



ANNUAL REPORT 2017

"We give thanks unto Thee, O God" ~ Psalm 75:1

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Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Call to Order with Prayer by the Moderator
Reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting
Reports
Election of Nominating Committee for 2018
(4 members elected by and of the congregation)
Old Business
New Business
Adjournment with Prayer

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CORPORATION MEETING

Call to Order with Prayer by the Chairperson Don Wong
Reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting
Reports
Old Business
New Business
Adjournment with Prayer
Benediction
Closing Prayer

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MISSION STATEMENT

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABSECON IS A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND FAMILY DEVOTED TO FOLLOWING GOD'S WORD AND SPREADING HIS LOVE THROUGH WORSHIP, FAMILY MINISTRY, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, MISSION AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. TOGETHER, WITH CHRIST, WE STRIVE FOR THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND TO BE A SOURCE OF COMFORT FOR ALL. ~ adopted by the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Absecon on September 5, 1995

From Your Temporary Supply Pastor

“For surely I know the plans I have for you,” says the LORD, “plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

I am thankful that God has brought us together. It has been an honor and pure joy to lead you in worship and to serve you these past few months.

What I cherish most about our shared ministry here at Absecon is Sunday worship. I love the Word of God and sharing it with you. I love our singing and praying together. I love sharing stories with the new friends I’ve made here. I love the children, never knowing what they may say and do, and learning more about my faith through them. I particularly cherish sharing the bread and cup – the body and blood of Christ, with you on Communion Sunday. Thank you for making Pat and I feel so welcome and loved.

Each and every one of you, in your own unique and loving way has ministered to Pat and I more than you will ever know. You have become the church family we love and miss so in our retirement.

Your beloved Absecon is a great church. God’s presence is plain and evident through your gracious and welcoming spirits. I hope you have grown in your faith as much as I have grown in mine during the short time we have spent together.

So keep the faith. Continue to love and care for one another. Continue to be kind to and patient with one another during this time of transition and change. Continue to reach out to others in your community, particularly the lonely, the shut-in, the hurting and the hungry. Don’t let anything stop you from worshipping and fellowshiping together. Do this, and I know that God will continue to bless you individually and as a church with an overflowing abundance.

Thank you for the privilege of being your temporary leader. But always remember, Absecon is your church and God has great plans for it. God has great plans for you and yours. I just know it.

In Christ’s amazing love,

Pastor Ivo

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF SESSION

Membership as of 12/31/16: 217

Members added by:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|---|
| Profession of Faith | 3 | |
| Certificate | 1 | |
| Other | 0 | 4 |
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Members removed by:

| | | |
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| Certificate | -2 | |
| Death | -1 | |
| Other | 0 | -3 |
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Membership as of 12/31/17: 218

Baptisms:

| | |
|-------|---|
| Child | 3 |
| Adult | 1 |

Active Officers:

| | |
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| Elders | 9 |
| Trustees | 6 |
| Deacons | 9 |

Communion Services:

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 01/01 - 6/18/17 (5 services) | 493 |
| 06/25 - 9/03/17 (3 services) | 138 |
| 09/10-12/31/17 (3 weeks) | 307 |
| Total Communicants: | <hr/> <hr/> 938 |

Church Attendance:

| | | Total | Average |
|----------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------|
| 01/01 - 6/18/17 (24 weeks) | 10:00 AM | 2267 | 94 |
| 06/25 - 9/03/17 (11 weeks) | 10:00 AM | 836 | 76 |
| 09/10-12/31/17 (17 weeks) | 10:00 AM | 1602 | 94 |
| Totals: | | <hr/> <hr/> 4705 | 90 |

Special Services:

| | | |
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| Christmas Eve | 6:00 PM | 107 |
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Respectfully Submitted,
Linda A. Gillis, Clerk

Administrative Assistant

This position continues to prove to be a challenge as office needs change.

The usual typing includes various letters and reports as needed, weekly bulletins & PowerPoint slides, announcements, and inserts, and the monthly newsletter.

The Presby Post is a look ahead to the coming week that is currently emailed on Fridays to 125 individuals. This publication and the Good News are sent as PDF files to Ken Marshall who uploads them onto our church website. Ken also uploads various forms for things such as altar flowers, the reimbursement form, address updates, and seasonal forms as needed. These are added as links to our front page. Many thanks, Ken, for all your help!

Weekly Home Touch mailings are currently mailed to 16 shut-ins. This number varies as members' situations change. The Home Touch includes a weekly devotion and word puzzle which follow the Sunday text.

As secretary of cemetery records, time was spent arranging for and recording five interments. There were also several requests for assistance in locating graves. Work continues in updating cemetery records into an electronic file and adding photographs as I am able.

Additional jobs were required throughout the year for various programs and events. Special bulletins were needed for the Wednesday Lenten Service, Christmas Eve Service and three funerals. Memorial gifts were recorded and acknowledgements to nonmembers were mailed. Tickets were designed and printed for Fellowship's two concert events, one benefit dinner and the pool party. I also assisted the Golf Committee by typing and mailing 50 receipt letters to businesses and individuals who provided auction items, hole sponsorships and other donations during the event.

I still rely greatly on a team of volunteers willing to help wherever needed. Carol Thomas comes in each Tuesday to address and mail the postcards and Home Touch mailings. She also picks up our Sunday bulletins and announcements every Friday to fold them at home. Carol Kleiner, Dottie McCaffrey, Ginny Davenport and others join Carol T. each month to collate and staple the printed copies of the Good News and any other large publications necessary. Ann Wallace is always willing to assist as needed. I thank you, all!

Respectfully Submitted,
Gay Channell
Administrative Assistant

Christian Education Committee

During 2017, the Christian Education Committee (CE) has achieved several accomplishments and the year ahead promises changes as we grow on our walk with Jesus Christ. It is an honor working with such a dynamic and dedicated team that comprises the Christian Education Committee (CE). In addition to the CE members, our programs are

possible because of the volunteers that staff our programs. This small group of dedicated individuals all work together to ensure that children and adults are engaged and encouraged to continually grow on their walk with Jesus Christ.

Bridges

In June of 2017, we said good bye to our traditional Sunday School as attendance had dropped to an all-time low. In the fall, our new program Bridges began and is lead by Tina Harvey as well as Priscilla Schultheis. Bridges is designed with all age groups in mind sharing bible teaching and hands on mission projects. Bridges is providing a rich learning experience and a variety of activities encouraging our children to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Families are continuing to attend worship together.

King of Kings Elementary Youth Group

Priscilla Schultheis continues to lead our weekly children's group that works with community and church children alike. King of Kings is a dual activity shared by the Evangelism and Christian Education Committees. King of Kings is focused on Bible lessons, hands-on activities, engaging active games and encouraging spiritual growth on a level that young children relate.

Rock Solid Upper Grades Youth Group

New this year is the Rock Solid Youth Group directed by Priscilla Schultheis. Similar to King of Kings, Rock Solid provides a weekly youth group for those in 6th grade and up that works with community and church youth alike. Rock Solid is a dual activity shared by the Evangelism and Christian Education Committees. Rock Solid is focused on Bible lessons, multiple hands-on activities, engaging active games and encouraging spiritual growth on a level that youth and young adults relate.

Special Events

Under the direction Tina Harvey and Priscilla Schultheis as well as supported by parent volunteers, CE continues providing monthly special events. Game nights, movie nights, a pool party, and trip the Cape May Zoo were a few of the events provided over the last year. Many of the successful events as well as new events are scheduled in 2018.

Adult Education

Until June, Pastor Tom offered three adult Bible studies. Two weekly studies were offered as an evening or afternoon session. The third was offered during Sunday school providing an additional study for Adults. Anna Mae and Vic Werner continue leading a successful and well-attended Adult Sunday School class. The Women's Circles and the Christian Readers Book Club continued throughout 2017.

Graduate Sunday

Each year graduates in our congregation and associated with our congregation are honored for their achievements. Tina Harvey continues to ensure that all graduates graduating from 8th grade, 12th grade and college are recognized with a card as well as a small token of congratulations and presents their names and accomplishments during a June service.

2017 has had some challenges as well as some successes. In December, several baptisms were performed and new members were received for the first time in a couple of years. These were young families joining our church for the youth activities provided. Our existing and new families with children and youth continue to fully participate in our programs. This is both heartening and hopeful. Our Church future depends on the engagement of the children, youth, young adults, and families who are here now and the ones that need inviting to come through our doors. Challenges inherent with the selection of a new pastor continue and now more than ever, the success of the Christian Education Program requires all of us – leaders, parents, and congregation – participating and supporting these programs.

As I relinquish the CE Chair, my hope is for all to cultivate a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and to ensure the ongoing success of the Christian Education Program as an integral part of a vital church community.

*Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is older, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6*

In His Service,
Linda Gillis
Christian Education Committee Chairman

Sunday Youth Program

2017 was a year of challenges and change for our group. Our events were strong, but we faced some challenges with attendance on Sunday mornings. We found ourselves in a place that is not unfamiliar to many other churches and Sunday morning programs. So, the Christian Education Committee tried to rise to the challenge we faced with a new concept that was less like School and more of a link between Sunday youth ministry and Sunday worship. Bridges was believed to be our answer, so in September we unveiled our new program inviting not just the youth, but people of all ages to join us. We still struggle, but we are determined to have a program in place for any who would like to join us. Our program continues to start at 9 a.m. and consists of a 15 minutes Bible Study and a mission project or craft. We were very busy with many events, sharing of our talents and coming together in fellowship to support our congregation and our community. We have been blessed by having the

King of Kings and Rock-Solid youth groups share their time and talents with us. With the love and support of many, the Sunday school made a lot of good memories in 2017. Here are a few I would like to share.

We started our year off with a game night playing Family Feud which was a blast!!! Another successful Pennies for Pins event was held, many came out and bowled, laughed and had a good time. Proceeds from the event went to making hygiene kits for the Rescue Mission, teaching our children that they can make a difference and have a good time too! Our annual Easter play, and Egg Hunt were both a great time. Much hard work and time was spent by our dedicated staff creating fun ideas, scheduling practices and helping the kids have a great day. Many Thanks to Deb Wong for her excellent decorating skills!! In May, despite some rain we held a Field day event, it was hysterical watching our kids try to do the craziest things for ribbons and prizes. We closed our program year by coming together for a pool party at the Galloway swim club. Everyone who attended had a great time and good food. If you missed it we will be celebrating again this June with another, so look for details.

Movie nights once again were big successes, in September we showed the movie “Sing”, it was a perfect night. A great movie under the stars with popcorn and lemonade to boot!!! We made our 4th annual trip to the Cape May Zoo, in September this year. The weather was lovely, the animals were great and we enjoyed good food, fellowship and fun. Hope to see you there in 2018.

We opened our 2017-2018 program year by unveiling our new program “Bridges”, with choreography from JoAnn Sabo. Our 5th annual Trunk or Treat was a huge success! Even though we had rain that day, we did not let that stand in the way of our good time. With a little ingenuity we decided to have all the participants decorate a doorway instead of a trunk. It turned out to be one of, if not the most, successful to date. Sixteen doorways were decorated, and kids had a blast. We really have some creative people in our midst. We had Mike and Sully from Monsters Inc, along with many ghouls and ghosts show up to our party. The kids looked great, played games, made crafts and watched “The Great Pumpkin. Thanks to all who helped make it a great day of fun.

Priscilla Schultheis and her many helpers, led our children with a beautiful combination of Sunday school and King of Kings to tell the Christmas story while our Rock Solid group narrated. All worked really hard and they looked great too. Thank you Priscilla! The birthday party for Jesus was lots of fun and many sets of hats and gloves were collected for Sister Jean’s kitchen. We are so blessed to be able to share our gifts and love with others who are not so fortunate. Our group also went Caroling at Absecon Manor and brought much needed cheer to the residents. Cards and gifts were made for each resident so that they would be remembered this Christmas season. Thank you for all who helped in making this year a fabulous and memorable one. In all the great memories that we created this year, I ask that everyone thank the Lord for the many blessing we have received and to share our gifts with others. Also, remember those who we loved and lost in 2017.

In closing, there are a few people that need to be recognized for their Special contributions and talents to our program. To Priscilla for all the devotion she gives to all the youth programs in our church. To JoAnn Sabo for her constant inspirations and gift for music and dance. To Bob and Linda Gillis for their love and support and many others who have always been there. We are grateful for all

they do. Thank you to **all** who lend a hand, a kind word or their time and talent to our program. Much love and gratitude to Gay who helps keep us all straight and to Pastor Meilands for leading us with his amazing gifts. Without these folks we would not be able to continue. God is truly with us and we are blessed to be able to teach our children his word and worship him every day.

In his Service

Tina

Summer Camp with Camp Johnsonburg on the Road

Submitted by Priscilla Schultheis, Coordinator

We experienced a successful 2nd year of Camp Johnsonburg on the Road from July 30- August 4, 2017. The theme of the camp was Branching Out. Our campers were divided into 4 groups based on age: Pines, Birches, Maples, and Oaks.

We had four staff members from Camp Johnsonburg stay at the manse during the week of camp. This staff provided programming, songs, Bible lessons, and fun activities.

Our 50 campers came from Absecon, Galloway, Pleasantville, and Egg Harbor Township. They were between grades K-5. The cost of the camp was \$75 per person with a \$10 additional fee if any Before or After Camp Care was required. We also charged \$2 per day for lunch. Most families found the camp affordable.

We used some funding from our Camps and Scholarship Fund to supplement or cover the cost for families experiencing economic hardships. Five members of the congregation provided full funding to allow kids from Family Promise to attend the camp. The Mission/Evangelism Committee also supported the camp experience recognizing it as a tremendous opportunity for outreach into the community. They paid for the \$200 deposit.

We used our van and borrowed one from the Brigantine Presbyterian Church to take field trips in the area. Two groups attended field trips in the morning on Tues, Weds, and Thurs while two groups attended them in the afternoons. Barbara Hughes and Jack Heil drove our church van while I drove the van from Brigantine. We went to the Marine Mammal Stranding Center, ACUA Recycling Center, Strike Zone Bowling Alley, and Birch Grove Park.

We tie-dyed Camp T-shirts on Monday, had a family night on Thursday, splashed in the pools and slid on the slip and slides on Friday. When the campers were not on field trips or engaged in a special event, they were busy doing arts and crafts, playing games, and extending the Bible lesson of the day.

The daily craft projects were displayed from the evergreen branches hanging in Madden Hall. Louise Speitel located the freshly cut branches and Maria Carreno helped me hang the branches and decorate the building.

We provided lunch this year in response to parent requests. Leo Ransone was our chef three of the five days and Jose Achamizo was our chef for the other two. All meals and BBQ were delicious. We

served morning snacks and afternoon snacks and I'd like to thank Tina Harvey for helping me purchase enough snacks for everyone and Ginny Davenport for coming out to set these up each day. No matter whether we were serving morning snacks, lunch, or afternoon snacks, we put out 75 servings every time.

Several members of the congregation provided dinner and the comforts of home to the staff members on several evenings. Among them were Naida and David Burgess, Carol Kleiner, and myself.

Nine Jr Counselors between grades 6-8 assisted the staff members with the daily routine and activities. Some came early to help with the Before Camp Care and others stayed late to help with the After Camp Care and Daily Clean Up. By the end of the week, these Jr Counselors were exhausted, but proud of their achievements. They later celebrated with a pizza party.

All in all, the camp experience was enjoyable and memorable. The kids enjoyed all the activities and staff members. I have reserved next year's camp for the week of July 30-Aug 3, 2018. We realize that our facility has the capacity to handle 60 campers. I am hoping to bring 6 staff members down for the week. Five will be assigned to a group of 12 campers and one will be assigned to overall supervision and behavior management of campers and Jr Counselors. We are also hoping to have a real waterslide for our final day of water fun.

King of Kings Youth Group

Submitted by Priscilla Schultheis, director

We are now in our 3rd year of programming for our Tuesday evening youth group for grades K-6. This past year we met from 4:30 – 7:00 pm for 32 weeks. Many members were picked up from schools or homes to attend our program each week. Our program included welcome activities, singing, crafts, floor games, game room, dinner, and devotional activity. The program cost \$40 for the year or \$2 per week and was run by volunteers who are mostly parents.

A number of Rock Solid members came out to help with the program and assisted with all areas of programming. Our attendance as of last June hovered between 20-24 participants weekly. As of December, it hovered between 30-36 kids each week. Between our participants, Rock Solid helpers, parents, and other volunteers, we often served 50 people at dinner. Dinner was provided by 8 volunteers who took turns providing dinner and dessert four times a year. Lee Wolff, Jackie Bhatti, and Winter Harmon heated and served the provided dinners each week. Donna L'joka was our crafts leader, Nicole Snowden supervised the Game Room, and I lead the floor games and singing on guitar. Jennifer Platt worked with me to plan our devotional activities. She was also our Sign-In Supervisor and was outstanding in crowd management. JoAnn Sabo made some special appearances during the year to lead our members in choreographed dances to contemporary Christian songs.

As the program continued to grow, we found better ways to organize the kids and the rotation of activities. King of Kings youth group members participated in the Easter Drama, Christmas Pageant, and Christmas caroling this past year. They also attended the monthly youth events held throughout the year and introduced their friends to our programs and church.

