



ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2018



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PASTORAL LETTER

Dear Members and Friends of Good Shepherd ~

As 2018 draws to a close and 2019 looms in the near future, I think of the tremendous changes that have occurred in the mission and ministry of Good Shepherd during these past twelve months and the hopes for the next twelve months.

Consistory along with Good Shepherd Youth Fellowship took the initiative and vested time, energy, and money into our future ministry by participating in the revitalization program sponsored by Penn Northeast Conference and led by Rev. Michael Piazza. Two of the four sessions took place in the autumn while the next two will be held this spring. A number of fantastic ideas have developed because of these meetings with some being implemented already through worship and the beginnings of restructuring the ministry in order to assure our continuing mission to children and the larger community while creating a spiritual worship that welcomes all God's children. One component to these changes is the projector and retractable screen which we dedicated in September and has become a valuable asset to our worship time on Sunday mornings.

On a personal note, I must thank all of you who were so helpful and understanding during my heart valve procedure on July 31st and the recuperation that followed with cardiac rehab. The surgeons are happy with the results and though I'm still moving a little slower than usual, I am in much better space than prior to the surgery. And a tremendous thank you to the members and friends of the congregation in recognizing my 20 years of serving God in the midst of Good Shepherd ~ and what wonder-filled years they have been. Bless you all as you have blessed me.

As we look to the future, some preliminary talks have begun in just recent weeks with a team of individuals visioning what Good Shepherd might look like if we would suddenly have thirty or forty new members merging with us in prospective hopes of becoming renewed and energized. Many things need to be discussed, organized, and planned, but the hope is that we are as willing as we were some thirty years after taking our original leap of faith to become who we are. May we at Good Shepherd take another great leap of faith to do great things in Christ's name as we grow into what God wants us to be in the 21st century.

It does the heart good to know that so many of you continue your support through prayers, volunteer hours, and financial contributions. We continue to do our best on behalf of Christ to meet the needs and challenges of serving God's people in the present age. Thank you to one and all for making such ministry happen. May 2019 be filled with as much enthusiasm and growth as we have experienced over the last three decades.

I remain Christ's humble servant, Pastor James

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Baptisms

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Aiden Rodney **Conway**, b. May 20, 2017 / baptized February 25, 2018
Rowan Keinneth **Rinker**, b. May 25, 2017 / baptized March 11, 2018
Bryson Allen **Rice**, b. November 25, 2017 / baptized May 27, 2018
Beau Louis **Pitruzzello**, b. April 30, 2015/ baptized June 3, 2018
Paul Anthony **Pitruzzello**, b. November 20, 2017 / baptized June 3, 2018
David Ray **Kuremsky**, b. August 16, 1983 / baptized June 10, 2018
Willow Melissa **Fister**, b. June 13, 2018 / baptized September 9, 2018
Slade Benjamin **Schaffer**, b. November 6, 2017 / baptized December 23, 2018

Confirmands

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Tyla Faith **Block**, b. July 17, 2006; baptized November 19, 2006; confirmed May 20, 2018
Aricka Marguerite **Creyer**, b. December 23, 2005; baptized March 12, 2006; confirmed May 20, 2018
Toby Nathan **Frantz**, b. September 12, 2004; baptized October 2, 2006; confirmed May 20, 2018
Kathryn Irene **Griffith**, b. June 28, 2006; baptized September 10, 2006; confirmed May 20, 2018
Evan Parker Lim **Horninger**, b. December 21, 2002; baptized at Christ, Walnutport; confirmed May 20, 2018
Olivia Anne Inkyung **Horninger**, b. March 9, 2004; baptized at Christ, Walnutport; confirmed May 20, 2018
Robert Joseph **Schramel, Jr.**, b. September 5, 2003; baptized November 23, 2003; confirmed May 20, 2018
Cameron John **Shields**, b. August 30, 2005; baptized November 20, 2005; confirmed May 20, 2018
Gabriella Lee **Smoyer**, b. May 27, 2005; baptized July 17, 2005; confirmed May 20, 2018
Abigail Elizabeth **Williams**, b. August 6, 2004; baptized December 12, 2004; confirmed May 20, 2018

Weddings

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David Benjamin **Silfies** and Shannon Kingsbury (Repasch) **Bierman**, m. March 17, 2018
Devin Nelson **Lopez** and Angela Marie **Long**, m. April 21, 2018
Jeremy John **Frable** and Melanie Louise **Fritz**, m. May 26, 2018
Nicholas James **LeBlanc** and Brianne Jane **Pfefferkorn**, m. June 23, 2018
Collin Michael **Doyle** and Emily Dorothea **George**, m. June 30, 2018
Timothy Hayes **Grady** and Marie Ann (Buskirk) **Rex**, m. July 28, 2018
Drew Allen **Rice** and Kara Lynn **Mathesz**, m. September 29, 2018
Sean David **Harding** and Chelsea Joan **Tinker**, m. November 17, 2018

Funerals

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Clara May (Ettinger) **Koch**, d. March 11, 2018; aged 77 y, 10 m, 25 d / service March 16, 2018
Donna Lentz (Hughes) **Blackburn**, d. April 11, 2018; aged 95 y, 2 m, 0 d / service April 21, 2018
Barbara Joy (Bair) **Byers**, d. May 3, 2018; aged 89 y, 0 m, 19 d / service May 9, 2018
Stephen Grant **Dieter**, d. May 8, 2018; aged 34 y, 6 m, 5 d / service May 12, 2018
Sandra Ann (Moyer) **Miller**, d. June 4, 2018; aged 71 y, 0 m, 29 d / service June 9, 2018
Michael "Mikey" Roy **Walters**, d. August 11, 2018; aged 56 y, 3 m, 3 d / service August 16, 2018
Mabel Arlene (Bonser) **Knittle**, d. September 25, 2018; aged 92 y, 4 m, 12 d / service October 1, 2018
Dorothy Verna (Stephen) **Mack**, d. December 6, 2018; aged 70 y, 11 m, 4 d / service December 12, 2018
Ronald Rudy **Roth**, d. December 11, 2018; aged 86 y, 2 m, 7 d / service December 17, 2018
Richard Harvey **Reeser**, d. December 14, 2018; aged 79 y, 9 m, 12 d / service December 18, 2018

Holy Communion

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Epiphany - January 7, 2018, Ash Wednesday - February 14, 2018; Maundy Thursday - March 29, 2018; Easter - April 1, 2018 (2x); Pentecost - May 20, 2018; God and Country Communion - July 1, 2018; World Wide - October 7, 2018; Reformation - October 28, 2018; Advent - December 2, 2018; Christmas Eve - December 24, 2018 (3x).

