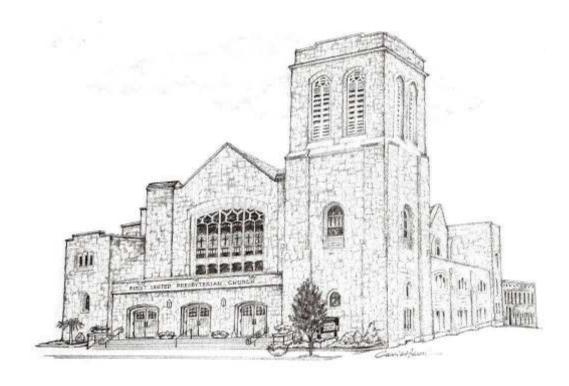
2015 ANNUAL REPORT

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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AGENDA

THE ANNUAL JOINT CORPORATE AND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING of the

First United Presbyterian Church, Bellefontaine, Ohio

January 31, 2016

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, 2015	341
Additions: Certificates, profession, restored, other	. + 25
Losses: Deaths, Certificates, inactive roll, other	<u>66</u>
Communicant Members December 31, 2015	300

Official Members

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Men	190	164	151	153	156	144	146	144	145	135
Women Total	236 426	222 386		210 363				199 343	196 341	165 300
Family Units	263	234	213	211	214	194	192	191	190	164

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

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Eric Adelsberger	Michael Brady	Mark Butler
Mark Amidon	Julie Caughenbaugh	Bridget Hawkins
Vance Holloway	Laura Flora	Jeannie Lloyd
Rachel Lang	Ben Stahler	Pam McBrien
Tara Bair	Frank Turner	Larry McCarthy
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The Board of Deacons

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Pam Ark	Kyle Lentz	Sue Albano
Karen Baldwin	Phyllis Lyons	Cathy Draper
Bonnie Conley	Becky Weber	Martha Lang
Paul Deardurff	Robyn Wunderle	Nancy Wisse
Art Lloyd	Paula Wurtsbaugh	Barbara Stewart

REPORT OF SESSION ESSLESIASTICAL MINISTRY TEAMS

WORSHIP & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE MINISTRY TEAM -

Eric Adelsberger, Julie Caughenbaugh, Sue Crawfis Co- Chairs

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

Committee: Elders Eric Adelsberger, Julie Caughenbaugh, Sue Crawfis, Holly Core, Ranae

Lentz, Becky Lentz, Paul Deardurff, 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

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
- A pancake supper was included in this year's Ash Wednesday evening worship service
- Provided a modified relaxed Progressive Dinner April 25th, approximately 50 people participated.
- A church-wide Birthday Party/talent show, held on Sept. 13th was well attended.

MUSIC

- The Jennie Bell Music Award was presented to Jim Collins and Virginia Shafer for outstanding service of music. The presentation was made by Cindy Jenkins and Bob Day. A plaque is on display in the foyer.
- The purchase of a new piano cover was made by Cindy Jenkins

SPECIAL SEASONAL WORSHIP OPPORTUNTIES

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

ADVENT SEASON & CHRISTMAS

• With the help from the congregation, the Sanctuary was decorated and undecorated

- A special Hanging of the Greens service was held this year to begin the Advent season
- The Church Christmas dinner was held December6th, 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 and Eric Adelsberger for organizing Progressive Dinner and to Ranae for recruitment of characters for Nativity Drama.
- Holly Core for coordinating Acolytes and youth volunteers
- Becky Weber for coordinating Greeter and congregation volunteers
- Sue Dearwester for preparing the Children's Activity Bags each week
- December Family Dinner: Sue Crawfis and Julie Caughenbaugh for cooking the the meat and to Betty Lloyd, for providing table decorations. Thanks also to the Women's Association for providing funding for the meat and rolls.

Report submitted by Eric Adelsberger, Julie Caughenbaugh and Sue Crawfis

<u>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY TEAM</u> – Mary Ann Patterson, Chairperson **2015 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 2015.

