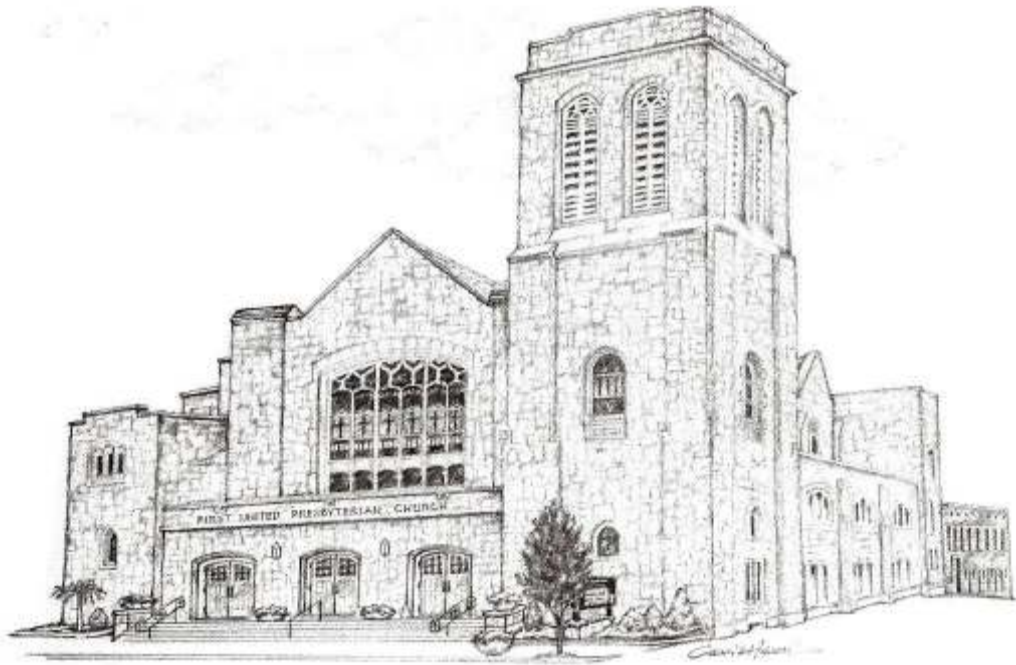


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AGENDA

THE ANNUAL JOINT CORPORATE AND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
of the
First United Presbyterian Church, Bellefontaine, Ohio

January 25, 2015

Pastor, Rob Fulton, Presiding

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OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Membership Statistical Report

Communicant Members January 1, 2014.....	343
Additions: Certificates, profession, restored, other.....	+ 4
Losses: Deaths, Certificates, inactive roll, other.....	- 6
Communicant Members December 31, 2013.....	341

Official Members

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Men	171	190	164	151	153	156	144	146	144	145
Women	<u>226</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>222</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>199</u>	<u>196</u>
Total	397	426	386	354	363	368	339	346	343	341
Family Units	258	263	234	213	211	214	194	192	191	190

Pastor: Rob Fulton

Director of Christian Education & Youth Ministry: Anne Brienza

Treasurer: Sue Dearwester

Assistant Treasurer: Judy Wical

Secretary: Julie McCarthy

Custodian: Ralph Morrison

Organist: Thomas W. Boone

Co-Choir Directors: Cindy Jenkins & Bob Day

Bell Choir Director: Cindy Jenkins

The Session

Class of 2015

Sue Crawfis

Jim Hilliker

Michael Chervenak

Mary Ann Patterson

Brandon Standley

Class of 2016

Eric Adelsberger

Mark Amidon

Vance Holloway

Rachel Lang

Tara Wagner

Class of 2017

Michael Brady

Julie Caughenbaugh

Laura Flora

Ben Stahler

Frank Turner

The Board of Deacons

Class of 2015

Katie Amidon

Tom Ark

Holly Core

Brad Flora

Laurie Harris

Class of 2016

Pam Ark

Karen Baldwin

Bonnie Conley

Paul Deardurff

Art Lloyd

Class of 2017

Kyle Lentz

Phyllis Lyons

Becky Weber

Robyn Wunderle

Paula Wurtsbaugh

REPORT OF SESSION ESSLESIASTICAL MINISTRY TEAMS

WORSHIP & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE MINISTRY TEAM –

Steve Mast, Sue Crawfis Co- Chairs

***Mission:** To enrich the spiritual life of God's People through enhancing worship services and congregational fellowship.*

Committee: Elders Steve Mast, Sue Crawfis, Holly Core, Ranae Lentz, Becky Lentz, Pam Ark, Paul Deardurff and Rob Storm

Staff: Rob Fulton, Tom Boone, Bob Day, Cindy Jenkins

WORSHIP SERVICES

COMMUNION (coordinated by Sue Crawfis)

- Prepared a communion schedule for approval by Session
- Assigned Elders to prepare the elements and serve for each communion

USHERS (coordinated by Steve Mast)

- Developed an usher schedule
- Recruited volunteers and assigned volunteers to teams
- Provided training and oversight for the Usher program and reorganized usher schedule and responsibilities beginning in November
- Electrician security system monitoring was changed from usher's responsibility to sound technician responsibility.