Miles Traveled 5,847.1 (not including December's mileage)

Pastoral Statistics 1998-2018:

Baptisms	221	Weddings	137	
Confirmands	121	Funerals	217	James D. Robison, Pastor

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WORSHIP TEAM REPORT

The Worship Team met seven times in the fall: September 30, October 2, 8, 14, 30, November 11, December 13, 2018. Those attending the meetings included: Marie Bachman, Susie Blose, Julian Cancel, Alice Christman, Linda Coffin, Deb Craig, Barbara DeLong, Eric Hantz, Michele Hunsicker, Bob Koons, Lisa Kuntz, Mary Lacy, Kerry Loch, Judy Neff, Pam Puskas, Cameron Shields, Debbie Silfies, Marilyn Smith, Pastor James, and Coach Barbara Hanks. In addition to these team members, Francie Appleman, and Jeannie Englehart (two friends of Pastor James) also attended our meetings to discuss ideas for the Altar and Pulpit Paraments.

Items discussed over the course of our meetings:

- what is needed to link worship with technology
- how to adapt the use of the projector and screen with the worship experience
- how to find individuals interested in designing and coordinating worship services
- how to introduce contemporary Christian music such as Michael Smith once a month
- what needs to be done to create a choir and have better communication
- how to get feedback on use of Audio/Visual technology in worship
- why commit to one another to speak only in positives when we are gathered or scattered
- how to build up the body of Christ
- why stress speaking the truth in love
- why celebrate the smallest accomplishments

Six areas covered by the Worship Team include: AV Tech, Worship/Liturgy, Altar Guild, Music, Worship Leaders, and Sanctuary Décor.

Those working with **Worship/Liturgy** will create the parts of the service such as the Call to Worship, the Confession and Assurance of Pardon, the Invitation to Offering ~ all based on the Lectionary and Church Season. Pastor James has been the one most responsible for this and will work closely with those who have a particular interest in this part of worship.

The **AV Tech** people develop a power point program for the Sanctuary screen that correlates to the liturgy for each Sunday and through volunteers run the program during the service. Debbie Silfies and Deb Craig have put the most time into this piece and are willing to create a training session for those who might be drawn to this part of worship. Also, a special thank you for the great assistance from Marie Bachman, Tammy White, and Eric Hantz who helped with setting up the system presently used. The last three months of 2018 were specifically designated as a learning curve for the Worship Team to work on new innovations to our worship.

Those interested in **Music** will assist in coordinating with the Worship/Liturgy for a choir or special music during Worship. Concern for a choir director has been lifted up and those interested have been asked to create a plan to hire a choir director and develop a music program for our children and youth and search for others with musical talents to share them during worship time. The one choir that continues to be active is the Good Shepherd Bell Choir under Michele Hunsicker's musical leadership.

Altar Guild will continue to change the paraments and banners to the appropriate color of the season and assure candles have been replenished and the brassware kept polished. Those who have participated in this portion of worship include: Carol Oswald, Linda Coffin, Julie Solt, Mary Lacy, and Laura George.

Sanctuary Décor will orchestrate the decorations around the windows in relation to the season. Members of the former Worship & Music Committee have done this particular during Lent, Autumn and Christmas

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seasons. A special thank you to Judy Neff, Marilyn Smith, Kelsey Kuntz, Alice Christman, and Lisa Kuntz for doing a great job during 2018.

Worship Leaders are those who sign up to be Greeters, Acolytes, and Ushers along with Deacons, Youth Deacons and Elders. Greeters are responsible for welcoming those attending worship and encourage guests to sign the guest book with contact information ~ especially email address. Acolytes will carry out the duties as instructor by the Altar Guild and the Pastor. Ushers will carry out the duties of the Deacons/Youth Deacons as found in their job description.

All Worship Team members are encouraged to wear a name badge during worship to assist guests in enjoying their worship experience. In addition, all Worship Team members are asked to fill out a evaluation form prior to the end of the year for the Annual Report.

During the last three months, some of the Worship themes that has been explored include:

- **October 7, 2018 ~ Blessing of the pets** ~ nice to have photos on the screen of pets from the congregation for next year
- **October 28, 2018 ~ Reformation Sunday** ~ colors are black, red and yellow with a Germanic theme – we are hoping to be inclusive with an international flare with a luncheon to follow.
- **November 4, 2018 ~ Totenfest** ~ this has long been traditionally just members of our congregation (this year there were two ~ Delroy Neff and Mabel Knittle) – set up votive stand for all to participate, request people who have loved ones who died since last Totenfest to email a photo of the person with their birth year and death year - Altar Guild normally purchases a white rose for each member of Good Shepherd who died to place on the Altar and Debbie Silfies to ring a bell while the family lights a candle
- **November 11, 2018 ~ Stewardship Sunday** ~ to include election of Consistory and budget
- **November 18, 2018 ~ Thanksgiving Sunday** – Sunday prior to Thanksgiving ~ we also have a service on Tuesday evening prior to Thanksgiving for the larger community
- **December 2, 2018 ~ Hanging of the Greens** – had been planned by the Worship & Music Committee
- **December 24, 2018 ~ Christmas Eve** – this year we will have three services at 3pm, 5pm, and 11pm –need help with lighting candelabras, the luminaries outside as well as collecting the luminaries, special music
- Other ideas for 2019 might include: Veterans Day on November 11; Disability Sunday in November; the Jesse Tree during the season of Advent; the Service of the Liturgical Year

For those working in Worship themes, services need to be completed by the Wednesday prior to the service so that bulletin can be prepared, power point can be created, and any rehearsal that might need to happen with readings or a/v material. The liturgy is to enhance worship which is key to why we are a community of faith ~ to spread the love that we learn from Jesus' teachings within our community.

As this new “team” unfolds there will be need for accountability and reporting as well as soliciting others to participate ~ presently have 24 people on email list who have shown signs of interest either in Altar Guild, Worship & Music, or the new Tech Group aspect of the worship service. Pastor James stated that if it deals with the hour during worship on a Sunday morning it should fall under the Worship Team ~ which would include Greeters, Lay Readers, Ushers, etc.

Another major concern is keeping the momentum going forward. Meetings will normally be scheduled for Sundays following worship for a half-hour to an hour; and to have a full Worship Team meeting

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approximately twice a year. It has also been suggested to the Worship Team by the Resource Team for us to keep track of Volunteer Hours. Two major concerns include the Midweek Lenten Services and the Hanging of the Greens Service. The Worship Team will also need to decide what to do with the Mitten Tree (possibly a new team for Missions).

