold, encumber, manage and transfer property, real and personal, for the church: to accept and execute deeds of title to such property: to manage any permanent special funds for furtherance of the purpose of the church, all subject to the authority of the session, and under the provisions of the constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA)”

Book of Order G.7-0401

President: Dan Klapproth

Vice President: John Coolbaugh

Secretary: Erin Viglione

Members: Rod Rodriguez, Dottie Rodriguez, Joe Francoeur

In the first quarter of 2017, our Board of Trustees held its last meeting as a stand-alone board. In the 2017 congregational meeting, our congregation voted to return to a unicameral board, the Session, with care of the building and grounds by a Trustee/Building and Grounds Committee. During the April 2017 Session meeting, John Coolbaugh was elected Trustee/President of the Corporation. Elder Rod Rodriguez will also serve on the Trustee/Building and Grounds Committee.

The major projects undertaken in 2017 were to:

- Remove several more trees behind the Institute to make room for additional parking.
- Add additional modified stone in the parking area behind the Institute.
- Plumbing upgrades to the Institute.
 - Add heat tape to kitchen sink supply lines to prevent pipes from freezing.
 - Replace kitchen faucet to one with extendable spray hose for bucket filling.
 - Add point-of-use water heaters to institute bathrooms.
 - Replace leaking water shut-off valves in basement.

Throughout the year, several work parties were held at the Institute to clear, clean and maintain the Institute and the grounds around it.

The Trustees were pleased to approve and see the completion of Ben Klapproth's Eagle Scout project in August. The scope of the project included removing and replacing the back deck and stairs at the Institute, as well as repainting the exterior of the enclosed kitchen porch and the shed leading to the basement.

We continue to be thankful to the members and session of the Wyoming Presbyterian Church for sharing their space with us. We look to continue to be good stewards of the space we share.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Klapproth, President (at the time of the dissolution of the Board of Trustees)

First United Presbyterian Church - West Pittston PA

Treasurer's Report as of December 2017

Thursday, January 18, 2018

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Account Name	YTD Balance	Annual Budget
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<i>Income</i>		
1 Great Hour of Sharing	408.00	
Ash Wednesday	125.00	
Camp Scholarship Contribution	(80.00)	
Christmas Joy Offering	251.00	
Christmas Offering Envelopes	227.00	
E Script	72.28	
Easter Offering Envelopes	270.00	
Easter Plants	241.00	
Flea Market Receipts	1,214.48	
Food Pantry Contributions	474.00	
Initial Offering Envelopes	146.00	
Lackawanna Presbytery Dinner	140.26	
Loose Plate Offering	987.03	
Memorials	8,685.00	
Pasta Fundraiser	156.70	
Per Capita Envelopes	1,349.00	
Pledges (10%)	14,723.60	
Pledges (90%)	51,511.40	
Poinsettias	263.00	
Souper Bowl Contributions	251.10	
Special Contrib Benevolence	325.00	
Thanksgiving Offering Envelope	185.00	
Transfer to Cur Ex frm Endow	81,000.00	
Trustee's Bldg Fund Envelopes	1,255.00	
Vacation Bible School Contrib	25.00	
Youth Account	347.46	
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Total Income	\$164,553.31	
<i>Expense</i>		
1 Great Hour Sharing Expense	408.00	
Advertising	749.71	1,000.00
Ash Wednesday Expense	125.00	
Budgeted Transfer Trustee Acct	2,400.00	2,400.00
CCLI Music License	175.00	175.00
Choir Music	25.08	100.00
Christian Education Expense	275.74	400.00
Church - Telephone	127.43	
Church Office Expense	4,155.65	4,000.00
Church Secretary's Salary	9,680.06	9,680.00
Church Sexton's Salary	2,188.80	2,500.00
Financial Secretary Stipend	1,000.00	1,000.00
Flea Market Expense	550.00	
Flowers	531.00	
Food Pantry from Contributions	474.00	
General Mission	6,000.00	6,000.00
Institute - Electric	966.91	2,500.00
Institute - heating	1,950.80	3,000.00
Institute - Sanitary Authority	225.50	250.00
Institute - snow removal	200.00	200.00