Following are some of the events that took place within the church family during 2015:

- Youth Fundraising/Mission Trip A Super Bowl Sub sale was held February 1, St. Patrick's Day Luncheon and auction March 15, and Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre March 22.
- Seven High School students and 3 adults traveled to Philadelphia, PA June 12-19. Seven Middle School students and 2 adults traveled to Lexington, KY June 3-8.
- Youth Fellowship activities for both Middle School and High School were held throughout the year with fluctuating participation. Highlights included the MS & HS Lock Ins, VBS leadership, Noor Islamic Center & Skyzone.
- Held Wednesday rehearsals and dinner for 25 children October 21 through December 2 to prepare for "The Grumpy Shepherd" Christmas musical presented during the December 6 worship. Directed by Trey Henderson and Camryn Clark.
- Held 8 monthly Friday night "Kids Night Out Parent's Night Off programs. Between 24 and 32 children (1st UPC Kids, friends and teen leaders) ages 4 through 5th grade participated in Bible Stories, crafts and games.
- "SonRise National Park" was the Vacation Bible School theme in August.

 Attendance: 96 (12-½ day preschoolers at church, 67 school age and 17 MS/HS Teen leaders). Kids were bussed to Kirkmont. A summarized evaluation was completed to consider for next year.
- A Confirmation Class was held for 16 Middle School Students, joining the church on the Sunday after Easter.

- Continued 4 Adult Sunday School classes (5 teachers) with an average attendance of 38.
 Children's Sunday School (14 teachers) averaged 31 children and teens/week in 6 different classes.
- Bibles were presented to five 2nd graders.
- Building Blocks were presented to 47 children & youth for achieving Building Block goals. We continued Adult Building blocks with minimal participation. By completing their building blocks, 11 children and teens received 50% off their camp fee for Kirkmont Center. (funds provided by the CE committee and Deacons)
- Church Women & Men were honored with small gifts on Mother's Day & Father's Day.
- Graduation Sunday and Coffee hour with Bibles presented to 8 HS Seniors.
- Recognized Sunday School teachers.
- Recognized Anne Brienza, CE Director during Church for her efforts.
- Painted grade 4-5 and 2-3 Sunday School classrooms.
- Joan Smith provided a monthly bulletin board at the entrance to the chapel.
- Reviewed and discussed The Chapter "Intentional Faith Development" from <u>The Practice</u> of Intentional Faith Development in order to consider new activities.

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

<u>SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY TEAM REPORT</u> – Pam McBrien, Chairperson

The 1st United Presbyterian Church Scholarship Committee had the privilege of awarding 20 scholarships (17 local and 3 county) for a total of \$20,000 to students in our local/county church family in 2015 who are pursuing degrees in their respective fields. Following is the breakdown of the monies awarded for continuing education:

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All monies were distributed to the students in 2015.

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 -

Rachel Lang and Laura Flora, Co Chairs

This year's work included the final steps in creating the 2015 Church Directory, reviewing the rolls, discussing church membership and activity status, the annual Fall Festival at Kirkmont and visitor resources.

Kevin Harris and Vicki Shields organized the directory work but this year the committed reviewed the proof to confirm or correct each page. Directories were labeled and distributed to those who had photos taken.

As required by the Book of Order, the rolls were reviewed. Members who have not been active in the life of the church were moved to inactive status. Several members where contacted in hopes of encouraging them to reengage in activities.

The committee teamed with the Middle School and High School youth to plan and lead the annual Fall Festival, this year held at Kirkmont. It was held in September and the turnout was good. From Cage Ball and hikes to reflective time in the Labyrinth and a scenic wagon ride, there were many activities to fill the afternoon. Dinner included a cookout with all the s'mores the guests could eat! Trey Henderson led Vespers at the fire pit.

During each meeting conversation centered on how we can support visitors. We are constructing visitor bags, an updated Life in the Church Year-at-a-Glance list and considering how to form a mentor program for new members.

Thank you, Rachel Lang

MISSION & OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM - Mark Amidon & Tara Bair, Co-Chairs

The past year was successful for the ministry team and many folks were positively affected by the generosity the Presbyterian Church family. We elected to offer more services at the monthly dinner at the Prez and to continue support to Kirkmont center.

The goal for One Great Hour of Sharing was met, again thanks to a giving congregation.

Both the back to school and Christmas sharing tree projects were well received and perhaps as gratifying to the helpers as they were to those helped. Another huge thank you to all who contributed.

Thanks are also due to everyone who volunteered for helping with the Holland theater cruise in. Getting a bratwurst from the good people at the Presbyterian Church has become staple for many who attend each year. Profits were donated to Kirkmont Center.