One of the exciting opportunities for the Worship Team deals with the paraments that adorn the Altar and Pulpit and some new ideas included using the banners more often and coordinate new paraments in such a way that colored cloths could be used to enhance the flower stand at the foot of the cross, the Creche Table, and possible chevrons to adorn the center of the Altar to match the appointed paraments for the season. The discussion continued about the current paraments showing their age and the possibility of replacing them. It was suggested that perhaps these paraments could be repurposed into newer paraments and thus incorporating the original paraments with something new and dedicate and rededicate these items when completed. Francie and Jeannie are willing to assist members of Good Shepherd in creating and producing the items in the Sanctuary, but it must be a group effort and volunteers with sewing abilities will be needed. The Linen Clothes (74 1/8 by 28 1/8, to include a two (2) inch hem all the way around) for the Altar are also becoming worn and stained with wax and should be replaced. Debbie and Barry have requested memorial money in memory of Barry's mother (Arlene Hennings) be used to replace these linens. Francie has agreed to make two new Linen Clothes out of Essex Linen.

With the talk of banners and sewing, it was suggested that the Worship Team also address the echo created in the Fellowship Hall by the bare walls. Sound boards were suggested but is very pricey. A suggesting was made to use canvas frames with fabric such as corduroy or upholstery to help absorb the noise and an example will be presented in early 2019 for the Consistory to make a decision regarding the project.

Submitted by Pastor James

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CONSISTORY REPORT FOR 2018

The Consistory Officer for 2018 were as follows:

President – Kerry Loch

Vice President – Dennis Silfies

Secretary – Robin Bellesfield

Financial Secretary – Sally Loch

Treasurer – Cheryl Tully

2018 started with fine tuning our financial information with our new treasurer. In February the consistory voted to change the rental rates for Fellowship Hall and the grove. We also voted to give our Youth Deacons the right to vote at a congregational meeting. Our payroll was transitioned to ADP to process. This transition brought automatic paycheck deposits and paid all the taxes and insurance correctly and on time. We started serving gluten free bread for communion so that everyone could participate in communion without concern in May. Storage around the church is minimal and we started exploring converting some of the grove space into storage which would help clean-up our grove area to improve grove rentals. We sold our outdoor grill from the grill house and converted the grill house into storage as well. September was the start of the conference Vitality Workshops. These workshops are to help revitalize our church and maintain a positive momentum. The first of the 4 workshops, Transformational Worship and the 2nd, Structure and Stewardship Workshop, were held September and October, 2018. The annual Congregational meeting was transitioned back to November of each year.

Lastly we were notified that we are being considered for a merger by 1st UCC of Palmerton. They have several churches to consider for their merger, but we are in the running and we will take this possibility into consideration with the congregation the 1st quarter of 2019. The year ended on a positive note!

Submitted by Robin Bellesfield

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VITALITY TEAM

Following the 2018 Spring Annual Meeting of Penn Northeast Conference with special speaker Michael Piazza, PNEC decided to offer four one day training sessions for churches that desired to create a positive momentum for leadership into the 21st Century. Good Shepherd UCC Youth Fellowship gave \$250 toward the \$1,000 cost for the four sessions and the Consistory applied for a GEM Grant from PNEC in order to participate in the Vitality Days with Michael Piazza.

The program also includes a coach to assist the local congregations in visioning and following through with plans established during the sessions. The coach for Good Shepherd UCC is Barbara Hanks, former moderator of PNEC and member of Grace UCC, Northampton.

Those attending the first session on September 22, 2018 included: Michele Hunsicker, Pam Puskas, Barbara DeLong, Deb Craig and Pastor James. The session dealt with transformational worship. The group held follow-up meetings on October 2, 30, and December 13, 2018 to set goals and continue follow through with potential outcome on worship ideas.

One goal was to begin introducing praise music into the service but need to overcome one major road block and that is getting people to move outside the box of “This is the only way we can do this!” Also, need to come up with a team to implement the new retractable screen and projector in the sanctuary. Would also like to encourage someone to become choir director and re-introduce special music during worship.

Our purpose is to enhance worship which we feel is key to why we are a church and to spread the love that we learn from Jesus’ teachings throughout our community. Movement towards a “Worship Team” approach which would bring together the elements of worship involved in all aspects of what happens during that one hour on a Sunday morning inclusive of greeters, lay readers, Altar Guild, Worship & Music Committee, ushers, acolytes, Faith & Mission, Spiritual Council (i.e. Holy Communion and Baptism), etc. is being thought out in ways that enhance the worship experience.

Those attending the second session on November 10, 2018 included: Tammy Schaeffer, Madeline Balliet, Deb Craig, Eric Hantz, Bryan Horninger, Evan Horninger, Barry Silfies, and Pastor James. The focus was on changing trends within the church regarding money and the style of stewardship in relationship to the younger generation. The basic premise is to increase you giving you need to grow the church. Continue to upgrade technology to stay with current times ~ data base, etc. always changing. Diminished attendance equals diminished giving and so get recurring gifts via e-giving is vital. Difficult for pastor to discuss money and giving because it seems self-serving. Creating a culture of generosity seems to go against the trend of society which thrives on materialism and the only antidote to materialism is generosity. Always remind ourselves, we are not here to be served but to serve others.

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VITALITY TEAM (continued)

How do we celebrate and promote what we do at Good Shepherd in order to become the Charity of Choice ~ there is a need to keep track of volunteer hours and let people know how much of an impact we are having on the community at large. Biggest factor for large donors is: Belief in the mission of the institution, High regard for staff leadership, and Fiscal responsibility of the institution.

This second group met November 27, 2018 to discuss ways to implement some new ideas of thinking about stewardship year-round and not focus on it at budget time. The group will also plan to create a “spending” motif ~ how best to spend your money on charitable causes and the support that comes through the church to do that. Because of the changing ways people handle their money with less and less carrying cash or check books and more and more relying on smart phones and credit cards, the team is looking at ways of how Good Shepherd might offer opportunities for people to give via credit cards, e-giving, and automatic draft. Once the ground work has been established, the team will look at ways to connect with those who have moved to this “new” way of giving which is comparatively different from the traditional envelope system. The team is also going to look at ways of letting those that are no longer receiving church envelopes so they can participate in the special offerings since they wouldn’t know about them since they wouldn’t receive reminders as those who currently receive the quarterly envelopes do.