GREETERS (coordinated by Becky Weber)

- Recruited volunteers and coordinated a weekly schedule of greeters for the year

ACOLYTES (coordinated by Holly Core)

- Recruited and trained youth to serve as acolytes
- Developed an annual schedule and assisted acolytes prior to each worship service

LIGHTING & SOUND (Paul Deardurff)

- Recruited and trained adult volunteers to run the lighting and sound system during worship service
- Developed an annual schedule of volunteers

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Provided monthly coffee hours; coordinated by Sue Crawfis
- Provided a modified relaxed Progressive Dinner April 26th, approximately 50 people participated.

MUSIC

- The Jennie Bell Music Award was presented to Holly VanBuskirk for outstanding service of music. The presentation was made by Cindy Jenkins and Bob Day. A plaque is on display in the foyer.

SPECIAL SEASONAL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

LENTEN SEASON

- Pastor Rob Fulton lead a noon Lenten Book Study
- Maundy Thursday Service was held, with a Simple Soup and Salad Meal provided before the service.
- The 8:00 AM Easter service was provided by our Youth Group, Breakfast organized by the Men's Group, plus Worship Services at 10:45

Worship & Congregational Life Ministry Team report cont.

ADVENT SEASON & CHRISTMAS

- With the help from the congregation, the Sanctuary was decorated and undecorated
- The Church Christmas dinner was held December 7th, after the Youth Musical/Play
- Recruited persons in the congregation to portray characters in Nativity Drama for Christmas Eve Services

Special Thanks to:

- Tom Boone, Cindy Jenkins, and Bob Day for their music ministries
- Ranae Lentz for organizing Progressive Dinner and recruitment of characters for Nativity Drama.
- Holly Core for coordinating Acolytes and youth volunteers
- Becky Weber for coordinating Greeter and congregation volunteers
- Rob Storm for organizing the families to light our Advent Candles each week
- December Family Dinner: Sue Crawfis for cooking the meat and for providing table decorations. Thanks also to the Women's Association for providing funding for the meat and rolls.

Report submitted by Steve Mast and Sue Crawfis

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY TEAM – Mary Ann Patterson, Chairperson 2014 Year End Report

The mission of the Christian Education Committee is to provide opportunities for learning about the Word of God to the congregation as a whole.

Anne Brienza served as CE Director full time during 2014.

Following are some of the events that took place within the church family during 2014:

- Youth Fundraising/Mission Trip – A Sub Sandwich sale was held in February, St. Patty Day Luncheon and auction on March 16. The Kroger Community Rewards program also supported Youth Mission Trips. Eight High School students traveled to Webster Springs, WV June 8-14. Seven MS students went to Sandusky for a total of 4 days.
- Held Church Family Night (CFN) February 5 through March 9. No CFN during the fall. Held Wednesday rehearsals to prepare for “Good King Wenceslas” musical presented during the December 7 worship. 20 children participated. In the fall, Tween Club was developed on Wednesdays for 4th and 5th graders.
- Held 9 “Kids Night Out – Parent’s Night Off” on Friday’s. Bible Stories, crafts and games. Well-attended ranging from 17 to 32 in attendance.
- “Jungle Safari” was the Vacation Bible School theme in August. 64 Total attended, along with 12 MS/HS Youth Leaders. Kids were bussed to Kirkmont. A half day preschool was added and held at the church with 10 participants. A summarized evaluation was completed to consider for next year.
- Continued effort to raise money in support of Kirkmont Center. Through VBS, Mission Ministry team, Women’s Association and CE’s fundraising dinner, a total of \$5,504.68 was raised. Held 2 workdays with several adults and kids working on clean up and projects.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY TEAM cont.

- Youth Fellowship activities for both Middle School and High School were held throughout the year with fluctuating participation, as well as a January Lock In.
- Continued 4 Adult Sunday School classes with high attendance and participation.
- Bibles were presented to 2nd graders.
- Building Blocks were presented to 40 SS children/youth for achieving Building Block goals. Continued Adult Building blocks and presented a certificate for completion to 17 adults, along with a spaghetti recognition dinner.
- Mothers and Fathers were honored with small gifts on their special days.
- Graduation Sunday and Coffee hour with Bibles presented to 5 HS Seniors.
- Recognized Sunday School teachers.
- Invited college students to a Sunday School Brunch during Christmas break.
- Prepared for a Live Nativity during the city Christmas Parade but was cancelled due to weather and will be considered next year.