First United Presbyterian Church - West Pittston PA

Treasurer's Report as of December 2017

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Account Name	YTD Balance	Annual Budget
Institute - water	377.16	600.00
Institute Expenses	401.86	250.00
Institute-Telephone	1,596.60	2,000.00
Insurance	3,163.00	5,000.00
Local Church Programming	26.00	600.00
Manse - Electricity	1,102.62	1,600.00
Manse - Heating	1,693.00	2,200.00
Manse - Sanitary Authority	220.00	250.00
Manse - Sewer Maintenance Fee	260.00	260.00
Manse - Telephone	601.33	800.00
Manse - Water	769.89	800.00
Manse Taxes	740.41	900.00
Memorials Expense Account	8,685.00	
Miscellaneous Benevolence	8,373.60	
Miscellaneous Current Expense	2,142.13	2,500.00
Organist/Choir Director Salary	8,238.10	8,238.00
Pastor's Automobile Allowance	2,038.13	2,000.00
Pastor's Death & Disability	688.32	688.00
Pastor's Dental Insurance	905.28	905.00
Pastor's Major Medical	16,863.96	16,864.00
Pastor's Medical Deductible	1,106.19	1,376.00
Pastor's Pension	7,571.52	7,571.00
Pastor's Professional Expense	216.39	500.00
Pastor's Salary	52,947.96	52,948.00
Pastor's Social Sec Allowance	3,000.14	3,002.00
Pastor's Study Leave Allowance	869.57	1,000.00
Per Capita Apportionment	5,221.20	5,406.00
Personnel FICA-Church portion	1,537.91	1,562.00
Pulpit Supply	300.00	600.00
Salvation Army	700.00	700.00
Souper Bowl Expense	251.10	
Substitute Musician	120.00	300.00
Supplies-Treasurer/Finan Sec	514.83	600.00
Treasure Stipend	911.12	1,000.00
Trustee's Building Fund Expens	1,255.00	
Vacation Bible School	300.00	300.00
Website	275.89	300.00
Worship Expense - Misc	197.48	600.00
Total Expense	\$168,391.37	\$157,425.00
Difference	<u>(\$3,838.06)</u>	<u>(\$157,425.00)</u>

Annual Report 2017

2017 Income/Expense Summary

Opening Balance, January 1, 2017	\$ 8,300.35
Total Income and Transfers for 2017	164,553.31
December Payroll Taxes	(66.91)
Total Expenses for 2017	(168,391.37)
Local Taxes to be paid January 2018	213.62
Ending Balance, December 31, 2017	<u>\$ 4,609.00</u>

2017 Major Improvement Account

Opening Balance, January 1, 2017	\$121,406.32
Total Income for 2017	4,206.45
Total Expenses for 2017	(6,775.96)**
Ending Balance, December 31, 2017	<u>\$118,836.81</u>

**Expenditures for the institute

New locks throughout, Parking Lot, Tree work,
Plumbing, Eagle Scout Project

2017 Endowment Fund Account

Opening Balance, January 1, 2017	\$513,904.38
Memorials (\$470 additional in January 2018)	8,215.00
Transfers to current expenses and fees	(95,886.64)
Change in value	55,839.61
Ending Balance, December 31, 2017	<u>\$482,072.35</u>

2018 Estimated Income

Pledges	\$42,812.00
Over Pledge & Non-pledge Envelopes	3,174.00
Loose Plate	987.03
Initial Offering	146.00
Per Capita Envelopes	1,349.00
Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas	682.00
Esript and Pasta fundraiser	228.98
Flea Market Receipts	1,214.48
Total Estimated Income	<u>\$50,593.49</u>
2018 Estimated Budget Expenses	(162,533.00)
Difference	<u>\$(111,939.51)</u>

Income is estimated by using amount actually pledged for 2018. All other numbers are based on actual income for 2017.

Over Pledge & Non-pledged amount is the difference between 2017 pledges and actual envelope (pledges and non-pledges) income.