Submitted by Pastor James

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SPIRITUAL COUNCIL

Total Membership on the Rolls of Good Shepherd as of January 1, 2018 = 349

- 10 joined by confirmation [May 20, 2018 - Tyla Faith Block, Aricka Marguerite Creyer, Toby Nathan Frantz, Kathryn Irene Griffith, Evan Parker Lim Horninger, Olivia Anne Inkyung Horninger, Robert Joseph Schramel Jr., Cameron John Shields, Gabriella Lee Smoyer, Abigail Elizabeth Williams]
- 2 joined by transfer [June 10, 2018 - Jon & Debbie Rinker]
- 3 joined by reaffirmation [June 10, 2018 - Jonell Rinker, David Kuremsky, David McGinnis]
- 3 joined by reinstatement [March 12, 2018 - Victoria Regan; April 9, 2018 - Keri Dimmig, Emily McGinnis]
- 0 removed by request
- 0 removed by order of the Spiritual Council
- 0 removed by transfer
- 4 deaths [Delroy Neff, died April 22, 2018; Mabel Knittle, died September 25, 2018; Ronald Roth, died December 11, 2018; Richard Reeser, died December 14, 2018]

Total Membership on the Rolls of Good Shepherd as of December 31, 2018 = 363

As we approach 2019, we thank Dennis for serving his term faithfully as it ends and welcome as Elders, Tammy White and Susie Blose. One of the important aspects of being an Elder is praying for all the members of Good Shepherd, sharing a compassionate heart with the homebound and those in the hospital through visits when able, and preparing and assisting with Holy Communion as well as Holy Baptisms.

As we pray for the spiritual life of Good Shepherd we ask for your prayers as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor James Robison

Elders: Pam Puskas, Dennis Silfies and Kerry Loch

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

Personnel Committee Members

Marie E. Bachman

Monica Griffith

Richard Smith

Susie Blose

The goals accomplished by the Personnel Committee for the 2018 calendar year were as follows:

1. Provided support as needed to Cheryl Tully in her role as the new church Treasurer.
2. Added an additional Personnel Committee member, Susan Blose.
3. Review December vacation request of Pastor James.
4. Provided salary recommendations to Consistory for all salaried employees for the upcoming 2019 calendar year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marie E. Bachman

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CHURCH SECRETARY REPORT

During 2018 the Secretary did the following duties:

- Updated the *Member Directory* during the year whenever there were address changes or changes in membership
- Supervised office volunteers
- Printed 8 Certificates of Baptism
- Printed 8 Certificates of Marriage
- Printed 6 Certificates of Membership
- Made up 8 Baptism certificates with family pictures
- Prepared fifty-three Sunday bulletins and ten bulletins for special services, as well as Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve services and the Good Friday Prayer Vigil bulletin.
- Printed two large-print bulletins for each service
- Prepared 2 Funeral Bulletins
- Printed new offering envelopes for pews as well as Faith & Mission envelopes
- Ordered and picked up paper and supplies
- Ordered and received Christian Education curriculum
- Put together, with assistance from the treasurer, Pastor, Sunday school superintendent and Youth Fellowship advisors the Penn Northeast and UCC Annual Report information
- Updated addresses each quarter to Church Budget Envelopes to mail quarterly offering envelopes
- Filing
- Created the 2019 Calendar as well as using it to complete the offering envelope order
- Created the attendance sheet for the year 2019
- Created the Deacon's offering grid for 2019
- Printed Worship Leaders' grid
- Printed copies of the Calendar, Worship Leaders and Committee List for the bulletin board, staff and Consistory members
- Offered and gave assistance to treasurer Cheryl Tully when asked as well as financial secretary Sally Loch
- Ordered and picked up Communion cards from the printer
- Put notification on WFMZ for worship cancellations due to weather
- Proofed and set up newsletter for printing
- Meetings with the Pastor and Consistory President when warranted
- Additional miscellaneous duties as requested by church members, the Pastor and Consistory President
- Took phone calls and dealt with answering machine messages
- Checked and dealt with emails
- Assisted in setting up funerals and weddings held at the church
- Did some trouble shooting of office equipment when needed
- Worked on creating power point presentations for worship services beginning September 2018.

Thank you very much to Deb Craig and Eric Hantz for helping with this new ministry.

Thank you so much to Susan Zellner for helping with filing and printing of the bulletins and newsletters as well as anything else needed in the church office.

Submitted by Debbie Silfies, Church Secretary

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COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR REPORT

The Communications Coordinator shares church events and programs of Good Shepherd with the surrounding community to increase community awareness and encourage member and non-member participation in those events and programs. The coordinator utilizes various media outlets including print, radio, television, the Internet, as well as other means deemed appropriate.

Throughout 2018, Good Shepherd's webmaster, Stephen Haas, has been busy updating the church's website. Our website has continued posting the monthly newsletters, which can be viewed online as PDFs or printed. To reach out to the congregation and community, ChurchPost is integrated into our website, allowing anyone with an e-mail address to directly sign-up and receive ChurchPost notifications.

The website is always a work-in-progress. If you haven't visited lately, please visit our website at www.GoodShepherdSlatedale.org and check back often, as we are always updating the information. We also have our Facebook site that is very active with photos and notices of events and reflections that can be visited at www.FaceBook.com/GSUCC.Slatington.

We have 276 Email Contacts through our Church Post system.

30 notices were sent using Church Post.

42 event posters were created, that then on average 20 copies made to be distributed in the community.

19 posters that were used for display within the Church.

12 Monthly Newsletters, which averaged 75 copies each apart from April's and December's which were 150 to accommodate the Easter and Christmas worshipers.

At the end of 2018 our Facebook page had 231 likes up 34 from the previous year and 205 followers.

Submitted by: Deb Craig

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PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is a list of property maintenance and upgrades for 2018.

- Lights were replaced in Fellowship Hall and the main part of the church.
- Sand mound was frozen and the end caps had to be opened to thaw the line.
- Replaced the pump to the sand mound.
- One week later replaced the new pump because the propeller in pump was broken.
- Shoveled snow.
- Replaced parts in toilet in Fellowship Hall.
- Projector and screen were installed and wired in the sanctuary.
- Turned the grill house in the grove into a storage building.

Submitted by Barry Silfies

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

We held 6 meetings during the course of the year. Half of these meetings were held on Wednesday evenings and the others following church on a Sunday morning.

The average attendance for Sunday school for the year was 9 children, 13 adults and 5 teachers. The offering for the year was \$1,135.47.

The Confirmation Class sold Valentine's Day candy in February for their class gift and the Youth Fellowship collected warm socks, hand and toe warmers, small bottles of soap and shampoos as well as toothpaste and toothbrushes for the 6th Street Shelter/Warming Station.

In March we held our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. We had a little over 200 in attendance, gave away 5 prizes in each of 6 age groups. There were also door prizes and jelly bean guessing contests.

May the 20th the confirmands were confirmed.

June, July and August, Sunday school was held at the normal time and the classes were all combined with the teachers scheduled to take turns. The Adult Class also revamped their class for the summer months. During the summer months, the Sunday School classes had tomatoes planted and the tomatoes that the plants produced were given to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

July was also Vacation Bible School, which was held July 15 to July 19 in the evening.

September we held Rally/Registration Day on the 9th. A new confirmation class also started with 4 students, 3 from Good Shepherd and 1 from Big Creek.