Rock Solid Youth Group

Submitted by Priscilla Schultheis, director

Rock Solid Youth Group is a youth group for preteens and teens between grades 6-12. Currently our members range from grades 6-9. This youth group started in September with 8 participants and as of December, attendance hovered between 16-20 participants. Each week the van picked up as many as 11 participants from Pleasantville and Galloway Township and brought them to the program. The program met on Monday evenings from 4:45 – 7:15 pm and cost \$40 per year or \$2 per week. Leo Ransone and Sandy Shinsato were our steady cooks while Darla Hand, Linda Gillis, and Sheela Merendino were the cleanup crew. The following activities were offered as program choices thanks to our many volunteers.

Richard Older and Rob Perry - Whole Group Singing with Guitar and Jam Time

Bud Burgess - Floor Games

Priscilla Schultheis - Guitar Lessons

Linda Gillis - Crafts and Banner Making

Darla Hand and Sheela Merendino - Banner Making

Louise Speitel - Tile and Mosaic Design

Naida Burgess - Yoga and Stress Management

Leo Ransone - Kitchen Management Skills

Anna Mae Werner and Tina Harvey - Bible Study

In this program, participants gathered in the sanctuary to sing contemporary Christian songs with the guitar. They chose their activity from 5:00-5:30 and again from 5:30-6:00 pm. This changed every 4 weeks. Dinner was served at 6:00 pm. Bible study took place at 6:30 pm, and at 7:00 pm the group held a meeting to determine upcoming monthly events and mission projects. The group elected their own officers:

Presidents: Jackson Harvey and Nicole Gillis

Vice-Presidents: Mouse Bhatti and Maryiam Bhatti

Secretaries: Angelina Merendino and Maddie Arsenis

Treasurers: Laly Ramirez and Gianni Merendino

Since September this group has worked on the following mission projects:

- Collected emergency supplies for Puerto Rico Disaster Assistance
- Sold Pink Breast Cancer ribbons to raise \$96 for Gilda's Club
- Served dinner at the Chiz Rider congregational event
- Served dinner and assisted at the Russ Adkisson Benefit Dinner
- Participated in our Fall Work Day
- Served breakfast as elves at the Pancake Breakfast with Santa
- Went Christmas Caroling at Absecon Manor Nursing Home
- Raised money to support Rock Solid through M\$M candy tubes
- Served at Sr Jean's Kitchen

Since September this group has done the following social activities:

- Haunted Hayride at the Scullville Junk Yard
- Pumpkin Carving in Madden Hall
- Attended Absegami High School Football game to see Jackson in the marching band
- Went roller skating at Young's Skating Rink

Between 3-7 Rock Solid members attend King of Kings on Tuesday evenings as helpers. They have become an asset to the church. I look forward to working with this fine group of young ladies and gentlemen in the second half of our first year. Donna Hughes will be teaching upholstery techniques. The kids have enjoyed learning from adult volunteers willing to share.

In His Service, Priscilla

Board of Deacons

From the Deacon Handbook:

The office of Deacon is one of care and compassion – often referred to as the “ministry of the helps” and our main job is to represent the Christian soul of the congregation. The first job of a deacon is to radiate the love and care of Jesus Christ for this church ... when you do your job well the church is blessed and Christ is glorified.

2017 was a busy year for the Deacons as we continue to be involved in many ways in our church. We are not included in the church budget so we are totally dependent on and operate solely by contributions received from our congregation. Without your gifts, we would not be able to do our work. A big THANK YOU to everyone who gave so generously of his or her time, talent or monetary gift.

So just what do we do?

Deacons set up (and clean up) the communion table every month.

We provide the wafers and fill those little cups with grape juice. Keep clean the Communion trays, bread plates, table linens, doilies and white gloves. We order the communion wafers and cups, altar candles, and supply the badges for the ushers and greeters. We handle funeral and memorial luncheons for families that want our help...we set up and take down all those tables and chairs, provide the paper goods (plates, napkins, cups, table covers, center pieces, and plastic ware) baked goods, coffee, tea and iced tea.

We provide monetary gifts at Thanksgiving and Christmas for families that can use the help. We make up fruit and goodie bags at Easter, (marshmallow peeps included) and deliver them to some of our church members who can't get out. We send fruit baskets to members who are sick or bereaved, make soup and/or bring meals to those in need. Visit people in the hospital, nursing home or their homes when they are ill or recovering or just need a friend to stop in. We have an ongoing collection of food items for the Food Bank of South Jersey in Egg Harbor Township and this year we collected

almost 900 pounds of canned goods and fresh produce from our church garden. We also write a monthly article for the “Good News”.

Our Board for 2017 was made up of nine members that included Russ Adkisson, Jacqueline Bhatti, Naida Burgess, Betsy Eberhard, Bob Hudak Jr., Laurie McManus, Loretta Metz, Karen Muldoon, and Alice Smith. We will miss Bob Hudak as treasurer and wish him well as he transitions to office of Elder. We welcome Deb Wong as our newest officer and look forward to working with her.

As we await our new called Pastor, we wish to thank Reverend Gerry Reedell for providing spiritual guidance and to help us start our newest program of taking Communion to our home bound members.

I’m sure I’m leaving something out but as you can see, we are involved in many ways.

Another quote from our handbook ...“Together, with Christ we strive for the spiritual growth and to be a source for comfort for all”.

In Christian service and love,
Naida Burgess, Moderator
Loretta Metz, Vice Moderator

Evergreens

Evergreens has continued to meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month for their sandwich luncheon wherein a program is usually planned with special speakers. We were fortunate to have David Burgess, MD, Bill Hoch, Nancy Swank, Francine Watkins and Lisa Whitaker as our speakers. We had six regular meetings and two luncheons at Historic Smithville Inn, and our average attendance has been 15 to 20.

Many thanks to Betsy Eberhard, our treasurer, for keeping excellent records, handling reservations and money for luncheons. Many thanks to Ruth Champion and Olga Davies for their help in setting up each month, and for those who brought delicious deserts.

Looking forward to another year of fellowship. New comers are always welcome!

In Christian love and service,
Fran Weir, Leader

Fellowship Committee Report Submitted by Priscilla Schultheis, chair

Last January, it was difficult saying good-bye to Dawn Duran, our former committee chair as she had done such an outstanding job for the past six years with events, fundraising, nominating officers and all the things that go with wearing the hat. Bill Hoeston, her good friend, was a magnificent help as well. Thankfully, Dawn left really good notes, and that was a really good thing!

We've had a very busy and successful year largely due to the many members of the Fellowship Committee whom I would like to thank: Donna Hughes, Jackie Bhatti, Laurie and Jim McManus, Betsy Eberhard, Joanie Hoenes, Greg Hamaty, Rita and Vic Abelson, Gayle Ackerman, Tina Brown, Kris Jenoriki, Leo Ransone, Melvin Washington, Dirk Williamson, Darla Hand, Olive Brown, Debbie Wong, Ginny Davenport, Nancy Sooy, and Lee Wolff. There were times when Tina Harvey and Linda Gillis were invited to meetings to help us plan for specific events. Also noted is how Barbara Hughes jumped in and helped out whenever she could...and it is essential to thank Gay Channell for all she did from her office to assist this committee with every event that took place.

We decided to keep our longstanding Sunday morning breakfasts going. John Channell and Melvin Washington stepped forward to lead this initiative. Five teams of people took turns weekly to prepare and present a delicious breakfast each Sunday at 8:30 am for the cost of \$3 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Many thanks to all the volunteers who set up, cooked, and cleaned up. They made these breakfasts possible.

We also continued to serve refreshments each week following the 10 am worship service. Kris Jenoriki coordinated the volunteers who brought the refreshments, and again, five teams took turns to set up the refreshments and clean up afterwards. Many thanks to all volunteers who made this coffee hour a pleasant time of fellowship.

Here is a look back at the events of 2017.

January

- Jan 15 Soup Sale
- Jan 29 Served Pizza following the Annual Meeting

February

- Feb 12 Soup Sale

March

- March 8 Unity Dinner. We supplied desserts and paper products.
- March 12 Welcome reception with cake for new organist/choir director, Rick DeKarski.
- March 18 St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Fellowship and Mission/Evangelism Committees worked together on this fundraiser.
- March 29 Lenten Lunch. Volunteers prepared a variety of sandwiches and three types of soup for 90 people.

April

- April 2 We assisted with the luncheon on the day of the Easter play and Easter Egg Hunt.

May

- May 6 Congregational Event with 45 voice Inspirational Chorale Ensemble arranged by Joanie Hoenes. This event included a dessert reception that followed the concert.
- May 7 Field Day. We combined efforts with Sunday School and the Mission/Evangelism Committee to prepare and set up a BBQ lunch that followed the races.

June

- June 2 Strawberry Festival with background music by John Channell and the Albert Hall Players.
- June 11 Served Cake for Graduate Sunday
- June 17 Pool Party and BBQ at Galloway Swim Club attended by 60 or more people. Despite some rain, most people went for a swim.
- June 24 Benefit Dinner for Barbara Hughes and Russ Adkisson, Jr. Highly successful event and support for beloved members of the church.