2015 Mission Fund Financial Report

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BUDGET
Per Capita	1337.85	3539.76	3539.76
General Assembly Mission		18000.00	18000.00
Lighthouse Shelter		600.00	600.00
Sharing Fund	4120.00	3323.34	3000.00
National & Global Missions		500.00	500.00
Board of Deacons		500.00	500.00
Kirkmont Center		1000.00	1000.00
In-Church Sharing Fund	345.34	590.00	
One Great Hour of Sharing	2212.71	2212.71	
Sharing Tree Project	1805.00	1855.13	
Tuesday Dinner @ the Prez	4207.45	2579.76	
Christmas Sharing Project	1018.00	970.35	
Holland Theatre Cruise-In	1482.00	1482.00	
Special Offering "Nepal"	270.00	270.00	
Kathwood Baptist Church "SC Floods"	627.00	627.00	
PDA "South Carolina Floods"	262.00	262.00	
TOTAL	\$17,687.35	\$38,312.05	\$27,139.76

PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM – Chairperson: Michael Chervenak

Budgetary uncertainty overshadowed much of the Property Committee's planning and capital improvement efforts for the first half of the year, causing us to take a very conservative approach and limiting what we could take on. We began the year with less than half the Capital Improvement budget of the previous year. As the financial forecast stabilized we addressed the areas of greatest need.

Projects in 2015:

- Re-caulking front entry steps (Ralph and Art).
- Together with our neighbors, we jointly made improvements to the paved parking areas behind the church. We were able to do this cost effectively by contracting this as a joint project.
- We began the much needed repairs to the masonry wall at the Main Street entrance. This work will be completed in the spring, as soon as weather permits.

We also need to recognize the wonderful volunteer efforts of several members of the congregation.

- Sue Crawfis for leadership in converting the courtyard into an inviting Memorial Garden as well as all those who volunteered their time and talents to make it a reality.
- Art Lloyd's ongoing assistance to Ralph with various maintenance and improvement projects around the church.
- Anne Brienza and team for painting of the Sunday School classrooms off of the Chapel.
- Bill Wical for working with Thompson Electric to chase down several electrical issues; and for his willingness to assist wherever needed.

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 1/1/2015 from May & EE Patterson Endowment		3,500.00
Total Fund	ds:	3,500.00
Capital Improvement Expenses		
Thompson Electric	259.67	
Mike Phillips (reseal parking lot)	500.00	
Doug Fleischmann (Masonry repairs)	2,740.33	
Total Capital Improvement Expenses:		3,500.00
Balance in the Capital Improvement Budget Line:		0

Looking ahead to 2016

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. We are currently addressing the east wall / Main Street entrance area. Portions of the Bell Tower are our next area of concern.

We hope to re-carpet the Choir Loft and Choir Room areas as budgets allow in 2016. These areas are past due for replacement and are thread-bare in many areas. This work was originally slated for 2014/2015 but postponed due to the limited budget.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE MINISTRY TEAM - D. James Hilliker, Chair

- The 2015 Stewardship and Finance Ministry team included Jim Hilliker, Steve Mast, Bridget Hawkins, Sue Dearwester, Eric Adelsberger, Mike Brady and Jeanne Zupp. Julie McCarthy, Church Secretary, served as Financial and Recording Secretary and also ably prepared agendas and financial reports for our meetings. Rev. Rob Fulton also attended, as his guidance and input were immeasurably valuable.
- Our ministry team performed the church audit for year ending 12/31/2014. All records were found to be in good order and were well organized. No items of concern were noted during the review that needed to be addressed or that required follow-up action.
- Our ministry team usually met once a month to review revenue and expenses for the church. We compared actual revenue and expenses with budget/expected revenue and expenses. Our team monitored actual giving versus pledged giving and reported to session monthly. A financial recap of 2015 activities compared to the three prior years is as follows:
 - 2015 pledges = 91 pledges received = \$ 221,124.00, total GF giving \$ 220,611.07
 - 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 = \$ 224,296.50, total GF giving \$ 291,961.89
- During the Fall of 2015, our team presented the 2016 stewardship campaign, "WE ARE THE CHURCH TOGETHER'. 2016 monetary pledges total \$ 229,194.00, 89 pledges were received, 30 were increases, 39 remained the same, and 10 decreased. 10 were new pledges.
- At our January meeting, our team approved a proposed budget for the 2016 calendar year that was presented to session at its January, 2016, meeting. This budget was approved.

The Stewardship and Finance Ministry team sincerely thanks the members and friends of First United Presbyterian Church in Bellefontaine. Your steadfast support allows the Church to continue striving to achieve its mission of "REACHING OUT TO NURTURE GOD'S PEOPLE WITH THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST'S LOVE".