October was Blessing of the Animals, the Youth Fellowship participated in Feed My Starving Children along with other members of the congregation. There was also Trunk or Treat held with 22 adults and 12 children participating. The Confirmation Class and a few other members of the congregation decorated pumpkins. There was \$116.10 raised by all of the pumpkin entries.

For the Advent season, the Sunday school adopted 8 children for the Northern Lehigh Pastoral Association Christmas Gift program. And there was Christmas caroling on the 2nd of December. We also had a Christmas Program, The Amazing Magi in December which we opened up to the community, not only our congregation.

Submitted by Pam Puskas

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL REPORT 2018

Class	Name	7/15/2018	7/16/2018	7/17/2018	7/18/2018	7/19/2018
Volunteer	Katie Koneschusky	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Volunteer	Tammy White	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Volunteer	Philip White	✓	✓	✓		✓
Volunteer	Deb Craig	✓	✓	✓		✓
Volunteer	Amanda Dieter	✓	✓			
Volunteer	Dorothy Arnold	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Volunteer	Linda Bowers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Volunteer	Monica Griffith	✓	✓	✓		✓
Volunteer	Katie Griffith	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Volunteer	Karen Kuntzman	✓	✓			
Student	Jackson Koneschusky	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Matthew Bowers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Fiona Dieter	✓	✓	✓		✓
Student	Naomi Neff	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Lily Parks	✓	✓	✓		✓
Student	Ella White	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Gavin Parks	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Noah Griffith	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Adam Griffith	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Breonna Richardson	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Student	Jazmin Richardson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Mackenzi Palmer		✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Isabella Palmer		✓	✓	✓	✓
Volunteer	Brandi Palmer		✓	✓	✓	✓
Student	Skylie White					✓
Volunteer	Sandy White					✓
	TOTAL	21	24	23	17	24
	OFFERING	22.60	13.00	13.00	10.00	13.50
	DATE	7/15/2018	7/16/2018	7/17/2018	7/18/2018	7/19/2018
	VOLUNTEERS	10	11	9	6	10
	ATTENDEES	11	13	13	11	14
	TOTAL ATTENDANCE 7/20/18		36	OFFERING	63.50	

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL REPORT 2018 (continued)

Date	Description	Debit (+)	Credit (-)	Balance
4/6/2018	Christianbook.com M.O.T.L. VBS Kit		98.99	
5/4/2018	M.O.T.L. VBS Ad Banner		32.98	
5/4/2018	S'more Craft		16.97	148.94
7/15/2018	Donation - Jesse & Tammy White			
	Donation; Snacks – Jesse and Tammy White			
	Donation; Snacks – Dorothy Arnold			
	Donation; Snacks – Deb Craig			
	Donation; Snacks – Linda Bowers			
	Donation; Craft Bins – Monica Griffith		---	

7/15/2018	Offering	22.60		
7/16/2018	Offering	13.00		
7/17/2018	Offering	13.00		
7/18/2018	Offering	10.00		
7/19/2018	Offering	13.50		
7/20/2018	Offering-Closing Program			72.10

Submitted by Tammy White

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YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The following were officers during 2018:

President – Julian Cancel	Secretary – Aricka Creyer
Vice President – Noah Griffith	Treasurer – Toby Frantz

Those youth who participated in youth activities included:

Tyla Block	Toby Frantz	Katy Griffith	Cameron Shields
Kyan Block	Adam Griffith	Noah Griffith	Calista Smoyer
Julian Cancel	Ben Griffith	Evan Horninger	Gabby Smoyer
Aricka Creyer			

A thank you to the advisors of the Youth Fellowship: Rae Anne Creyer, Eric Hantz, Mary Lacy, Monica Griffith, Pastor James

On February 4, 2018, the Youth Fellowship collected 157 cans of soup, 5 pounds of miscellaneous food, 30 boxes of crackers for a total of 190 pounds of food for the Northern Lehigh Food Bank and also \$129.57 for Allentown Soup Kitchen.

Sponsored “Socks of Love” from February 4-18, 2018 to benefit the homeless. They collected 102 pairs of socks and many, many individual toiletries to share with those in need. The items collected were distributed among Sixth Street Shelter, Allentown Rescue Mission, Everlasting Life Ministries’ Warming Station, and V.A.L.O.R.

Held family fun day on July 1, 2018 following worship service. The event included adult and kid games, a video, hotdogs and hamburgers, participants brought covered dish.

Youth Fellowship enjoyed the Indoor Trampoline Park at Sky Zone, Bethlehem on August 12, 2018.

On October 7, 2018, the Youth Fellowship orchestrated a mission event with Feed My Starving Children which was hosted by Neffs Union UCC Church with 31 youth and adults from Good Shepherd participating.

November 11, 2018, Youth Fellowship gathered to practice for Youthful Worship Service and to decorate cards for the homebound members of the congregation to put in their Christmas Baskets.

On December 2, 2018, the Youth Fellowship led Christmas Caroling to the homebound of the congregation and delivered their Christmas Baskets.

Began the year with a balance of \$500; Ended the year with a balance of \$641.30. One of the major contributions the Youth Fellowship made during the year was \$250 in order for members of Good Shepherd UCC to participate in Vitality Days sponsored through the Penn Northeast Conference.

The following were elected as new officers for 2019:

President – Cameron Shields	Secretary – Katy Griffith
Vice President – Noah Griffith	Treasurer – Gabby Smoyer

Gleaned from the Youth Fellowship Minutes and Mountain Reflections.

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2018 CONFIRMATION CLASS

This was a transition year for the confirmation process at Good Shepherd. The Class of 2018 was confirmed on May 20, 2018 with the following received into membership and their mentors:

Tyla Faith Block – Rae Anne Creyer	Olivia Anne Inkyung Horninger – Amber Williams
Aricka Marguerite Creyer – Evelyn Haas	Robert Joseph Schramel, Jr. – Dwayne Kern
Toby Nathan Frantz – Eric Hantz	Cameron John Shields – Jonathan Griffith
Kathryn Irene Griffith – Deb Craig	Gabriella Lee Smoyer – Ann Johnson
Evan Parker Lim Horninger – Greg Williams	Abigail Elizabeth Williams – Pam Puskas

The Class of 2020 began their confirmation process on September 16, 2018 with the following participating along with their mentors:

Landon Brady Moll – David McGinnis	Dylan Anthony Picone – Tanner Seltzer
Andrew James Trelease – Todd Solt	Kalei Ann Fister – Janice Farber

A special thank you to those volunteers who have or are currently serving as mentors. This is a unique opportunity for confirmands and mentors to create lasting relationships and share faith experiences.