The Committee would like to thank all volunteers who helped to support these activities. The success of the CE committee is totally dependent upon the participants and leaders of these activities.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Ann Patterson, Chairperson

SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY TEAM REPORT – Pam McBrien

The 1st United Presbyterian Church Scholarship Committee had the privilege of awarding 19 scholarships (16 local and 3 county) for a total of \$20,000 to students in our local/county church family in 2014 who are pursuing degrees in their respective fields. Following is the breakdown of the monies awarded for continuing education:

Knief	\$17,000
Merrilees	\$ 1,000
Lawrence	\$ 2,000

All monies were distributed to the students in 2014.

The church is richly blessed to have these funds available each year to assist our students with their financial needs. The members of the Scholarship Committee are: Eric Adelesberger, Mike Brady, Anne Brienza, Mark Butler, Joyce Core, Rachel Lang, Kyle Lentz and Pam McBrien. The Scholarship Committee reviews all scholarship applications and comply with the terms of the wills/legal documents that have been set forth by the donors.

The committee is honored to be a part of this “special” ministry in the life of the church family.

Respectively Submitted,
Pam McBrien, Chairperson

CHURCH GROWTH & MEMBER CARE MINISTRY TEAM – Vicky Petty

In the winter into spring we concentrated on the church roll and ways to get the attendance up for Sunday Services. Thoughts on this were to expand the Facebook postings and the web page updates. Kevin is working on activities for the Men's group.

E1R1 was the summer focus for Vicky and the group, a program with hints on what it meant to reach out to others and invite them back to the church home. Well received by all especially the middle school youth. Much thanks to the youth!!

The F.F.F.F (Fall Family Fun Festival) was a HUGE success this year!! Tripled our guest list from the year before. 112 Church family members and friends enjoyed games, fun and fellowship with each other. A Big thank you to Celynn and Warren Taylor for the use of the Homestead. And thanks to the kids for the help with the clean up to get ready for the event and a special BIG thank you to Trey Henderson and Mark Amidon for the leading of the faith fellowship with us. Hearts were touched that day.....

In the Fall, we turned our sights onto a new church pictorial directory. Pictures were taken and the directory should be completed by the end of January 2015.

Kevin and I would like to personally thank the members of the group for all their hard work and wish them all the success in the year to come!

Vicky Petty

MISSION & OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM - Brandon Standley

Team Members include: Sue Albano, Sue Crawfis, Judy Wical, Phyllis Lyon, Ranae Lentz, Mark Butler, Mark Amidon, Katie Amidon, Deacons representative, Tara Wagner and Brandon Standley.

The last year proved to be another successful year in helping others for our church family. We started the year with the "One Great Hour of Sharing" program that raised \$2,463.92 for world and local mission.

We supported 17 families and 48 children with our Sharing Tree program. This program is our school-aid effort that provides school bags, school supplies and shoes for those that need it the most. This is one of the best ways to help our youth get better prepared for the upcoming school year. By your efforts, this helps lessen the stress on families to provide their kids with the necessary supplies to kick off the school year right!

The 2014 Holland Theater Cruise-In fundraiser was another success. As our downtown fills with antique and classic cars, our church volunteers provide a fantastic opportunity for good food and drink. This is one of our more entertaining tasks we do every year. It is also a fundraising opportunity to do more missions. This year, the committee voted to allow a portion of this event's income to help our volunteers travel to New Jersey for a mission trip to rebuild a portion of the community ravaged by a hurricane. We raised \$775.87 for this event!

MISSION & OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM cont.

Our committee has voted to continue to support Kirkmont Center. A portion of our eligible funds was voted to go towards Kirkmont to keep it a part of our church family.

Our annual Christmas Sharing project was another effort to provide our less fortunate families with gifts and food to celebrate the special season. We were blessed to support 21 families and nearly 50 children this year. With your donations and help, we provided food baskets and gifts to those who passed through our doors. We had nearly 20 volunteers for this event, which again included a child gift wrapping room in which the kids were able to pick from a variety of donated goods and then wrap them for their parent(s). David Ritter played the role of Santa Claus.

Dinner at the Prez was held each month. This program supplies our community members in need, of a sit-down style dinner that is professionally handled with love and dedication by many of our church family. Not only do our guests get to sit down a properly prepared table, they are treated with care and concern while dining. Ranae Lentz has spearheaded this for the last few years and has dedicated countless hours of preparation, service, and clean-up with many volunteers. Theresa Vigansky again supplied warmed coats, gloves and hats to many from your gracious donations.

We are reminded often of the dedicated servants in our church family. Some give by supplying food. Some give by supplying money. Some give by showing up and working as a volunteer. Some choose to give anonymously. However you gave this last year, please know that your support to our community is appreciated and you are helping to make a difference in the lives of all of God's Children.