The "Difference" will have to be made up by additional contributions or from the Endowment Fund Account.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynne Bierly
Treasurer

First United Presbyterian Church of West Pittston

Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2017

CURRENT ASSETS

General Checking	\$ 4,609
Trustees' Account	118,837
Endowment Fund Account	<u>482,072</u>
TOTAL	\$605,518

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Payroll Taxes	\$214
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FIXED ASSETS

Manse	\$181,000
Pianos	40,000
Clavinova	4,000
Office Furnishings	<u>3,500</u>

TOTAL FIXED ASSETS \$228,500

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$214

NET WORTH \$833,804

TOTAL ASSETS \$834,018

LIABILITIES + NET
WORTH \$834,018

Seventy-Second Statement of the Endowment Fund
 First United Presbyterian Church of West Pittston
 2017

Receipts:		
Dividend / Interest Account - 4266		\$55,839.61
Dividend / Interest Account -0331		51.45
Endowment / Memorial Gifts: 37 totaling		\$8235.00
Hugh H. Malone Sr.		
*Fern Klaproth		
E. Ronald Rogers		
** Helen B. Rogers		
Harry Skene		
TOTAL		<u>\$64,126.06</u>
Disbursements:		
Fees for Account- 4266		\$5,886.64
<u>Transfer to Current Expense:</u>		
Endowment Income		\$90,000.00
Account- 0331 Expenses paid		\$6,775.96
TOTAL		<u>\$102,662.60</u>

Footnotes:

*Fern Klaproth gave a bequest through her will.

**Bettie Ann Morgan gave a memorial gift last year and it was included in our reporting.

Endowment Fund Account Balances

Account Number	12 / 31 /16	12/31/17
4266	\$513,904.38	\$482,0772.35
0331	\$121,406.32	\$118,836.81
TOTAL	<u>\$635,310.70</u>	<u>\$600,909.16</u>

Footnotes:

\$200.00 a month is transferred to account 0331 as an expense.

Account 0331 is also funded from contributions placed in the building fund envelopes.

Respectfully submitted,

The Endowment Commission
 Anthony Dombroski
 Marge Rosa
 Bettie Ann Morgan
 Lynne Bierly