The Class of 2018 raised a total of \$1,779.55 over their two years as a class and voted to purchase a AED Device as their class gift to Good Shepherd. Michelle Schramel made the arrangements for the purchase of the device and to have it installed and plans for instructing individuals on how to use it will be made early in 2019 along with a dedication of the device which is located at the bottom of the ramp into Fellowship Hall. The remaining monies from the 2018 Confirmation Class Fund will be transferred into Good Shepherd's General Fund for normal expenses including any additional costs for installing the device.

The Class of 2020 had three events since beginning in September and have raised the following:

2018 Fathers' Day Tributes	131.00
2018 Grandparents' Day Tributes	66.00
2018 Pumpkin Decorating Contest	116.50
2018 Gingerbread Decorating Contest	0
TOTAL	\$ 313.50

A unique aspect of the new class is the addition of a confirmand from St. Paul's UCC, Big Creek in Lehighton and his mentor. Pastor James serves as the stated supply for this congregation and through the hospitality of Good Shepherd, Dylan has become part of the Good Shepherd Confirmation Process and will be confirmed May 31, 2020 at St. Paul's. Because of this, the monies collected will be divided at the end of their confirmation process with ¼ being earmarked for a gift from the confirmation class to St. Paul's Big Creek and ¾ being earmarked for a gift from the confirmation class to Good Shepherd.

Submitted by Pastor James, teacher

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ALTAR GUILD REPORT

The Altar Guild Committee members for 2018 were Carol Oswald (committee chairperson), Linda Coffin, Mandi Trelease, Julie Solt, Mary Lacy, and Laura George.

Altar Guild duties include maintaining the candles, Altar cloths, cross cloths, flower and bulletin chart, assisting acolytes, ordering Altar flower arrangements, palms, baptism roses, Easter flowers, geraniums and Christmas Poinsettias. The committee would like to thank all of those who ordered Easter flowers, geraniums, and Christmas Poinsettias and thank you to all who sponsored Altar flowers and bulletins. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. The Altar Guild is also responsible for setting up the Harvest Home display in September, and all food collected goes to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

The price of Altar flowers was \$25 in 2018. The bulletins were \$10. A dish garden arrangement was used for midweek Lenten services as in the past. Altar flowers were ordered for 35 Sundays this year, plus 17 sponsors for bulletins. Altar flowers are supplied by Meadow's Creations by Brenda Bruchok in 2018.

Committee members for 2019 will be Laura George, Mary Lacy, Linda Coffin, Julie Solt, Mandi Trelease and Carol Oswald.

Submitted by

Carol Oswald

Chairperson

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE REPORT

Lent – This year we had women of our church speak about their journey through faith. These Lenten services were held in our fellowship hall with soup, salad and bread served to all who attended each week.

Fall/Thanksgiving – The committee decorated the sanctuary for the autumn season.

Mitten Tree – The mitten tree was placed in the narthex for the collection of hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, etc. We collected 13 women’s scarves, 11 women’s hat & scarf sets, 13 women’s hats, 5, scarves, hats, gloves sets, 35 women’s gloves, 4 women’s mittens, 2, men’s scarf and hat sets, 3 men’s scarves, 11 men’s gloves, 69 men’s hats, 5 kid’s socks, 3 kid’s hats, 1 kid mittens, 1 fingerless gloves, 2 baby mittens, 25 assorted gloves, and 14 two-pack gloves.

Hanging of the Greens – On Dec 2nd we celebrated the beginning of the Advent season during a 10:00 am service. Our Christmas tree was donated by the Kevin Minnich family. Our theme was “Teach the Children” during which Saint Nicholas was telling us that our children should be taught the real meaning of Christmas. The youth of the church assisted in the program as well as speakers, Bob Koons, Tammy White and Marie Bachman. We also had special music by Logan Bachman performing “Mary Did You Know”. Small filled children’s gift boxes were carried forward by our children which were then donated to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

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HAND BELL CHOIR REPORT

Good Shepherd's Hand Bell Choir had a wonderful year. The Bell Choir started rehearsing in October of 2017 with 10 members. That group played until May 2018. They re-organized in October 2018 with 9 members. The Choir is under the direction of Michele Hunsicker.

The Kristal Bell Method is a totally original hand bell playing system. It allows the choir to produce beautiful hand bell music accompanied by fully orchestrated song arrangements recorded on compact discs. The unique aspect of this method is that no musical knowledge is necessary on the part of the hand bell players. A director or facilitator is needed to lead the hand bell players and to coordinate the bell playing with the recorded music.

Performances:

1/21/18	How Great thou Art
2/11/18	Amazing Grace
3/11/18	Holy Ground
4/15/18	Let There be Peace on Earth donated by the Hand Bell choir in memory of Lou Ann Gill
5/6/18	Do Lord, Remember Me
10/23/18	Edelweiss
11/4/18	Will the Circle be Unbroken/This Little Light of Mine Hymn Sing: America the Beautiful donated by Marion Straub in memory of her husband Kenneth and her daughter Nancianne.
12/2/18	Silver Bells Angels we have Heard on High

The Bell Choir starts rehearsal in October (practicing one Sunday a month, after church service) and plays once a month starting in October and ending in May. If anyone is interested in joining please see Michele Hunsicker.

Also, if anyone is interested in purchasing a CD for the Choir, please see Michele Hunsicker for the listing of songs.

Thanks for the support of this musical endeavor.

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FAITH AND MISSION AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT

January	V.A.L.O.R.-	\$80
February	Soup Kitchen-	\$35 + \$129.51 Youth Fellowship=\$164.51
March	Habitat for Humanity-	\$30
April	Autism Awareness-	\$50
May	Muscular Dystrophy Association-	\$50
June	Northern Lehigh Food bank-	\$95
July	Lancaster Seminary-	\$95
August	Bethany Children's Home-	\$55
September	Allentown Rescue Mission-	\$45
October	Meals on Wheels-	\$35
November	Turning Point-	\$25
December	AIDS Awareness-	\$105

TOTAL	\$829.51
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Faith & Mission did not meet in 2018. The First Sunday of each month was designated to report on that months mission.

Those who participated were: Tammy White, Susie Blose, Madeline Balliet, Barbara DeLong.

Evangelism: Additional Cross bookmarks were purchased and are given to first time visitors at the beginning of each church service. Cost for additional book marks was \$30.

Welcome packets were completed for new members. Cost of welcome packets \$60.49.

No receipts were turned in for 2018.

Respectfully,

Tammy M. White

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SOCIAL MINISTRY REPORT 2018

- January 14 Served a luncheon to 40 after the congregational meeting.
- May 6 Served desserts after hymn sing.
- October 1 Served a luncheon after the funeral of Mable Knittle to about 110 people.
- October 28 Pastor's 20th anniversary luncheon. Served about 110 people.
- November 4 Served desserts after hymn sing.

Submitted by Barry Silfies

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NORTHERN LEHIGH FOOD BANK REPORT

The Food Bank gets assistance from the USDA, the State, Second Harvest, and local churches and organizations in the Northern Lehigh area. On average per month, 235 families were served for 2018.