July

- July 26 Dinner Cruise at Gardner's Basin, Atlantic City, coordinated by Gayle Ackerman. Memorable cruise to the ocean side had the boat rocking.
- July 30 Retirement Cake and Reception for Interim Pastor, Tom Purchase.
- July 30 60th Anniversary Cake for Jack and Dee Heil.

September

- Sept 30 Congregational Event with Chiz Rider arranged by Joanie Hoenes. This event included roast pork dinner and dessert by Nancy Sooy and her team. Rock Solid Youth Group Members helped serve.

November

- Nov 11 Benefit Dinner for Bob Gillis. Leo Ransone was the chef. Vendors were included. Rock Solid Youth Group Served and assisted. Highly successful event for beloved family of the church.

December

- Dec 2 Pancake Breakfast with Santa played by Dirk Williamson and food prepared by Chef Leo Ransone. Rock Solid Youth Group elves were servers. Gingerbread houses and ornaments could be purchased for decorating.
- Dec 9 Congregational Event. Christmas Concert with 40 voice Mainland Choral Society. Ruth Bird was honored for her 100th birthday. Joanie Hoenes was honored for producing 76 concerts since 1990. A dessert reception followed.
- Dec 17 Assisted with Birthday Party for Jesus Luncheon following the 10 am worship service and Christmas pageant performed by youth.

I wish to thank everyone on this committee for their amazing support and dedication throughout this past year. I wish to thank the congregation for supporting these events, for putting up with all my announcements, and for contributing where possible. As I close, I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your chairperson. I trust this committee will continue its good work in 2018. To God be the glory! Priscilla

Mission/Evangelism Committee

The Mission/Evangelism Committee began the year 2017 by reevaluating the reasoning behind everything we have done in the past and want to initiate for the future. After some reassessment of our missionary impact locally and abroad, continued support for most of the missions to which we previously donated was affirmed, but by June we realized that the benevolence budget for 2017 was beyond our means. Our payout schedule was suspended, but reviewed later in the year. Donations were then adjusted and resumed, and the budget for 2018 was reduced by 25 percent, but we hope that our end of year review process will allow for additional discretionary donations at that time. A procedure for more flexibility in the ability of our members to respond to emergency situations with limited, built-in funds has also been established.

When you designate your weekly offering, or a portion of it, to “Benevolences”, the funds created will be budgeted between global, regional, and local evangelism and missions. Globally, we donate to Real Partners Uganda which focuses greatly on health, nutrition and education, Lisa Whitaker's missionary efforts, worldwide and regional disaster relief through Church World Services and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and to support and care for Christians in Pakistan. Locally and regionally, you support education and rehabilitation through Ranch Hope, Cornerstone Christian Academy, and Arc of Atlantic County. Also locally, you support the Senior Center at Absecon Methodist Church, Friends of Jean Webster, AC Rescue Mission, Community Food Bank, Salvation Army, and Family Promise. You also donate to regional Presbytery Causes through West Jersey Presbytery. Family Fun Day, which was suspended for 2017, is also included in the budget, and we are looking at ways to make it a more effective tool for outreach into the community.

Opportunities for joint inter-committee action between Mission/Evangelism, Christian Education, and Fellowship arose during the past year, at times with input from our Deacons as well. Those included fundraisers for the church and for church members, for Family Promise, holding a Field Day event, funding for Camp Johnsonburg on the Road and other youth group activities. Additional fund raising efforts were Pennies for Pins, which enabled us to purchase items to make and ship hygiene kits for worldwide disaster relief, and One Great Hour of Sharing which enabled us to donate over five hundred dollars to Church World Services. Our congregation also helped us provide relief to hurricane victims in Florida and Texas.

In 2017, we were charged as Christians to share in the difficult challenges that face many of those among whom we live, and to stretch and grow in our ability to serve Christ by serving those in need whom we encounter on our streets and through our Bakely House mission. Pray that our continued challenges energize our faith and inspire our hope.

In His Service,
Leo Ransone
Mission/Evangelism Chair

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is welcoming to all ladies of the church starting on the first Saturday of the month, running from October to June.

We meet at 9:30 am upstairs in the chapel weather permitting.

In 2017 we filled requests for 67 prayer shawls and blankets to members of the congregation, friends and family. Request forms may be found in the racks in the Narthex and also in the rack over the little pew in the hall outside Madden Hall.

We started our 7th year in 2017 and we all find it very rewarding to share with those going through difficult times that God's presence and love that He is always with them.

In His service
Loretta A. Metz

Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC)

While we hoped that we would be able to have an announcement by now, the news from our Committee is that we continue to work hard searching for the Pastor whom God will call for us, though we have not found that person yet. The members of the Committee have been meeting regularly for the past year, reviewing the Personal Information Forms of nearly 200 potential candidates so far, listening to countless sermons, and conducting interviews with many promising candidates. On two separate occasions, candidates accepted our invitation to meet with us in person, visit our local area, and preach at a Neutral Pulpit. Unfortunately, neither of these candidates ultimately chose to accept our call when offered.

This has been a slow, challenging, and difficult process. While the entire congregation is anxious for a new Pastor to be called (none more so than the members of the Committee), we are reminded that God has His own plan; He surely has already chosen the right Pastor for us just as he has chosen us as the right congregation for this Pastor. In the past few years, we have discovered how strong, vibrant, and resilient our congregation can be. We are confident that God is preparing us to welcome the right person at the right time.

The members of the PNC ask for your continued prayers, patience, and support as we keep our eyes, minds, and hearts open to discern who this new called Pastor will be.

The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, To the person who seeks Him.

Lamentations 3:25

In Christ,
Scott Sabo, PNC Chair
On behalf of the members of the Pastoral Nominating Committee

Stewardship Committee

Stewardship is a combination of time, talent and treasure. The Stewardship Committee is pleased to report that the congregation responded with their time and talent whenever called upon whether it was the Spring and Fall cleanup days, King of Kings, Rock Solid, Family Promise, Movies under the Stars, our concerts or decorating the church for Easter and Christmas. On behalf of the committee, thank you and keep up the good work.

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| 2017 Budget | \$232,950.00 |
| Expenditures through November 30 th | \$184,853.83 |
| Balance available as of November 30 th | \$ 48,096.17 |

With our average monthly expenditures of \$16,805 we are on course to save about \$31,292 on budgeted expenses. The budget for 2018 is \$227,000. It anticipates hiring a called pastor. We are holding salaries steady due to the loss of certain rental income and the low response of our giving pledges. The Winter Fund Raiser is set for \$10,000 but the project has yet to be identified.

The regular giving for 2017 totaled \$150,987 which is higher than 2016's \$144,845 due to some very generous individual gifts in December. We ask that everyone be sure to pay their Per Capita fee which is levied by the West Jersey Presbytery for every member on our rolls. Fortunately, we have other sources in income. The McMullin Fund distributions were reduced in 2017 by a couple thousand dollars to correct an overpayment in 2016. Investment income is even with 2016. Our net rental income from our taxable properties was \$39,423.69 as of November 30th. We did lose the rental income from Alphabet Alley, due to Nancy Tompkins well deserved retirement. The miscellaneous fees collected from all the groups that utilize our church facilities remained steady. We have also benefited from several fund raisers during 2017, particularly the Golf Outing in May which is our single largest fund raising event. In 2018 we will need to dedicate ourselves to fund raising events and stepping up our weekly regular giving.

The Stewardship Committee
Kirk W. Conover
Chairman

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee met formally 3 times in 2017: April 30, October 15 and December 17. The Worship Committee did not meet during the 1st quarter of 2017 because of the activity of its sub-committee, the Music Director Search Committee, which successfully completed its mission by hiring Mr. Rick Dekarski as the Director of Music Ministry in April 2017. Mr. Dekarski has since provided inspirational music for the Congregation on Sundays, successfully directed the Chancel Choir in coordination with Mr. Richard Older and has provided special music performed by both members of the Congregation and outside musicians.

The major concern of the Worship Committee beginning in August 2017 was providing worship leadership for the Sunday Services after the retirement of our Interim Pastor. With the support of Rev. Brincivalli of the Presbytery of West Jersey and Ms. Karen Muldoon, worship leadership has been provided on a regular basis with participants including Rev. Brincivalli, Rev. Reedell, Rev. Collins, Rev. Morschauser, Mr. Scott Sabo, the Holland Family, Rev. Epprecht and Rev. Meilands. Rev. Meilands also completed a review of our order of worship with important revisions recommended and implemented.

Specific duties of the Worship Committee for the coming year were discussed on December 17 including Communion set up/servers (Naida Burgess), scheduling of the ushers/acolytes (thanks as always, Carol Thomas), scheduling of Lay Assistants (David Burgess), completion of the Talent Bank (Ann Wallace) and special services throughout the year, including the Maundy Thursday Service prior to Easter and the Thanksgiving Community Service, held on November 21, 2017, at the Methodist Church of Absecon.