Respectfully submitted,
Brandon Standley
Mission and Outreach Chairman

MISSION FUND FINANCIAL REPORT:

2014 Mission Fund Financial Report

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BUDGET
Per Capita		3553.42	3553.42
General Assembly Mission		19474.03	19474.03
Weekday Religious Education		500.00	500.00
Sharing Fund	2295.00	4590.03	3600.00
In-Church Sharing Fund	1989.06	650.14	
National & Global Missions		0.00	1000.00
Board of Deacons		1000.00	1000.00
Kirkmont Center	3401.88	4104.88	1000.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	2463.92	2463.92	
Sharing Tree Project	1870.00	1618.38	
Tuesday Dinner @ the Prez	3743.01	3595.53	500.00
Christmas Sharing Project	880.00	498.64	
Holland Theatre Cruise-In	775.87		
(Adult Mission Trip)		775.87	
TOTAL	\$ 17,418.74	\$ 42,824.84	\$ 30,627.45

PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM REPORT – Michael Chervenak & Beth Powers, Co-Chairs

Projects Completed in 2014:

- Cleaning of Bell Tower
- Replaced Sanctuary Air Conditioning compressor
- Replaced electric panel for boiler pumps to properly handle the load
- Boiler pump repairs and other misc. repairs
- Replaced carpeting on columns in gym due to wear and to match new color scheme
- Deterred roosting and nesting of pigeons in bell tower by covering openings and installing sonic repellent
- Patching of roof leaks (Lee's Roofing – warranty work)

We also need to recognize the wonderful volunteer efforts of Art Lloyd in installing new windows in the courtyard/corridor wall. This has significantly brightened up this area and improved the thermal performance of this wall. Art has also begun the first phase of the beautification of the courtyard into a Memorial Garden by installing a fence to screen of the A/C condensing unit. He has also assisted Ralph with other maintenance and improvement projects around the church.

Ralph Morrison continues to do a yeoman's job in keeping our facilities maintained, repaired, cleaned, and ready for every service or event.

Beginning Balance 1/1/2014 from May & EE Patterson Endowment		7,300.00
	Total Funds:	7,300.00
<u>Capital Improvement Expenses</u>		
Doug Fleischmann (Cleaning of Bell Tower)	800.00	
Reliant Mechanical Inc. (replace compressor & repairs)	2,847.05	
Reliant Mechanical Inc. (boiler pump, 5-yr cleaning & inspection, etc.)	2,385.50	
Thompson Electric (Replace fuse box with panel)	287.27	
Bird Gard Pro	245.90	
James Floors & Interiors (carpet on gym poles)	650.00	
	Total Capital Improvement Expenses:	7,215.72

Looking ahead to 2015

Our wonderful old masonry building requires ongoing maintenance to keep us all dry and warm. The masonry itself requires periodic re-pointing and sealing. We will need to address the areas of greatest need on an annual basis to be able to properly maintain the structure while staying within our budget. Currently the east wall / Main Street entrance area and portions of the Bell Tower are in the greatest need of attention to prevent and further deterioration.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE MINISTRY TEAM – Eric Adelsberger, Chairperson

- 2014 members include: Eric Adelsberger, Mike Brady, Sue Dearwester, Bridgett Hawkins, Jim Hilliker, Vance Holloway, Steve Mast, and Jeanne Zupp. Julie McCarthy, Church Secretary, served the committee as Financial & Recording Secretary and also prepared agendas and financial reports for our meetings. Rev. Rob Fulton also attended, participated, and provided guidance during our meetings.
- On February 15, 2014 our team met and performed the Annual Church Audit for the prior year 2013. All records reviewed by the Audit Committee were well organized and found to be in good order. There were no items of concern noted during the review that needed to be addressed through written comments or that require follow up action.
- Our team met on a monthly basis with only a few exceptions during the year. During our meetings we routinely reviewed the revenues and expenses for First United Presbyterian. We compared the actual revenues and expenses with budgeted and/or expected amounts. During the summer months actual giving began to lag behind pledged giving noticeably. Our committee monitored actual giving versus pledged giving closely for the remaining portion of 2014 and reported to session monthly. A financial recap of 2014 activities as compared to the three prior years is as follows:
 - 2014 pledges = 91 pledges received = \$ 227,840.00, total GF giving = \$ 278,446.23
 - 2013 pledges = 95 pledges received = \$ 225,172.00, total GF giving = \$ 275,196.56
 - 2012 pledges = 107 pledges received = \$ 244,296.50, total GF giving = \$ 291,961.89
 - 2011 pledges = 111 pledges received = \$ 253,694.00, total GF giving = \$ 302,323.73
- During the Fall of 2014 our team presented the 2015 stewardship campaign, “**Thank you for your Faithfulness to Christ’s Church**”. 2015 monetary pledges total \$222,324. 92 pledges were received, 30 were increases, 38 remained the same, and 14 decreased, and 10 were new pledges.
- During the month of December our committee prepared a budget for the 2015 calendar year that will be presented to Session on January 7, 2015.