Michele Hunsicker and Barbara DeLong serve on the Board as representatives for Good Shepherd Church.

For the year 2018, Good Shepherd has contributed to the Food Bank in the following ways:

For Souper Bowl Sunday we collected 157 cans of soup, 30 boxes of crackers and 5 pounds of miscellaneous foods. For a grand total of 192 pounds.

We collected 250 cans of corn for the Easter meals.

The month of June is Good Shepherd's month to collect items for the soap closet. We collected over 65 pounds of soap products, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet tissue, laundry detergent and misc. items.

July is our month to volunteer to distribute food which consists of one Thursday night and one Saturday morning. Thank you to the 12 people who volunteered to help hand out the food.

Harvest Home was held in September at Good Shepherd and a total of 260 pounds of assorted foods were donated.

In the month of November Good Shepherd donated 240 cans of corn for the Thanksgiving meals.

Also, in the month of December, the Food Bank distributed Christmas dinners. Good Shepherd donated 252 cans of corn for those meals.

For the year 2018, 1,259 pounds of food and products were donated to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

The Food Bank needs the following items: Canned Pasta, Tuna, Jelly, Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruits, Soups, plastic and paper grocery bags. If you can donate any of these items, please bring to church and place in the grocery cart in the narthex of the church.

The Food Bank wishes to thank everyone for the support given to this Ministry. The donation of time and food is greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to volunteer at the Northern Lehigh Food Bank, please call the Northern Lehigh Food Bank @ 610-767-9525. Volunteers must be 13 years old or older.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN AREA MISSION COUNCIL REPORT

Blue Mountain Area Mission Council is a region of the Penn Northeast Conference consisting of fourteen churches in the United Church of Christ. The pastors of these churches gather once a month to offer and receive collegial support and creating a loose bond between our neighboring congregations. Changes continue to occur among the clergy and I have had the honor of convening this fine group for the last twenty years and feel truly blessed by my work with many of these individuals. We as pastors have taken a vow to abide by a UCC Ministerial Code calling us to be supportive of each other's ministries and to pray for one another as we enter into sacred space with congregants who are going through times of joy as well as times of sorrow. As we transition into a new year, I ask for Good Shepherd's prayers and support for all the ministries represented by the following pastors and their congregations.

The pastors, their churches, and the year they began:

Kris Snyder-Samuelson	Pastor	Union	Neffs	(1996/2016)
James Robison	Pastor	Good Shepherd	Slatedale	(1998)
Karen Yonney	Pastor	Heidelberg	Slatington	(2005)
Brian Haas	Licensed Pastor	Christ	Walnutport	(2007)
Sally Zelker	Supply Pastor	Morganland	Orefield	(2008)
Lunnett Hilliard	Pastor	Friedens	Slatington	(2010)
Henry Distler	Licensed Pastor	St. John's	Slatington	(2011)
Bill Albright	Stated Supply	Jerusalem	Kempton	(2011)
Chris Cocca	Licensed Pastor	Christ	Lowhill	(2016)
Carl Siegfried	Supply Pastor	St. Paul's	Seiberlingsville	(2016)
Kayli Freeman	Associate Pastor	Union	Neffs	(2017)
TBD		Ziegel's	Breinigsville	(2016)
TBD		New Bethel	Kempton	(2017)
TBD		Ebenezer	New Tripoli	(2018)
TBD		St. Peter's	Lynnville	(2018)
Speakers	---	Bethel	Slatington	(2017)
Candy Cain Borgman	Honorary			(2016)

Respectfully submitted,
James Robison, Convener

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STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT 2018

The Stewardship Committee is called to study and share concepts of being good stewards in all forms of stewardship including financial, ecological, time management, health, and so much more. Annually, this committee is to seek commitments in the way of Faith Promises to solicit support for the ministries and missions that Good Shepherd finds God calling the congregation to serve and to be.

Little has changed since 2016 and the committee continues to limp along. Our hope and prayer is that some interested and enthusiastic members might come forward to address the issues of our time commitments and financial obligations that God is calling us to at Good Shepherd.

There are some interesting things that have been brought to our attention including share giving. There are companies that are willing to automatically send a person's weekly/monthly/yearly giving to Good Shepherd and the company will match the giving.

We are hoping that in 2019 we will be able to revitalize the important work of this committee with enthusiastic individuals willing to learn and grow in the ways of Christ.

Something to think about is what is called the Simplicity Movement which "Calls into question the meaning of the 'good life' in modern society and posits a less materialistic lifestyle as a more personally fulfilling, spiritually enlightening, socially beneficial, and environmentally sustainable lifestyle."

When we embrace God's good news on money and possessions, we're set free ~ both to serve as stewards and to reject idols.

When we do so, we draw closer to God, and in right relationship with money.

Respectfully submitted by Pastor James on behalf of the Stewardship Team.

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RESOURCE TEAM COMMITTEE REPORT 2018

2018 Stewardship Campaign Response for 2019

Human Resources

Of the Sixteen responding to the Volunteer Hours they give each week and areas of interest, seven collectively volunteer 28.5 hours/week currently and plan to volunteer 23 hours/week in 2019.

Worship Team

Liturgy Preparation- Eileen Andrews

Lector- Tammy White

Greeter- Tammy White, Mary Lacy, Denis & Amanda Trelease, Joe & Sharon Conway, Barbara J. Neff, Jonell Rinker, David Kuremsky, Madeline Balliet

Acolyte- Julian Cancel, Andrew Trelease, Anna Trelease, Patrick Conway

Altar Guild- Mary Lacy, Amanda Trelease

Senior Choir- Jonell Rinker, David Kuremsky

Faith Formation Team

Vacation Bible School- Tammy White, Sharon Conway, Barbara J. Neff, Ben Griffith, Katy Griffith, Monica Griffith

Mid-week Lenten Service- Tammy White, Ben Griffith, Katy Griffith, Monica Griffith

Sunday School Teacher- Mary Lacy, Jonell Rinker, David Kuremsky, Ben Griffith, Katy Griffith, Monica Griffith

Youth Fellowship- Mary Lacy, Ben Griffith, Katy Griffith, Monica Griffith

Small Faith-sharing groups- Ben Griffith, Katy Griffith, Monica Griffith

Resource Team

Stewardship Committee- Barbara J. Neff, Monica Griffith

Memorial Committee- Tammy White, Monica Griffith, Madeline Balliet

Budget Committee- Tammy White

Fund Raising Committee- Eddie & Karen Smith, Bonita Hewitt, Jonell Rinker, David Kuremsky, Madeline Balliet

Scrip- Monica Griffith

Rental- Madeline Balliet

Audit- Madeline Balliet

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2018 Stewardship Campaign Response for 2019 (continued)