Additional activities undertaken by Worship have included the reframing of Rev. Cobb's portrait and reingraving the plaque listing his dates of service, scheduling of the installation/ordination of the new 2018 church officers on Sunday, January 21, 2018, and attendance by David Burgess at the House of Worship safety forum held on December 19, 2017, at the Pleasantville Baptist Church.

Pending approval of the Session nominating committee on February 6, 2018, or thereafter, committee members for 2018 will include Anna Mae Werner, Chair, David Burgess, Co-Chair, Mary Bew, Naida Burgess, Ginny Davenport, Rick Dekarski, Betsy Eberhard, Karen Muldoon, Ann Wallace, our new Called Pastor and any additional members of the Congregation who wish to join the committee.

I wish to personally thank Ms. Gay Channell for her continuing administrative support.

Respectfully submitted,
David Burgess M.D.
Chair, Worship

Report of the Webmasters for 2017

Our church's website is <http://www.abseconpresby.org/>. The website is an important part of our church's outreach. The time of church services, adult and children's Sunday School are posted along with a profile of the church's mission, programs, groups and activities. Corresponding photos give a taste of the character of the church. Names and photos of the church staff and officers are tabulated. A selection of sermons are also posted.

I thank my son, Ken Marshall, for posting the "Presby Post" (our weekly e-mail) and "Good News" (our monthly newsletter) and monthly calendars. I thank Gay Channell for emailing them to Ken and I the moment she completes them. Our goal is to provide timely on-line news updates. Ken had been

a full time Masters student in Taiwan (12 time zones away) yet he has continued to provide this important service to our church.

As a complement to the church's website, the church has a Facebook site with access limited to members of our church. Ken and I started this site in 2010. Gay and I administer it. Our Facebook site now has 140 members.

In Christian Service,
Louise Speitel & Ken Marshall, Webmasters

FINANCIAL REPORTS OF THE CONGREGATION

BELL CHOIR

Receipts:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 2017 General Fund Line Item | <u>\$150.00</u> | |
| Total Receipts | | \$150.00 |

Disbursements:

| | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Music | <u> </u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance December 2017 | <u> </u> | <u>\$150.00</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|

BENEVOLENCE FINANCIAL REPORTS

BENEVOLENCE FUND

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
| Beginning Balance 12/31/17 | | \$3,934.26 |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|

Receipts:

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Bakely House Mission | \$1,800.00 |
| Family Promise | \$957.00 |
| Offering - Loose | \$1,824.90 |
| Offering - One Great Hour | \$580.00 |
| Offering - Designated Pledge | \$7,706.00 |
| Offering - Undesignated Pledge | \$7,695.98 |

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Benevolence Fund cont.

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| Offering - Blanket Sunday | \$410.93 |
| Cents-Ability Offering | \$112.14 |
| Mission Bouquet | \$351.00 |
| Disaster Relief | \$1,587.00 |
| Circles | \$83.00 |
| Interest CD | \$1,144.83 |
| Pakistan | \$1,237.00 |
| Jean Webster Kitchen | \$100.00 |
| Shoe recycling program | <u>\$67.50</u> |

Total Receipts

\$25,657.28

Disbursements:

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Mission Work | (\$338.86) |
| Bakely House Miss. Supp. | (\$2,222.12) |
| Lisa Whitaker | (\$1,500.00) |
| Family Promise | (\$2,307.91) |
| Disaster Relief | (\$2,000.02) |
| One Great Hour of Sharing | (\$519.00) |
| Methodist Senior Center | (\$500.00) |
| Presbytery Causes | (\$3,000.00) |
| Cornerstone | (\$1,000.00) |
| Church World Service (Postage) | (\$96.85) |
| Camp Johnsonburg | (\$200.00) |
| Mission Family | (\$1,114.68) |
| Community Service | (\$397.29) |
| Circles | (\$83.00) |
| God Cares | (\$1,303.00) |
| Shawls | <u>(\$88.59)</u> |

Total Disbursements

(\$16,671.32)

Benevolence Balance 12/31/17

\$12,920.22

MISSION SPONSORS

Beginning Balance 12/31/2017 \$842.37

Income \$0.00

Disbursements \$0.00

Balance 12/31/17 \$842.37

2017 Benevolence Fund Bal. \$12,920.22

2017 Mission Sponsors Bal. \$842.37

Total Benevolence \$13,762.59

BAKELY HOUSE MISSION

Receipts:

M & O \$1,800.00

Total Receipts 2017 \$1,800.00

Disbursements:

Repairs (\$1,084.67)

Gas (\$114.52)

Electric (\$182.31)

Sewer (\$401.00)

Water (\$439.62)

Total Disbursements 2017 (\$2,222.12)

Net Loss (\$422.12)

FAMILY PROMISE

Income \$957.00

Expense (\$2,307.91) _____

Balance (\$1,350.91)

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

| | | |
|------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| Benevolence Fund | \$519.00 | <hr/> |
| Total | | <u><u>\$519.00</u></u> |

WOMEN'S CIRCLES

| | | |
|--------------|---------|------------------------------|
| West Jersey | \$83.00 | <hr/> |
| Total | | <u><u>\$83.00</u></u> |

End of Benevolence Financials

DEACONS FUND

Balance 12/31/16 \$ 544.74

Receipts:

Donations \$ 3,420.00

Interest \$ 0.40

Total Receipts \$ 3,420.40

Disbursements:

Expenses \$(3,439.06)

Total Disbursements \$(3,439.06)

Balance 12/31/17 \$ 526.08

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Hudak, Treasurer

DOUG JABLONSKI MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Balance 12/31/16 | | \$128.51 |
| <u>Receipts:</u> | | |
| | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Receipts | | \$0.00 |
| <u>Disbursements:</u> | | |
| | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |
| Balance 12/31/17 | | <u><u>\$128.51</u></u> |

Evergreens

Balance 01/01/2017 \$ 57.00

Receipts:

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Collections | \$ 115.00 |
| Cents-Ability | \$ 28.00 |
| May Lunch Overage | \$ 40.00 |
| December Lunch Overage | <u>\$ 26.00</u> |

Total Receipts \$ 209.00

Disbursements:

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Cents-Ability | \$ (28.00) |
| Guest Lunch May | \$ (23.00) |
| Guest Lunch May | \$ (25.00) |
| Guest Lunch December | \$ (23.00) |
| Guest Lunch December | \$ (24.00) |
| Lisa W stipend | <u>\$ (100.00)</u> |

Total Disbursements \$ (223.00)

Balance 12/31/17 \$ 43.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Betsy Eberhard, Treasurer

FELLOWSHIP FINANCIAL REPORTS

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Balance 12/31/16 \$ 958.70

Receipts:

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Dinner Cruise | \$ 1,525.00 |
| Dinner/Concerts | \$ 4,143.00 |
| Soup Sale | \$ 723.00 |
| Strawberry Festival | \$ 458.00 |
| Breakfast w/santa | \$ 390.00 |
| G. Buchanan DVD | \$ 100.00 |

Total Receipts \$ 7,339.00

Disbursements:

| | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Soup Sale | \$ (306.44) |
| Dinner/Concerts | \$ (2,805.95) |
| Dinner Cruise | \$ (1,518.00) |
| Breakfast w/santa | \$ (185.06) |
| Supplies | \$ (191.29) |
| Pool Party food | \$ (82.40) |
| DVD | \$ (30.00) |
| Sam's Club | \$ (1,601.96) |
| Strawberry Fest | \$ (126.50) |
| Gifts/Cakes | \$ (85.92) |
| Annual Meeting | |
| Exp | \$ (244.14) |

Total Disbursements \$ (7,177.66)

Balance 12/31/17 \$ 1,120.04

SUNDAY BREAKFAST CLUB

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| Balance 12/31/16 | | \$342.07 |
| <u>Receipts:</u> | | |
| | \$1,487.50 | |
| Total Receipts | | \$1,487.50 |
| <u>Disbursements:</u> | | |
| | (\$1,153.72) | |
| Total Disbursements | | (\$1,153.72) |
| Balance 12/31/17 | | <u><u>\$675.85</u></u> |

End of Fellowship Financials

FUNdraising Committee

Receipts:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Golf | \$ 10,639.00 |
| Adkisson - Hughes benefit | \$ 5,601.00 |
| Gillis Benefit | \$ 8,830.00 |
| August with the Arts | \$ <u>250.00</u> |

Total Receipts 2017 \$ 25,320.00

Disbursements:

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Golf | \$ (4,618.00) |
| Adkisson - Hughes benefit | \$ (5,601.00) |
| Gillis Benefit | \$ <u>(8,854.50)</u> |

Total Disbursements 2017 \$(19,073.50)

SESSION FUND

Receipts:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| 2017 General Fund Line Item | \$1,000.00 | |
| Total Receipts | | \$1,000.00 |

Disbursements:

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Session Moderator | (\$152.40) | |
| Donation | <u>(\$200.00)</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | (\$352.40) |