Jim Hilliker, Chair

2015-16 PROPOSED GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Income:

income.			2016
CONGREGATION	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUAL	BUDGET
Balance Carried Forward	12,882.21	12,882.21	9,594.79
Original Pledged Amount	222,324.00		229,194.00
4% discount 2016	8,893.00		9,168.00
Pledges after discount	213,431.00	220,611.07	220,026.00
Non-pledges	48,600.00	49,508.10	48,600.00
Loose Offering	4,000.00	5,283.72	4,500.00
Sunday School Offering	2,000.00	2,698.32	2,500.00
Misc. Offering	3,000.00	2,928.85	2,900.00
SUBTOTAL	283,913.21	293,912.27	288,120.79
Endowments			
Hilliker	3,850.00	3,850.00	3,850.00
Booth Fund	8,300.00	8,300.00	7,000.00
Heibeck Endowment	5,300.00	5,300.00	4,480.00
May & EE Patterson Endowment (Capital Expenses)	6,500.00	3,500.00	5,900.00
H. Patterson Endowment	1,850.00	1,850.00	1,555.00
Otte Endowment	500.00	500.00	421.00
Ramsey Endowment	100.00	100.00	90.00
Dunaway Endowment	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
SUBTOTAL	26,400.00	23,400.00	28,296.00
TOT	TAL 310,313.21	317,312.27	316,416.79

2015 ACTUAL - 2016 PROPOSED GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Expenditures:

Experiorures.			2016
PERSONNEL	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUAL	BUDGET
*Pastor's Salary	40,800.00	40,799.98	40,800.00
Housing Allowance	24,338.00	24,338.28	24,338.00
Social Security	4,983.07	4,983.07	4,983.00
Major Medical	15,959.00	15,958.80	15,959.00
Retirement/Disability	7,817.00	7,816.56	7,817.00
Supplemental Medical	2,400.00	4,200.00	2,400.00
Study/Professional Reimbursement	4,200.00	2,400.00	4,200.00
*Director of C.E. & Youth Salary & Retirement	38,095.20	38,095.20	39,429.00
Social Security	2,914.00	2,914.14	3,016.00
Educational Reimbursement	2,400.00	919.20	2,400.00
*Secretary's Salary & Retirement	33,402.30	33,402.20	34,572.00
Social Security	2,555.00	2,555.28	2,645.00
*Custodian's Salary	22,726.62	22,726.70	23,523.00
Social Security	1,738.59	1,738.88	1,800.00
Organist's Salary	6,953.34	6,953.30	7,198.00
Social Security	531.93	531.96	551.00
*Choir Director's Salary	5,712.00	5,712.00	5,912.00
Social Security	436.97	436.92	452.00
*Handbell Director's Salary	4,133.04	4,133.04	4,278.00
Social Security	316.18	316.68	327.00
* Nursery Attendant (\$31.00 per Sunday)	1,607.00	1,473.31	1,612.00
Social Security	123.00	101.38	123.00
SUBTOTAL	224,142.24	222,506.88	228,335.00

ADMINISTRATION	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUAL	2016 BUDGET
Office Expense and Supplies	2,350.00	2,696.08	2,700.00
Postage	1,700.00	1,726.49	1,700.00
Service Agreements	1,800.00	2,270.49	2,300.00
Travel reimbursement	4,000.00	3,733.88	4,000.00
Telephone	3,000.00	2,253.52	1,800.00
Worker's Compensation	500.00	631.03	650.00
SUBTOTAL	13,350.00	13,311.49	13,150.00
PROPERTY			
City Utilities	1,900.00	1,887.43	2,000.00
Dayton Power & Light/Direct Energy	6,000.00	7,058.95	7,100.00
Vectren (\$1,000 month)	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Supplies and General Maintenance	5,500.00	5,963.60	6,000.00
Insurance	6,900.00	7,276.00	7,300.00
Capital Improvement Fund	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
SUBTOTAL	35,800.00	37,685.98	37,900.00
SESSION COMMITTEES			
Christian Education	4,400.00	3,435.41	4,400.00
Church Growth/Member Care	750.00	423.70	750.00
Stewardship & Finance	500.00	711.43	700.00
Worship	4,000.00	4,080.03	4,000.00
Books and Publications	200.00	42.85	200.00
SUBTOTAL	9,850.00	8,693.42	10,050.00
MISSION BEYOND OURSELVES			
Per Capita (\$10.37 per member (341) for 2016)	3,539.76	3,539.76	3,536.17
G.A./Synod/Presbytery	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
Kirkmont Center	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Sharing Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,500.00
National & Global Mission	500.00	500.00	0.00
Board of Deacons	500.00	500.00	500.00
Lighthouse Shelter	600.00	600.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL	27,139.76	27,139.76	26,536.17

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

310,282.00 309,337.53 315,971.17

Surplus: \$445.62

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. O course, as our long-term, high-interest bonds mature, this surplus will decrease. As of 12/31/2015, the obligations of the Endowment Fund (principal and accumulated interest) were \$1,229,705.75. As of the same date, the market value of the Endowment Fund was approximately \$1,271,023.01, resulting in a market surplus of \$41,317.26.