The Stewardship and Finance Committee would like to thank the members and friends of First United Presbyterian for their continued faithfulness in the life and work of this Church. It is our privilege and pleasure to serve God, this Church, and each of you through our work.

2014 ACTUAL - 2015 PROPOSED GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Income:

CONGREGATION	2014 BUDGET	2014 ACTUAL	2015 BUDGET
Balance Carried Forward	15,257.88		12,882.21
Original Pledged Amount	227,840.00		222,324.00
4% discount 2015	9,114.00		8,893.00
Pledges after discount	218,726.00	219,968.60	213,431.00
Non-pledges	46,900.00	48,717.06	48,600.00
Loose Offering	4,000.00	4,851.55	4,000.00
Sunday School Offering	2,000.00	2,254.72	2,000.00
Misc. Offering	4,000.00	2,654.30	3,000.00
SUBTOTAL	290,883.88	278,446.23	283,913.21
Endowments			
Hilliker	4,118.00	4,100.00	3,850.00
Booth Fund	9,957.00	9,800.00	8,300.00
Heibeck Endowment	6,470.00	6,400.00	5,300.00
May & EE Patterson Endowment (Capital Expenses)	7,700.00	7,215.72	6,500.00
H. Patterson Endowment	2,745.00	2,745.00	1,850.00
Otte Endowment	830.00	830.00	500.00
Ramsey Endowment	220.00	220.00	100.00
SUBTOTAL	32,040.00	31,310.72	26,400.00
TOTAL	322,923.88	309,756.95	310,313.21

2014 ACTUAL - 2015 PROPOSED GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Expenditures:

PERSONNEL	2014 BUDGET	2014 ACTUAL	2015 BUDGET
*Pastor's Salary	40,800.00	40,799.98	40,800.00
Housing Allowance	24,338.22	24,338.28	24,338.00
Social Security	4,983.07	4,983.07	4,983.07
Major Medical	14,981.79	14,981.76	15,959.00
Retirement/Disability	7,816.59	7,816.56	7,817.00
Supplemental Medical	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Study/Professional Reimbursement	4,200.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
*Director of C.E. & Youth Salary & Retirement	38,095.20	38,095.20	38,095.20
Social Security	2,575.00	2,913.01	2,914.00
Retirement/Disability	0.00	0.00	0.00
Educational Reimbursement	2,400.00	155.00	2,400.00
*Secretary's Salary & Retirement	33,402.30	33,402.30	33,402.30
Social Security	2,096.28	2,555.05	2,555.00
Retirement/Disability	0.00	0.00	0.00
*Custodian's Salary	22,726.62	22,726.62	22,726.62
Social Security	1,738.59	1,738.66	1,738.59
Organist's Salary	6,953.34	6,953.40	6,953.34
Social Security	531.93	531.96	531.93
*Choir Director's Salary	5,712.00	5,712.00	5,712.00
Social Security	436.97	437.04	436.97
*Handbell Director's Salary	4,133.04	4,133.04	4,133.04
Social Security	316.18	316.21	316.18
* Nursery Attendant (\$30.00 per Sunday)	1,607.00	1,560.00	1,607.00
Social Security	123.00	119.36	123.00
SUBTOTAL	222,367.12	220,868.50	224,142.24

ADMINISTRATION	2014 BUDGET	2014 ACTUAL	2015 BUDGET
Office Expense and Supplies	3,700.00	2,120.31	2,350.00
Postage	1,800.00	1,744.20	1,700.00
Service Agreements	1,800.00	1,801.53	1,800.00
Travel reimbursement	5,500.00	3,632.85	4,000.00
Telephone	2,000.00	2,179.05	3,000.00
Worker's Compensation	800.00	430.35	500.00
SUBTOTAL	15,600.00	11,908.29	13,350.00

PROPERTY			
City Utilities	1,900.00	1,948.09	1,900.00
Dayton Power & Light/Direct Energy	7,000.00	5,117.61	6,000.00
Vectren (\$1,000 month)	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Supplies and General Maintenance	6,500.00	5,328.69	5,500.00
Insurance	6,800.00	6,844.00	6,900.00
Capital Improvement Fund	7,300.00	7,215.72	3,500.00
SUBTOTAL	41,500.00	38,454.11	35,800.00

SESSION COMMITTEES			
Christian Education	5,000.00	4,728.29	4,400.00
Church Growth/Member Care	1,000.00	1,132.94	750.00
Stewardship & Finance	700.00	452.61	500.00
Worship	4,500.00	4,650.68	4,000.00
Books and Publications	250.00	369.73	200.00
SUBTOTAL	11,450.00	11,334.25	9,850.00