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|-------------------|--|------------------------|
| 12/31/2017 | | <u><u>\$647.60</u></u> |
|-------------------|--|------------------------|

COBB HONORARY FUND

| | | |
|---------------------------|--|-------------|
| Balance 12/31/2016 | | \$17,701.56 |
|---------------------------|--|-------------|

Receipts:

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------|
| Donation | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Receipts | | \$0.00 |

Disbursements:

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|--------|
| | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |

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|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Balance 12/31/17 | | <u><u>\$17,701.56</u></u> |
|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|

KING OF KINGS

| | | |
|-------------|--|------------|
| 2017 Budget | | \$1,700.00 |
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|--------|----------|--|
| Income | \$942.25 | |
|--------|----------|--|

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| Expenses | <u>(\$1,419.64)</u> | |
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|---------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Balance 2017 | | <u><u>\$1,222.61</u></u> |
|---------------------|--|--------------------------|

ROCK SOLID

| | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 2017 Budget | | \$1,000.00 |
| Income | \$861.93 | |
| Expenses | <u>(\$2,092.37)</u> | |
| Balance 2017 | | <u><u>(\$230.44)</u></u> |

SUNDAY SCHOOL SPONSOR FUND

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Balance 12/31/16 | | \$2,983.05 |
| <u>Receipts:</u> | | |
| Income | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Receipts | | \$0.00 |
| <u>Disbursements:</u> | | |
| Expenses | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |
| Balance 12/31/17 | | <u><u>\$2,983.05</u></u> |

SENIOR YOUTH FUND

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Balance 12/31/16 | | \$228.38 |
| <u>Receipts:</u> | | |
| Deposits | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Receipts | | \$0.00 |
| <u>Disbursements:</u> | | |
| | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |
| Balance 12/31/17 | | <u><u>\$228.38</u></u> |

ACTIVITIES/SPECIAL NEEDS

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Balance 12/31/16 | | \$280.00 |
| Receipts: | | |
| | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Receipts | | \$0.00 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| | <u>\$0.00</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |
| Balance 12/31/17 | | <u><u>\$280.00</u></u> |

Benevolence Fund Budget 2018

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Absecon Presbyterian Evangelism | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Abs Presby Mission Work | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Arc of Atlantic County | 500.00 | 250.00 |
| Atl City Rescue Mission | 2,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Bakely House | 1,500.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Community Food Bank | 2,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Cornerstone Christian Academy | 1,000.00 | 500.00 |
| Disaster Relief | 2,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Family Promise | 1,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Friends of Jean Webster | 2,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Lisa Whitaker (missionary) | 1,500.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Pakistani God Care Ministry | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Presbytery Causes | 6,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Ranch Hope | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Real Partners Uganda | 2,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Salvation Army | 1,000.00 | 500.00 |
| Samaritan's Purse | 1,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Senior Center at Absecon Methodist | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Total Benevolence Fund Budget | <u><u>31,000.00</u></u> | <u><u>23,250.00</u></u> |

2018 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

| GENERAL FUND | Budget 2017 | Budget 2018 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Personnel | | |
| Pastor's Salary | \$47,000.00 | \$47,000.00 |
| Car | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| Study | \$750.00 | \$750.00 |
| Pension/Medical | \$23,000.00 | \$23,000.00 |
| Telephone | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Pastor Search | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| Car | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Administrative Assistant | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 |
| Director of Music/Organist | \$25,000.00 | \$20,000.00 |
| Payroll Tax Reimbursement | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Medical | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Treasurer | \$6,500.00 | \$7,500.00 |
| Christian Education Coordinator | \$5,100.00 | \$5,100.00 |
| Custodian | \$12,500.00 | \$12,500.00 |
| Pulpit Supply | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Organist Supply | \$600.00 | \$600.00 |
| Payroll Taxes (Church portion) | \$7,680.00 | \$7,680.00 |
| Special Music | \$600.00 | \$600.00 |
| Subtotal | \$160,730.00 | \$156,730.00 |
| Maintenance & Operations | | |
| Custodial Supplies | \$1,100.00 | \$750.00 |
| Maintenance & Operations | \$4,400.00 | \$4,000.00 |
| Utilities | \$18,000.00 | \$18,000.00 |
| Insurance | \$15,000.00 | \$16,000.00 |
| Manse Utilities | \$3,500.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| Manse Maintenance | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Van Expense | \$600.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Van Insurance | \$1,300.00 | \$1,300.00 |
| Equipment & Purchases | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Service/Maintenance Contracts | \$1,700.00 | \$1,700.00 |
| Subtotal | \$47,600.00 | \$48,250.00 |

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2018 General Fund Budget (Cont.)

| | Budget 2017 | Budget 2018 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Supplies & Materials | | |
| Music | \$400.00 | \$300.00 |
| Printing & Stationery | \$1,800.00 | \$1,500.00 |
| Communication/Postage | \$1,800.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| Per Capita Assessment | \$8,500.00 | \$8,500.00 |
| Bell Choir | \$150.00 | \$150.00 |
| Miscellaneous | \$300.00 | \$300.00 |
| Session Fund | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Stewardship Fund | \$1,000.00 | \$750.00 |
| Treasurer Expense | \$700.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Copier Expense | \$800.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Office Supplies | \$300.00 | \$500.00 |
| AV & Photo Supplies | \$120.00 | \$120.00 |
| Subtotal | \$16,870.00 | \$16,320.00 |
| Programs | | |
| Sunday School Education Materials | \$700.00 | \$400.00 |
| Program Materials | | |
| King of Kings | \$750.00 | \$750.00 |
| Sr. Youth Group - Rock Solid | \$0.00 | \$750.00 |
| Drama Materials | \$200.00 | \$200.00 |
| Camps & Conferences | \$400.00 | \$400.00 |
| Confirmation Class | \$200.00 | \$200.00 |
| Adult Education & Devotional Supplies | \$1,000.00 | \$500.00 |
| 40 Minute Club | \$300.00 | \$300.00 |
| Activities & Fellowship | | |
| Sunday School | \$1,200.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| Church Sponsored Activities | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Subtotal | \$5,750.00 | \$5,700.00 |
| Total General Fund | \$230,950.00 | \$227,000.00 |
| Winter Fund Raiser | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 |

CORPORATION REPORTS

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The year 2017 marked my return to Session as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees after a ten year absence. In the last decade, some things have changed and some have stayed the same. We now have a real estate management company overseeing our rental properties, writing leases, collecting rents and maintaining the properties, instead of doing it ourselves. All our properties are rented and up to date. All the organizations that use our church properties for meetings and worship are also up to date. Our combined rental income is a major portion of our total income needed to make our annual budget. Our investment accounts continue to do well in a thriving stock market. Giving has also remained fairly stable despite a slight decrease in church membership. We had one new member class and are prepared to have another one which is great news, despite not having a permanent pastor for nearly three years. We will be having a confirmation class which means our youth members are growing up. Priscilla has two thriving youth groups running with hopes of bringing more youth and their families into the congregation and grow our church family.

One subject that was discussed a decade ago and is much more prevalent today is Child and Youth Protection policies and Sexual Misconduct policies. Session felt that our policies that were adopted in 2008 needed to be revisited and updated. The board of trustees reviewed our previous policies, discussed what needed to be updated and rewrote the Child and Youth Protection Policy of the Absecon Presbyterian Church and the Policy on Personal Boundaries and Sexual Misconduct of the Absecon Presbyterian Church which were both adopted by the Board of Trustees and Session. In the wake of all the incidents that have been made public in the recent news, it was a prudent and timely decision.

Fund raising has continued to be a topic of discussion over the years. In the past there have been many activities that, although successful, did not always benefit our church. Looking forward, we are hoping that we can insure that all non-mission/evangelism activities involving church property will help to cover the costs of operation. Even though we are a non-profit organization, we still need to cover our budget of operational expenses and charitable contributions and not operate at a loss. The Trustees and the Stewardship committee decided to move forward with obtaining a New Jersey Game of Chance license to cover all auctions and raffles. Once we obtain the license we can explore other fund-raising opportunities not previously available to us.

Our properties are in good shape but we are hoping to make some minor repairs and replacements such as gutters for the main church building. We are dedicating the Winter Fundraiser to these areas. Thank you to those individuals that come out for seasonal cleanups and snow removal and those that make minor repairs all year long.

Cemetery and Personnel committees have had no major issues this year. Details will be covered in their respective reports.

So, despite not having a permanent pastor for guidance, the wheels on the bus are still turning. Session and Trustees along with committee members, deacons and church employees have been doing a great job making sure our programs, ministries, missions and properties are all operating smoothly. We are looking forward to church growth. Thank you to all that volunteer and put time in. Thank you to Nancy Conover, Tina Brown, Jan Jorgensen, Ed Little, and Cindy Greenlee for serving as Trustees and helping me transition this past year. May God bless us and guide us as we continue to search for a pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Wong,
Chairman, Board of Trustees

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Our committee realized a few changes in our members over this year with Cindy Greenlee stepping off to work on another committee and Dan Hughes leaving our committee. I'd like to thank the remainder of our committee Jerry, Betty, Loretta, Karen & Ann for their continued hard work and excellent advice and direction.