During 2015, the Endowment Fund earned an average of 4.76% interest. This interest is comprised of 5.11% for funds under the investment management of the committee and 2.48% for gifts of specific assets.

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 2015.

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:

Eric Adelsberger
D. James Hilliker, Treasurer
Anne Brienza
Michael Brady
Vance Holloway

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REPORT OF ORGANIZATIONS AND BOARDS

REPORT OF BOARD OF DEACONS – Thomas Ark, Moderator

The body of the church has many parts, the Board of Deacons most often serves as the hands.

We had the honor of preparing and/or serving food for six funeral dinners. Each time you honor the life of another, you have an opportunity to revise your own life for the better. Working each month at the Dinner at the Prez gives us an opportunity to walk the walk of our faith founders.

Financially we support Our Daily Bread, Dinner at the Prez, Kirkmont Camperships, and the Sharing Tree Bibles, etc. We also make a few random donations to other church organizations or activities.

A large part of a Deacon's service involves the personal visits to members of our church family. We help church members who aren't able to attend services stay in touch with the larger community. A home visit, to a member who is not able to attend services, as often as not provides us with as much joy as it does them. Delivering the "We Care" posters and spending a few moments commiserating with the recipients, is both a duty and a pleasure. Person to person is so much better than FACEBOOK.

The Deacons strive to keep in contact with other church boards and organizations in order to facilitate both our work and theirs.

We try to keep the elevator going both up and down but strive to help our fellows go from down to up.

Thank you for trusting me to serve.

Thomas Ark

BOARD OF DEACONS FINANCIAL REPORT 2015 – Karen Baldwin, Treasurer

1/1/2015 BEGINNING BALANCE:

\$ 2,518.23

RECEIPTS:

2014 Advent	\$ 552.00
2014 2 Cents a Meal	117.45
2015 Advent	857.75
2015 2 Cents A Meal	1,706.00
Funeral Donations	300.00
Missions	500.00
Fundraiser	20.00

Total Receipts: \$4,053.23

DISBURSEMENTS:

Sharing Tree Bibles	\$ 124.22
Advent Expenses	171.26
Our Daily Bread	1,800.00
Dinner @ the Prez	600.00
Kirkmont Camperships	565.00
Funeral Expenses	324.60

Total Disbursements: \$3,585.08

12/31/2015 ENDING BALANCE:

\$ 2,986.38

Women's Association Annual Report – Year in Review for 2015

With the Year 2015 behind us this is the year as it was recorded:

January we started with a general meeting for all Ladies of the church with a brunch in the Kitchen and to discuss ideas for the year. We had a good turn out and great fellowship. We decided to schedule our board meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Members of the board are: Bridget Hawkins, Pam Ark, Vicky Petty Moderator, Melanie Williams Vice Moderator, Julie Stephens Treasure and Laura Flora Secretary.

February, we worked on the care packages for the college students and others that are away from the home church. Also, worked on the desert auction for March

March, Dessert Auction was very successful! This project was led by a wonderful group of ladies headed up by Bess Standley. Proceeds to go to the youth group trips.

April was planning our Irish tea for all the ladies of our church. Great ideas were offered.

May, the Tea was a wonderful success along with the good will offering that was collected for the PWA.

June, meeting on Missions. Decisions on which mission projects to support and how much to give. Also retreat in October was discussed.

July was an off month for the PWA Board due to weddings and such.

August, work on our Women's Retreat. The theme is "Body Mind and Spirit" with a focus on fellowship and reflection.

September, Retreat and our Election Day Luncheon were discussed. Mary Ann Patterson agreed to head up the luncheon.

October, Noddle making was done. Thanks to Katie Amidon who led this project. The noodles will be used for the Election Day lunch as well as for sale. The retreat was a success! Those who attended, had a great time of reflection on how to better care for all parts of our persons, "Body, Mind and Spirit". Great speakers. Dr. Freeman Chiropractor and Jess Green "Young Living Oils". Also Bridget Hawkins and Rachel Lang offered reflections on our Spirits.