MISSION BEYOND OURSELVES			
Per Capita (\$10.32 per member for 2015)	3,553.42	3,553.42	3,529.44
G.A./Synod/Presbytery	19,474.03	19,474.04	18,000.00
Weekday Religious Education	500.00	500.00	0.00
Kirkmont Center	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Sharing Fund	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,000.00
National & Global Mission	1,000.00		500.00
Board of Deacons	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
Tuesday Dinner @ the Prez	500.00	500.00	0.00
Lighthouse Shelter			600.00
SUBTOTAL	30,627.45	29,627.46	27,129.44

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	321,544.57	312,192.61	310,271.68
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REPORT OF SESSION CORPORATE MINISTRY TEAMS

ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT – D. James Hilliker, Treasurer

The Endowment Fund Committee is responsible to receive donors' gifts to the church, insure that the wishes of the donors are honored, and to invest those funds with a priority of principal preservation and competitive interest return. To implement this conservative investment philosophy, the committee, over the past twenty years, has consistently invested the majority of the Fund in medium and long-term United States Government Bonds. This has provided a steady interest return and insured principal preservation. Beginning in 2013, the committee expanded its conservative bond investment philosophy to include high-grade, AAA rated, general obligation municipal/county/state bonds. The market value of our bonds continue to exceed the face value. As of 12/31/2014, the obligations of the Endowment Fund (principal and accumulated interest) were \$1,220,691.31. As of the same date the market value of the Endowment Fund was approximately \$1,290,660.02, resulting in a market surplus of \$69,968.71.

During 2014, the Endowment Fund earned an average of 5.32% interest. This interest is comprised of 5.76% for funds under the investment management of the committee and 2.48% for gifts of specific assets. The 5.76% return in 2014 is due partially to the receipt in 2014 of \$6,008.00 of 2013 interest. Without this one-time event, the funds under the investment management of the committee would have earned 5.17%.

Programs supported by the Fund's interest continue to include our Church's Sharing Fund, our Christian Education Program, and the Scholarship Program of our church. \$20,000 was granted to college scholarship recipients in 2014.

Gifts can be donated to our church through the Endowment Fund in three ways: restricted principal and restricted interest, restricted principal and non-restricted interest, non-restricted principal and non-restricted interest. All members of the congregation are encouraged to use the Endowment Fund to make contributions that will provide long-term benefits to the program life of our church.

Your Endowment Committee:

J. MacAlpine Smith, President

D. James Hilliker, Treasurer

Anne Brienza

Michael Brady

Vance Holloway

Endowment report

REPORT OF ORGANIZATIONS AND BOARDS

REPORT OF BOARD OF DEACONS 2014 – Deb Day, Moderator

The 2014 Board of Deacons had another busy year its ministry of supporting of our congregation.

Many visits were made to our “Special Care” members and friends. We had the honor of hosting three funeral dinners for our church families. The Deacons continued to support Our Daily Bread with our monthly donation from our Two-Cents a Meal program as well as assisting with the preparation, serving and clean-up of the monthly “Dinner at the Prez”.

The Deacons continued to look for ways to serve our congregation. Such actions included arranging for funds for Kirkmont Camperships and the purchase of Sharing Tree Bibles, providing two individuals to assist with the elevator and to deliver “We Care” Posters, and collecting and washing the communion ware when communion is served. We also continued to explore ideas for increasing Sunday attendance.

Some new activities this year included participation in the 1st UPC “ALS Ice Bucket Challenge” and the collection of household and personal items to be donated to our local homeless shelter.

As my term of service on this board ends, I thank each and every member for the contribution of their time and talents. It has been an honor and privilege to work with each of you.

Submitted in Christ’s love,
Deb Day, Moderator

BOARD OF DEACONS FINANCIAL REPORT 2014 – Karen Baldwin, Treasurer

1/1/2014 BEGINNING BALANCE: **\$ 1,653.26**

RECEIPTS:

2 Cents A Meal	\$ 1,392.79	
Missions	1,000.00	
2013 Advent	79.75	
2014 Advent	431.00	
Funeral Donations	<u>250.00</u>	
Total Receipts:		\$ 3,153.54

DISBURSEMENTS:

2013 Advent Expenses	\$ 107.90	
2014 Advent Expenses	174.64	
Our Daily Bread	850.00	
Dinner @ the Prez	350.00	
Bibles	100.66	
Kirkmont Camperships	652.50	
Funeral Expenses	<u>52.87</u>	
Total Disbursements:		\$ 2,288.57

12/31/2014 ENDING BALANCE: **\$ 2,518.23**

Women's Association Annual Report -2014 – Bridget Hawkins, Moderator

The Women's Association had a very successful and exciting year. We began our year by meeting as a board and establishing our goals for the year.

In February we sent Valentine boxes to our college students and those in the military. The boxes were filled with a myriad of items and I am sure they were enjoyed by those who received them.