This year has been a very quiet one as it relates to the finances of this church. Finances have been very stable with the only exception being Nancy Tompkins ending her preschool program, Alphabet Alley, in June. There was no replacement found for this loss of \$6,000 annual income.

Our new Treasurer, Karen Sheeran, has proven to be a valuable replacement for Marge Chapman. She is continuing to acclimate herself to the needs of the individual committees.

In February we were very pleased to have found a replacement for Harold Hawkes as Director of Music for an annual salary of \$18,000. Rick DeKarski comes to us with an impressive resume having performed at Radio City Music Hall, West Point Chapel, Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark as well as performing with many professional entertainers. He performed an inspection of our organ and has advised it is in fine shape and a new one is not needed at this time.

King of Kings is going strong having gone from 12 children 2 yrs. ago to 22 currently enrolled. Priscilla has started a new program called Rock Solid which meets on Monday night. Priscilla has come to the Finance Committee for additional funding from the Cobb Fund which allows for \$2,000/yr. to go to religious youth programs.

Our golf outing in May raised \$6,100 profit. The total of golfers was lower than in the past however we secured 27 hole sponsors which produced a greater profit margin. This is our largest fund raiser for the church. Everyone's participation was greatly appreciated. Our next golf outing is already in the works. We urge everyone to contribute in some way by either playing golf, urging friends who play golf to come out and join us, asking business owners to purchase a hole sponsorship (cost \$100 for a sign advertising their business at a hole), they could provide a donation or you could just come out for the dinner. The event will be held at Harbor Pines Golf Course in Egg Harbor Twp., NJ on

May 20, 2018. It was decided that we try to get a state license for raffles and auctions. Don Wong is working on the paperwork.

Rental income has been very steady. All properties are rented and as of October we have received \$35,837.03 in (net) rental income. The McMullen Fund has yielded \$17,663.36.

Again, this year we hosted the Absecon Cultural Arts Alliance in August. We are also home to Al-Anon, Alcoholics Anonymous, Elections and God is Faithful.

We did have an issue with the borrowing of our van by the Brigantine Presbyterian Church. Due to the differences in our coverages it was decided to add John Scotland (Pastor of BPC) as a driver and allow him to use the van only within the State of NJ.

If you have not turned in your pledge cards for 2018, please take the time to do so now. These pledges are our guide lines in preparing our budget and keeping expenses in line. Also, please be sure to pay your share of the Per Capita Expense so the church doesn't have to take the money from the General Fund.

"From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded and from the one that has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked" Luke 12:48

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy S. Conover, Finance Chairman

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Happy New Year

In 2017 the Worship Committee worked diligently in seeking the position of Director of Music Ministry and as a result Mr. Rick DeKarski accepted and was hired to become part of our church family.

In October Interim Pastor Rev. Thomas Purchase retired to Florida and Rev. Ivo Meilands stepped in while we await a permanent pastor.

I would like to recognize those who, on a daily basis, keep the church running and looking great, Gay Channell, Russ and Linda Adkisson, Jack Heil, and Tina Harvey. Thank you all for your constant dedication.

Sincerely,
Tina Brown, Personnel Chairman

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

For most of the year it was routine maintenance; some painting at both the manse and church, loose bricks to repair, a minor steeple repair and, of course, some snow shoveling. There were two significant jobs completed. First was to power wash the manse.

Second was a significant mold issue in a classroom wall. This required the wall to be torn out, cleaned up and then replaced.

Respectively submitted,
Jan Jorgensen
Property Chairman

FINANCIAL REPORTS OF THE CORPORATION

BUILDING USAGE

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| AI-Anon | \$336.00 |
| AA Groups | \$4,715.00 |
| Alphabet Alley | \$3,000.00 |
| Elections | \$300.00 |
| God is Faithful Church | \$7,600.00 |
| Total 2017 | \$15,951.00 |

CAPITAL FUND SUMMARY

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Balance 12/31/2016 | | \$19,490.30 |
| <u>Receipts:</u> | | |
| Offering - Loose | \$468.28 | |
| Offering - Designated Pledges | \$1,879.32 | |
| Offering - Undesignated Pledges | \$2,338.25 | |
| Bricks | \$65.00 | |
| Other | \$51.20 | |
| Total Receipts | | \$4,802.05 |

Cap. Fund Summary cont.

Disbursements:

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Brick | (\$222.00) | |
| Capital Improvement Heater | (\$688.00) | |
| Total Disbursements | | (\$910.00) |
| Balance 12/31/17 | | \$23,382.35 |

CEMETERY FUND

Balance 12/31/2016 \$ 7,803.08

Receipts:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Bond | \$ - | |
| Plot Sale | \$ - | |
| Interest | \$ 8.62 | |
| Interest UBS | \$ 6,892.50 | |
| Total Receipts | | \$ 6,901.12 |

Disbursements:

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Christmas | \$ (150.00) | |
| Home Depot | \$ (126.65) | |
| 2017 Personnel | \$ (8,226.50) | |
| Gas | \$ (150.00) | |
| Repairs | \$ (33.37) | |
| Total Disbursements | | \$ (8,686.52) |

Balance 12/31/2017 \$ 6,017.68

GENERAL FUND SUMMARY

Balance 01/01/2017 \$78,935.36

Receipts:

Donations:

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Altar Flowers | \$220.00 |
| Christmas Flowers | \$198.50 |
| Easter Flowers | \$84.00 |
| McMullin Trust | \$17,663.36 |
| Misc - Cash | \$1,219.00 |
| Building Usage (see pg. 36) | \$16,001.00 |

Offerings:

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Christmas Eve | \$384.00 |
| Energy Needs | \$1,755.00 |
| Initial | \$90.00 |
| Loose | \$14,095.03 |
| Per Capita | \$3,708.00 |
| Designated Pledge | \$33,258.00 |
| Undesignated Pledge | \$67,800.05 |
| Sunday School | \$2.00 |

Maintenance & Operation:

| | |
|-----------|----------|
| Insurance | \$124.00 |
| Utilities | \$0.00 |

Supplies & Materials:

| | |
|---------|---------|
| Postage | \$60.00 |
|---------|---------|

Programs:

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| King of Kings | \$942.25 |
| Rock Solid | \$861.93 |
| Sunday School | \$1,006.00 |
| Camps & Conferences | \$3,591.50 |

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|------------------------------|-------------|
| Stopfer Building | \$15,110.41 |
| 19 & 23 School Street | \$27,735.78 |
| FUNdraiser | \$25,320.00 |
| Refunds | \$8,226.50 |
| 2016 bank reconciliation adj | \$677.87 |

Total Receipts

\$240,134.18

Disbursements:

Misc. Expenses

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Altar Flowers | (\$110.00) |
| Christmas Flowers | (\$185.90) |
| Easter Flowers | (\$78.40) |
| 19 School St. Expenses | (\$5,719.81) |
| 23 School Street Expenses | (\$5,575.35) |
| Stopfer Building Expenses | (\$7,131.98) |
| Maintenance & Operation | (\$41,841.66) |
| Personnel inc. cemetery | (\$130,584.55) |
| Programs | (\$10,809.34) |
| Supplies & Materials | (\$16,404.31) |
| FUNdraiser | <u>(\$19,073.50)</u> |

Total Disbursements

(\$237,514.80)