ENDOWMENT FUND

			Mrs. Clara Renfer Bierly	2008	Margaret Pugliese
		1981	Mrs. Jean Fatzinger		Helen Baird Rogers
1935	Mr. W. L. Foster		Mr. Robert Scrimgeour		Kenneth W. Hitchner, Sr.
1950	Dr. Richard Brenton	1982	Mrs. Marjorie Law		Mark Dushok
	Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bierly		Mr. and Mrs. Norman Evans		Margaret Whyte
	Mrs. Fannie Staley	1984	Mr. James B. Law, Jr.		Letha Kaufman
	Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tench		Mr. Harry Greenawald	2009	Pat Hein
	Mrs. Sarah H. MacMillan	1985	Margaret G. Miller		Margaret Whyte
1951	Caroline and Mary Bennett	1986	Mr. and Mrs. Theodore S. Miller		Margaret Pugliese
1952	Mr. Frederick Carter		Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas P. Clauson		Paul Gravell
	Mrs. E. P. Dickey		Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Weeks		Helen Baird Rogers
	William I. and Sarah Laird Hibbs	1987	Anna Y. Weeks	2010	Pat Hein
	Mr. J. A. Hitchner		George W. Adelaide W. Maschal		Margaret Pugliese
	William L. and Jean Law Watson		Millie Web, Robert & Anna Ellis		Elmer Weiskerger
1954	Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hayes		Mabel P. Sharkey		Helen Baird Rogers
	Mr. Charles Sharkey		Eleanor S. Pugh	2011	Helen Baird Rogers
1955	Miss Bertha Rosencrans	1988	S. Archibald Shoemaker		Mary M. Rogers
1956	Mrs. Elizabeth French		Marlyn VanDuzer		Heather Buckousis
	Mrs. Fannie Law		Elizabeth K. Davies Estate		Ann VanDuzer
1957	Mr. and Mrs. James Watson	1989	Robert Eckhart	2012	Helen Baird Rogers
	Mr. Eugene Woodring Bierly		Jean Ruddy		Margaret Pugliese
	Mr. Dwight Decker		Leo Crici	2013	Patricia Malone
	Miss Elizabeth Koch		Mary Margaret Fisher		Shawn Malone
1958	Mrs. Mabel MacMillian	1990	Elsie Ellis		Linda Beatty
	Mrs. W. L. Foster		John E. Ruddy		Helen Baird Rogers
1959	Miss Lilian Davies	1991	Mrs. Grace Richards	2014	Helen Baird Rogers
	Anonymous	1992	Mrs. Anne Boorum		Edith Hein Stringer
1960	Mr. Alex Mitchell		Mrs. Marjorie Shepler	2015	Robert Anderson
1962	Mr. Ernest Hayes		Martha Bierly Keller		Velma Valentine
1963	Miss Mary King	1993	Carlyle C. Carney		Sara Willoughby
1964	Mrs. Rose Fordham	1994	C. Evert Sharkey		Edith Todd
	Mr. and Mrs. John MacGuffie		Esther Penaligon		Helen B. Rogers
1965	Mrs. Sarah Streng	1995	Edith Green	2016	Helen B. Rogers
	Miss Isabell Watson		Margaret James	2017	E. Ronald Rogers
1966	Miss Mary Williams	1996	Daniel Tambur		Helen B. Rogers
1967	Mrs. David Howell	1997	Daniel Tambur		Harry Skene
	Mrs. Margaret Smiles	1998	William C. Todd		Hugh Malone, Sr.
1968	Dr. Rufus Bierly		Geraldine W. Jones		Fern Klaproth
	Charles Ernest Hayes		Albert Godown		
	Mrs. Mary Howard		Ruth T. Hayes		
1969	Mrs. Alex Mitchell		Richard S. Brenton & Jean J. Brenton		
	James and Kathryn Scrimgeour		Ernest Hayes		
1970	Mrs. Anna Hibbs Allan		Daniel Tambur		
	Women's Association		Margaret Pugliese		
	Endowment Fund	1999	Daniel Tambur		
1971	Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bevan		William C. Todd		
	Mr. Frank Weeks		Richard S. Brenton & Jean J. Brenton		
	Mr. Robert MacArt		Elmer K. Armstrong		Endowment Commission
	Rev. Donald MacMillan		James J. Woods, III		Anthony Dombroski
1972	Mr. Charles I. MacGuffie		Isabel Weeks		Bettie Ann Morgan
	Mrs. Donald B. Foster	2000	Daniel Tambur		Marge Rosa
	Mr. Charles Earley	2001	Daniel Tambur		
1973	Miss Isabel Scrimgeour and	2003	William Algar		
	Mr. Robert Scrimgeour		Louise Hart		
1974	Mis Elizabeth Moffatt		David Woods		
	Mr. James P. Moffatt		Anne Evans Woods		
	Helen Moffatt		Tom & Marjorie Ohl		
	Miss Geneva Bierly		John & Bessie Hein		
	Mr. Loren Jones	2004	Theresa Crisci		
	Mr. Robert Comstock		Pat Hein		
	Mr. James Penaligon		Tom & Marjorie Ohl		
1975	Anonymous		Margaret Pugliese		
	Mrs. Charles B. Sharkey		Helen Baird Rogers		
	Mrs. Thomas B. Wyllie		George Thompson		
	Mrs. Robert MacArt	2005	Daniel & Barbara Tambur		
1976	Anonymous		Helen Baird Rogers		
	Mrs. Lucy Sutherland Hays		Pat Hein		
	Mrs. James Penaligon		Edwin & Bessie Rogers		
	Mr. Josef Bennett Hayes		Horace & Clara Rogers		
	Miss Laura Jean Hayes	2006	Helen Baird Rogers		
1977	Anonymous		Sarah Grey		
	Miss Norine MacGuffie		Jack Thomas		
	Bess Evans Estate		Pat Hein		
	Mrs. James Law	2007	Howard Baird, Sr.		
1978	Donald B. Foster		Helen Baird Rogers		
1979	Donald B. Foster		Mark Dushok		
	Jane Dana Berry		George & Ethel Bittinger		
	Glenn Carpenter		Pat Hein		
1980	Mrs. Dorothy Hewitt Armstrong	2008	Robert Baird		
			Pat Hein		

IN MEMORIAM

“Thank God, The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, that in his great mercy we men have been born again into a life full of hope, through Christ’s rising from the dead.”

Harry Skene February 1, 2017
United with this congregation, October 14, 2012

John Edward Golecki June 19, 2017
United with this congregation, May 22, 1994

Fern Klaproth July 19, 2017
United with this congregation, April 19, 1984

E. Ronald Rogers August 14, 2017
United with this congregation, March 26, 1922

Joseph Kuchta September 10, 2017
United with this congregation, December 20, 1992

“Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord henceforth.”
“Blessed indeed” says the Spirit, “That they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them.”

Our Ministry

The Congregation working as
Ministers in Christ's Service
assisted by...

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Linda Houck	Bettie Ann Morgan
John Coolbaugh	Rod Rodriguez
Daniel Klaproth	
Walter Harding	Marge Zeigler

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and
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