In March we held our Annual Dessert Auction which brought in over \$2800.00 of which all of the proceeds were donated to our youth to assist them with their mission trip. We had a new auctioneer this year, Mr. Jackson and we thank him for his willingness to step in. We will miss Nigel Standley who was our auctioneer for several years. Thank you to all those who provided goodies for the auction and those who purchased the delicious desserts. Without you, it would not have been successful.

Our Mother-Daughter Tea was held in May on a beautiful Sunny Sunday afternoon. Over 100 women attended the Garden Party. The men's group of our church graciously served us our meals and beverages. We also enjoyed the vocal stylings of Amy Flaws (talented daughter of Warren & Celynn Taylor) Thank you to all those who helped make the Mother-Daughter Tea a success. Thank you to Betty Lloyd for providing the beautiful table decorations for our party.

In July we hosted the Red Cross Bloodmobile with Becky Mast heading up this event. We learned from Betty Hunt that very few churches are willing to provide refreshments for the donors and employees of the Red Cross. We believe it is a worthy mission and hope that we will be able to continue hosting this event.

Our Annual Women's Retreat was again held in September at Kirkmont Center in the Croft House. Our theme was, "Don't Shine so others can see you. Shine so that through you, others can see Him". Over thirty women attended the retreat which was led by Rachel Lang. It was a time of fellowship, food and fun. Thank you to all who helped make this retreat a success. We hope to see more women attend next year.

In November we had the Election Day luncheon. Thanks to the organizational skills of Becky Mast and Jennifer Crisler it was another success resulting in a net profit of \$3248.37. I would also like to thank Pam Ark who held a craft night every month to ensure we had items to sell and to Joyce Core who was in charge of the Bazaar. The food was delicious, thank you to all who helped make the noodles and a great big thank you to all of the volunteers who provided food and their time to make the luncheon a success.

Also in November we held our Thank Offering Sunday. Kim Forsythe provided the message, "A Cracked Pot". We thank her for her wonderful and heartfelt message. We collected \$346.00 which will be sent to Presbyterian Women to be used for world missions.

Once again in December we hosted the Red Cross Bloodmobile. Thank you to all who provided cookies and helped to make this event a success.

The Women's Association continues to provide roses for new babies born in our church, and a blanket or children's bible for children baptized. In addition we continue to provide paper products for our kitchen.

Finally, the Women's Association has donated monies to the 1st UPC Sharing Fund, Kirkmont Center and Western Outreach Center.

I would like to thank our board members who include, Pam Ark, Becky Mast, Laura Flora, Melanie Smith, Vicky Petty and Amy McIntyre. I would not have been able to do it without you and I appreciate your help and support this last year.

Respectfully submitted,
Bridget Hawkins, Moderator

Presbyterian Women's Association

Treasurer's Report

Laura Flora, Treasurer

Balance December 31, 2013

\$1,845.76

Income

Election Day Luncheon	\$2,831.30
Fall Retreat	\$1,020.00
Dessert Auction	\$2,877.00
Least Coin	\$34.84
Bazaar	\$1,323.10
Transfer from Saving/Endowment	\$4,817.20
Thank Offering	\$346.00

Total Income

\$13,249.44

Expenses

Kirkmont Center	\$2,000.00
1 st UPC Sharing Fund	\$500.00
1 st UPC Youth Mission	\$2,877.00
Western Outreach Center	\$1,000.00
Miami Valley Women's Association	\$522.62
Christmas Dinner	\$189.25
Kitchen Supplies	\$67.95
Paper Supplies	\$481.73
New Baby Roses/Special Gifts	\$113.00
Election Day Luncheon	\$620.49
Mother/Daughter Tea	\$639.93
Fellowship Events	\$45.84
Fall Retreat	\$1,542.97
Mailing Expenses	\$145.00
Bazaar Expenses	\$253.52
Thank Offering	\$346.00
Least Coin Offering	\$109.89
Bloodmobile	\$142.13
PWA Aiken Flowers	\$412.82

Total Expenses

\$12,010.14

Balance December 31, 2014

\$3,085.06

Passbook Savings Account

Balance December 31, 2013	\$2,450.66
Interest	\$0.30
Deposits	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$1,800.00

Balance December 31, 2014

\$650.96

PWA Endowment Funds

Principal Balance 12/31/14	\$53,000.07
Interest Earned & Used / 2014	\$3,017.20

**The Annual Joint and Congregational Meeting
First United Presbyterian Church
February 2, 2014**

The annual joint corporate and congregational meeting of the First United Presbyterian Church of Bellefontaine, Ohio having been duly called and publicly advertised on at least two succeeding Sundays, was opened during worship, following the prayer of invocation on February 2, 2014. The Moderator declared a quorum (at least 37 members) present. Clerk of Session, Mary Ann Patterson served as secretary.