November, was all about the Election Day luncheon and it was a great success! Thanks to all the hands that made it so! Truly a full church effort! Also discussed possible officers for 2016.

December, saw the election of officers. Our 2016 Officers are: Moderator is Melanie Williams, Vice Moderator Jennifer Fredrick, Secretary Karen Brady and Treasurer is Julie Stephens, board members are Vicky Shields, Holly Core and Eva Rinehart. We had our last meeting as a dinner at Hinckley's restaurant and discussed our mission giving.

We are looking forward to another year of building up the PWA with all the women in the church family!

Respectfully submitted, Vicky Shields.

Presbyterian Women's Association Treasurer's Report Julie Stephens, Treasurer

Balance December 31, 2014			\$3,085.06	
<u>Income</u>				
Election Day Luncheon	\$2,642.15			
Change	\$200.00			
Retreats	\$675.00			
Dessert Auction	\$2,538.00			
Least Coin	\$47.38			
Craft Bazaar	\$703.00			
Mother/Daughter Tea	\$168.47			
Transfer from Savings or Endowment	\$1,398.90			
PWA Misc. Income	\$16.00			
Thank Offering	\$433.00			
Total Income		\$8,821.90		
Expenses				
Kirkmont Center	\$1,000.00			
Bloodmobile	\$288.30			
Women of the Miami Valley Presbytery	\$265.83			
Least Coin Expense	\$47.38			
1st UPC Sharing Fund	\$1,000.00			
1st UPC Youth Mission	\$2,568.00			
Thank Offering Donations	\$433.00			
Christmas Dinner	\$186.59			
Kitchen Supplies/Improvements	\$205.55			
Paper Supplies 169.58	\$169.58			
New Baby Rose	\$102.50			
Election Day Lunch	\$939.35			
Mother/Daughter Tea Event	\$290.29			
Retreat Expenses	\$629.38			
Mailing Expenses	\$192.15			
Craft Bazaar Expenses	\$41.97			
Total Expenses		\$8,359.87		
Balance December 31, 2015			\$3,547.09	
December 11 Courts are Assessment			PWA Endowment Funds Principle	
Passbook Savings Account Balance December 31, 2014	\$650.96		Balance 12/31/15	\$53,000.07
Interest	\$0.13		Interest	. , -
Deposits	0.00		Earned &	4
Withdrawals	0.00		Used	\$1,398.90
Balance December 31, 2015	\$651.09			

The Annual Joint and Congregational Meeting First United Presbyterian Church January 25, 2015

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 January 25, 2015. 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 2014 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 2014. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Annual Report for 2014 as written. The Annual Report for 2014 was approved without opposition.

Moderator Fulton then asked if there were 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 is only a snapshot of the many things that we do and thanked everyone for their efforts and involvement in our church, and Church Secretary Julie McCarthy for preparation of the report. Janice Bowsher thanked all of the staff members, committees, and all who attend church for everything that is done. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Moderator Fulton closed the meeting and returned to the worship service with prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Ann Patterson, Clerk

Robert B. Fulton, Moderator

The Annual Congregational Meeting First United Presbyterian Church October 18, 2015

The annual congregational meeting of the First United Presbyterian Church of Bellefontaine, Ohio, was opened during worship, following the prayer of invocation on October 12, 2014. The Moderator declared a quorum present. Clerk of Session, Mary Ann Patterson served as secretary. The stated purpose of the meeting is to approve nominations for Elders, Deacons, and the Congregational Nominating Committee for 2016. Moderator Fulton asked that Nominating Committee Member, Elder Tara Wagner present the recommendations.

Elders nominated for Election are Mark Butler, Bridget Hawkins, Jeannie Lloyd, Pam McBrien, and Larry McCarthy for 3 year terms, Class of 2018. 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 are Sue Albano, Cathy Draper, Martha Lang, Nancy Wisse, and Barbara Stewart for 3 year terms, Class of 2018. 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 Representatives to the 2016 Nominating Committing are Jennifer Elliott, Jayne McAdams, Nancy Stokes and Rob Storm. 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 presented the recommendations for 3 year terms on the Endowment Board which are determined by Session. Those nominations are Anne Brienza and Jim Hilliker. The nominations were closed and approved without opposition.

Moderator Fulton then introduced Elder Jim Hilliker to report on behalf of the Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team. Jim introduced this year's Stewardship Theme "We Are the Church Together". Jim asked everyone to consider the blessings they receive from God and to commit themselves more in the upcoming stewardship campaign.

There being no further business, 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!