Balance 12/31/2017

\$81,554.74

GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS

| | <u>BUDGET</u> | <u>ACTUAL</u> | <u>BUDGET LESS EXPENSE</u> | <u>INCOME</u> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| PERSONNEL | | | | |
| Pastor's Salary | \$47,000.00 | \$33,403.93 | \$13,596.07 | |
| Car | \$3,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,000.00 | |
| Study | \$750.00 | \$0.00 | \$750.00 | |
| Medical/Pension | \$23,000.00 | \$19,438.68 | \$3,561.32 | |
| Administrative Assistant | \$25,000.00 | \$21,714.51 | \$3,285.49 | |
| Director of Music | \$25,000.00 | \$14,192.36 | \$10,807.64 | |
| Payroll Tax Reimburse. | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Treasurer - Chapman | \$0.00 | \$708.36 | (\$708.36) | |
| Treasurer - Sheeran | \$6,500.00 | \$5,452.50 | \$1,047.50 | |
| Christian Ed. Coordinator | \$5,100.00 | \$5,100.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Custodian (Adkisson) | \$12,500.00 | \$11,341.93 | \$1,158.07 | |
| Organist Supply | \$600.00 | \$1,950.00 | (\$1,350.00) | |
| Pastor Search | \$3,000.00 | \$1,258.58 | \$1,741.42 | |
| Pulpit Supply | \$1,000.00 | \$5,171.20 | (\$4,171.20) | |
| Special Music | \$600.00 | \$150.00 | \$450.00 | |
| Payroll Taxes (church portion) | \$7,680.00 | \$7,031.39 | \$648.61 | |
| Subtotal | \$160,730.00 | \$126,913.44 | \$33,816.56 | \$0.00 |
| MAINTENANCE & OPERATION | | | | |
| Custodial Supplies | \$1,100.00 | \$548.48 | \$551.52 | |
| Equipment & Purchases | \$1,000.00 | \$25.67 | \$974.33 | |
| Insurance | \$15,000.00 | \$15,736.22 | (\$736.22) | \$124.00 |
| Maintenance | \$4,400.00 | \$1,720.66 | \$2,679.34 | |
| Manse Maintenance | \$1,000.00 | \$588.89 | \$411.11 | |
| Manse Utilities | \$3,500.00 | \$1,645.63 | \$1,854.37 | |
| Service/Maint. Contracts | \$1,700.00 | \$2,208.35 | (\$508.35) | |
| Utilities | \$18,000.00 | \$17,224.10 | \$775.90 | |
| Van Expenses | \$600.00 | \$1,148.66 | (\$548.66) | |
| Van Insurance | \$1,300.00 | \$995.00 | \$305.00 | |
| Subtotal | \$47,600.00 | \$41,841.66 | \$5,758.34 | \$124.00 |

SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS

| | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| A/V Photo Supplies | \$120.00 | \$92.63 | \$27.37 | |
| Bell Choir | \$150.00 | \$0.00 | \$150.00 | |
| Copier Expense | \$800.00 | \$1,386.43 | (\$586.43) | |
| Miscellaneous | \$300.00 | \$534.01 | (\$234.01) | |
| Music | \$400.00 | \$33.99 | \$366.01 | |
| Office Supplies | \$300.00 | \$1,914.49 | (\$1,614.49) | |
| Per Capita Assessment | \$8,500.00 | \$8,325.00 | \$175.00 | \$3,708.00 |
| Postage | \$1,800.00 | \$1,152.21 | \$647.79 | \$60.00 |
| Printing & Stationery | \$1,800.00 | \$681.82 | \$1,118.18 | |
| Session Fund | \$1,000.00 | \$352.40 | \$647.60 | |
| Stewardship Fund | \$1,000.00 | \$284.39 | \$715.61 | |
| Treasurer Expense | \$700.00 | \$1,646.94 | (\$946.94) | |
| Subtotal | \$16,870.00 | \$16,404.31 | \$465.69 | \$3,768.00 |

PROGRAMS

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 40 Minute Club | \$300.00 | \$122.81 | \$177.19 | |
| Activities & Fellowship: | | | | |
| Church Sponsored Activities | \$1,000.00 | \$266.58 | \$733.42 | |
| Sunday School | \$1,200.00 | \$2,125.79 | (\$925.79) | \$1,006.00 |
| Adult Ed & Devotional Supplies | \$1,000.00 | \$447.00 | \$553.00 | |
| Camps & Conferences | \$400.00 | \$4,026.17 | (\$3,626.17) | \$3,591.50 |
| Confirmation Class | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 | |
| Drama Materials | \$200.00 | \$308.98 | (\$108.98) | |
| Program Groups | | | | |
| King of Kings | \$1,700.00 | \$1,419.64 | \$280.36 | \$942.25 |
| Rock Solid | \$1,000.00 | \$2,092.37 | (\$1,092.37) | \$861.93 |
| Sunday Sch Education Materials | \$700.00 | \$0.00 | \$700.00 | |
| Subtotal | \$7,700.00 | \$10,809.34 | (\$3,109.34) | \$6,401.68 |

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total Gen Fd Disbursements | \$232,900.00 | \$195,968.75 | \$36,931.25 | \$10,293.68 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|

RENTAL PROPERTIES

| | <u>19 School</u> | <u>23 School</u> | <u>Stopfer</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Realtor Report | | | | |
| Rent | \$16,800.00 | \$14,700.00 | \$17,400.00 | \$48,900.00 |
| Late Fee | \$250.00 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 | \$350.00 |
| Commission | (\$1,680.00) | (\$1,470.00) | (\$1,740.00) | (\$4,890.00) |
| Realtor Expenses | (\$599.24) | (\$264.98) | (\$649.59) | (\$1,513.81) |
| Proceeds | \$14,770.76 | \$12,965.02 | \$15,110.41 | \$42,846.19 |
| Income - Realtor (from above) | \$14,770.76 | \$12,965.02 | \$15,110.41 | \$42,846.19 |
| Expenses - Church | | | | |
| Electric | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Fees | (\$676.67) | (\$676.67) | (\$676.66) | (\$2,030.00) |
| Gas | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Property Taxes | (\$4,642.14) | (\$4,497.68) | (\$5,745.22) | (\$14,885.04) |
| Repairs | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | (\$309.10) | (\$309.10) |
| Sewer | (\$401.00) | (\$401.00) | (\$401.00) | (\$1,203.00) |
| Water | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Total Expense | (\$5,719.81) | (\$5,575.35) | (\$7,131.98) | (\$18,427.14) |
| Net Rental Property | \$9,050.95 | \$7,389.67 | \$7,978.43 | \$24,419.05 |

2017 FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

| 2017 Financial Status | 1/1/17 Balance | YTD Income | Dec Income | Dec Expense | YTD Expense | 12/31/17 Balance | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Special Programs | | | | | | | |
| Fellowship Committee | | | | | | | |
| Fellowship | \$958.70 | \$7,339.00 | \$1,587.00 | \$247.44 | \$7,177.66 | \$1,120.04 | |
| Sunday Breakfast | \$342.07 | \$1,487.50 | \$85.00 | \$139.98 | \$1,153.72 | \$675.85 | |
| Men's Club | \$128.51 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$128.51 | |
| Sr. Youth Group | \$228.38 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$228.38 | |
| Memorials | \$0.00 | \$590.00 | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$590.00 | |
| Special Fund | \$1,657.66 | \$9,416.50 | \$1,872.00 | \$387.42 | \$8,331.38 | \$2,742.78 | \$2,742.78 |
| Capital Programs | | | | | | | |
| Capital | \$19,490.30 | \$4,802.05 | \$550.22 | \$0.00 | \$910.00 | \$23,382.35 | |
| Capital Fund | \$19,490.30 | \$4,802.05 | \$550.22 | \$0.00 | \$910.00 | \$23,382.35 | |
| Activities/Special Needs | \$280.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$280.00 | |
| Cobb Honorary Fund | \$17,701.56 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$17,701.56 | |
| SS Sponser Fund | \$2,983.05 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,983.05 | |
| Benevolence | | | | | | | |
| Benevolence | \$3,934.26 | \$25,657.28 | \$3,480.45 | \$722.83 | \$16,671.32 | \$12,920.22 | |
| Mission Sponsors | \$842.37 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$842.37 | |
| Benevolence Fund | \$4,776.63 | \$25,657.28 | \$3,480.45 | \$722.83 | \$16,671.32 | \$13,762.59 | |
| Reimburseables | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$95.00 | (\$95.00) | |
| General Fund (C) | \$78,935.36 | \$240,134.18 | \$29,233.98 | \$11,814.05 | \$237,514.80 | \$81,554.74 | |
| Total All Church Funds | \$125,824.56 | \$280,010.01 | \$35,136.65 | \$12,924.30 | \$263,522.50 | \$142,312.07 | \$142,312.07 |
| Marketable Securities | | | | | | | |
| BF Edwards & Co | \$92,193.31 | | | | | \$122,698.81 | As of 12/31/17 |
| UBS Financial Services | \$288,763.48 | | | | | \$323,663.69 | 12/29/17 |
| New Cov. Treas. Oblig. F | \$391.02 | | | | | \$393.89 | 12/29/17 |
| New Cov. Bal. Inc. Fund | \$54,400.80 | | | | | \$56,797.57 | 12/29/17 |
| Total Marketable Sec. | \$435,748.61 | | | | | \$503,553.96 | |
| Total Church | \$561,573.17 | | | | | \$645,866.03 | |

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2017 Financial Status cont.

| | | | | | | As of | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| OCHB Cemetery | \$7,803.08 | \$6,901.12 | \$1,378.62 | \$8,402.05 | \$8,686.52 | \$6,017.68 | 12/30/17 |
| UBS Financial Services | \$96,792.28 | | | | | \$99,634.03 | 12/29/17 |
| UBS Financial Services | \$75,182.29 | | | | | \$84,301.51 | 12/29/17 |
| Total Cemetery | \$179,777.65 | YTD | DEC | DEC | YTD | \$189,953.22 | |
| Total Income & Expense >>> | | \$286,911.13 | \$36,515.27 | \$21,326.35 | \$272,209.02 | | |
| Cash on hand >>> | \$0.00 | Income | Income | Expense | Expense | \$148,329.75 | |

Notes