The stated purpose of the meeting is to review the 2013 Annual Statistical Report, reports of Ecclesiastical and Corporate Committees of Session and other boards and organizations of the church.

Moderator Fulton opened the floor for any comments or questions regarding the Annual Report for 2013. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Annual Report for 2013 as written. The Annual Report for 2013 was approved without opposition.

Moderator Fulton then introduced Eric Adelsberger, Chair of the Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team to speak about the budget portion of the report. Eric stated that the 2014 budget is complete and allows for a 2% pay increase for church employees. The Session approved the final budget and recommended this pay increase at their regular meeting on January 9th. Eric opened the floor for any comments or questions regarding the proposed 2014 budget. Since the congregation is responsible for approving any changes in terms of the Pastor's Call a motion was made and seconded to approve the Pastors Terms of Call for 2014 as follows: Salary \$40,800, Housing \$24,338.22; Social Security \$4,983.07; Major Medical \$14,981.79; Retirement/Disability \$7,816.59; Supplemental Medical \$2,400; Study/Professional Reimbursement \$4,200. The motion was approved without opposition.

Moderator Fulton returned and asked if there were any other items from the report that needed discussion, or any other items to bring before the congregation. There being no further business to come before the congregation, the Moderator said that the Annual Report provides only a glimpse of who we are and the many things that we do and thanked everyone for their efforts and involvement in our church. Moderator Fulton closed the meeting with prayer and returned to the worship service.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Ann Patterson, Clerk

Robert B. Fulton, Moderator

**The Annual Congregational Meeting
First United Presbyterian Church
October 12, 2014**

The 2014 Fall Congregational Meeting of the First United Presbyterian Church, having been duly advertised and announced in church publications and from the pulpit on at least two successive Sundays, was conducted during worship on Sunday, October 12, 2014. The purpose of the meeting was the election of officers and a report from the Stewardship and Finance Ministry team. Pastor Rob Fulton opened the meeting following the call to worship and Lord's Prayer. Clerk of Session Mary Ann Patterson served as secretary. The required quorum of 34 persons was well exceeded.

Elder Steve Mast, co-chair of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers.

Elders nominated for Election for the Class of 2017 are Michael Brady, Julie Caughenbaugh, Laura Flora, Ben Stahler, and Frank Turner. The Moderator asked if there were other nominations from the floor and there were none. The nominations were closed and approved without opposition.

Deacons nominated for Election for the Class of 2017 are Kyle Lentz, Phyllis Lyons, Becky Weber, Robyn Wunderle, and Paula Wurtsbaugh. The Moderator asked if there were other nominations from the floor and there were none. The nominations were closed and approved without opposition.

Nominations for the Congregational Nominating Committing for 1 year terms are Bob Day, Julie McCarthy, Barbara Stewart and Kris Myers. The Moderator asked if there were other nominations from the floor and there were none. The nominations were closed and approved without opposition.

Moderator Fulton asked Clerk of Session to present the Session nominations for 3 year terms on the Church Endowment Board. Those nominations are Michael Brady and Eric Adelsberger. The nominations were closed and approved without opposition.

Moderator Fulton then introduced Eric Adelsberger, Chair of the Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team. Eric shared the many things in this church for which he is thankful. He then introduced this year's Stewardship Theme "Thank You for Faithfulness to Christ's Church". Letters will be mailed on October 22 with the completion target of November 2, 2014.

There being no further business for which the meeting was called, Moderator Fulton closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Ann Patterson, Clerk

Robert B. Fulton, Moderator

VISION STATEMENT
Of the
First United Presbyterian Church
Bellefontaine, Ohio

Responding to the amazing grace of God made real in our lives
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we are a community of faith called to witness to the Good News of God's love
for all people.

Our congregation will be a vital, vibrant center of
Christian faith and practice
where Jesus Christ is personally known,
where people's needs are truly met,
from which people are sent;
scattered in effective ministry and mission
in the home, the marketplace, the community, and the world.

We will build our church on the firm foundation of Jesus Christ
who is Lord and head of the Church,
and upon the rich heritage of our congregation.
We will embrace the wonderful diversity of our God-given gifts,
yet value the common life of faith we share together
as followers of Christ.

As disciples of the Living Lord, we are called to:
witness to the glory of God,
care for one another in the community of faith,
minister to the needs and challenges of our individual members,
nourish growth toward faithful discipleship,
give ourselves in ministry as servants of the gospel,
Work to establish local and international missions,
respond in faithfulness to the changing issues of the world,
inviting all people to share in the joy of Christian faithfulness.

From the heart of a city set high on a hill,
we believe we are called to live the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ:
"Your light must shine in the sight of all people,
so that seeing your good deeds,
they may give praise to your Father in heaven."
(Matthew 5:16)

*Reaching Out to Nurture God's People with the
Good News of Christ's Love!*