Service Ministry

Funeral Receptions- Barbara J. Neff, Madeline Balliet

Social Ministry- Madeline Balliet

Evangelism & Faith/Mission- Tammy White

Office Volunteer- Eileen Andrews, Sharon Conway, Marilyn Sowden

Prayer Chain- Mary Lacy, Barbara J. Neff

Personnel- Marie Bachman, Monica Griffith

Leadership Opportunities

Deacon- Tammy White

Financial Resources

Of the 32 Giving Units that responded, the following was pledged for 2019:

9 plan on giving at least	\$ 12,040/year
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23 plan on giving an average of \$30.52/giving unit per week	\$ 36,504/year
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[a total of \$702/week]

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For a total commitment for 2019 being ~	\$ 48,544/year
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NOVEMBER 2018

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We extend a **Thank You** to those who have served on various committees in 2018. We would also like to thank those whose terms have ended in 2018 for sharing their time and talents. They include: Consistory - Dennis Silfies, Bryan Puskas, Todd Solt, Tyla Block & Aricka Creyer.

Committees

- Worship & Music: Marilyn Smith, Judy Neff, Denise Koons, Lisa Kuntz & Kelsey Kuntz.
- Christian Education: Ahstin Creyer, Ann Johnson, Frank Johnson & Aricka Creyer.
- Youth Fellowship: Dylan Coffin.
- Fund Raising: Dennis Silfies.
- Evangelism/Faith & Mission: Evelyn Haas.
- Memorial: Bryan Puskas.
- Property: Dennis Silfies, Susie Blose.
- Stewardship: Deb Craig.
- Nominating: Karen Smith.

We would also like to congratulate all the faithful individuals who have agreed to serve another term on committees. The following individuals have agreed to join the faithful and fill vacant positions and work toward our mission here at Good Shepherd. Individuals joining committees are as follows. Elder: Susie Blose, Tammy White. Deacon : David Kuremsky, Jonell Rinker, Eddie Smith, Cameron Shields & Honorary Deacon Phillip White. Christian Education Superintendent: Deb Craig and Adult Teacher Mary Lacy. Youth Fellowship Cameron Shields.

The following committees have vacant positions: Consistory: 2 Youth Deacons. Worship & Music: 5 members. Christian Education Teachers: 1 Nursery, 1 Beginner, 2 Middler & 1 Congregational Rep. Evangelism/Faith & Mission: 2 members. Memorial: 1 member. Property: 1 member. Personnel: 1 member. Stewardship: 4 members. Nominating: 1 member.

If you feel a calling to serve on any of these committees to share your talents, or would like information on any of these vacant positions, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Nominating Committee

Susie Blose, Deb Craig, James George, Pastor James

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MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2018

02/13/18-A committee meeting was held and those present were Tammy White, Barbara DeLong, Madeline Balliet, Sally Loch, Pastor James as well as Debi & Don Sterner from Star AVR, LLC. The meeting was to discuss the purchase and installation of a projector and screen for the Church Sanctuary.

02/27/18-A meeting was held and those present were Tammy White, Pastor James, Sally Loch, Kerry Loch, Debbie Silfies, Barry Silfies. Deb Sterner, Don Sterner. The meeting was for the demonstration of the projector. The projector Invoice total was \$4,750.00.

03/2018-Church Member, Duane Haas constructed and installed a shelf to house the projector. Mr. Haas donated the materials and his time.

03/07/18-The cost of the screen as well as the installation invoice for the screen and projector was sent with the total being \$2,842.11.

05/07/2018-The screen and the projector were installed.

09/09/2018-The screen and projector were dedicated and used for the first time. The screen and projector were dedicated in Memory of Jane A. Falat by her family and as well as a donation from the 2016 Confirmation Class.

October and November, 2018-A laptop computer was purchased using money from the April Hantz memorial fund. It's intended use is designated for the sanctuary in combination with the screen and projector for church services and other events deemed appropriate for church functions. Marie Bachman ordered, received and configured the laptop in October and the laptop was integrated into the system in time to begin use in November, 2018.

(Update to original report submitted by Eric Hantz)

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FUND RAISING REPORT

Fund Raising Committee had a very busy year and was many times short on help. The goal of the committee was to raise \$15,000.

Thank you to all who helped in any way.

Submitted by Linda Bowers

DATE	FUND RAISER	AMOUNT RAISED	TOTAL FOR YEAR
1/27	Sportsman's Night	\$3,363.00	\$3,363.00
2/18	Filling Sale	\$207.00	\$3,570.00
2/3	Soup Sale	\$222.00	\$3,792.00
3/8	Pizza Sale	\$964.00	\$4,756.00
4//21	Italian Dinner	\$773.00	\$5,529.00
6/24	Meat and Money Raffle	\$2,550.00	\$8,079.00
5/13	Hoagie Sale	\$167.30	\$8,246.30
7/21	Chicken Bar-B-Q	\$630.00	\$8,876.30
9/22	Dinner and Comic	\$782.65	\$9,658.95
10/18	Basket Social	\$2,830.78	\$12,489.73
11/17	Gift Card Bingo	\$3,143.56	\$15,633.29
All Year	Can Recycling	\$65.60	\$15,698.89
All Year	Clothing Shed	\$142.00	\$15,840.89
All Year	Lottery Tickets	\$400.00	\$16,240.89

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SCRIP PROGRAM REPORT 2018

MONTH	PARTICIPANTS	CARDS	DEPOSIT (\$)	PROFIT (\$)	PERCENTAGE
January	12	66	\$ 2,970.00	\$ 134.50	
February	15	78	3,670.00	168.29	
March	14	61	3,115.00	186.65	
April	14	65	3,400.00	165.30	
May	17	85	4,010.00	188.75	
June	13	87	3,995.00	202.35	
July	12	71	3,730.00	180.08	
August	16	85	4,025.00	210.08	
September	10	55	2,280.00	121.90	
October	14	113	4,535.00	233.83	
November	23	215	7,560.00	400.48	
December	33	429	13,562.00	755.65	
TOTALS	193	1410	\$ 56,852.00	\$ 2,947.84	5.19%
AVERAGES	16	118	\$ 4,737.67	\$ 245.65	5.19%

Submitted by Monica Griffith

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RENTAL COORDINATOR REPORT

On record for 2018, Fellowship Hall was used 15 times for various church functions and rented 16 times. Various groups used the hall for reunions, wedding and baby showers, birthday celebrations, funeral luncheons as well as other gatherings. Miller Blood Bank used it 2 times this year.

This count does not include the regular weekly use of the Fellowship Hall by AA Back to Basics and the Girl Scouts. Little Shepherd Preschool continues to use the Fellowship Hall and 2 class rooms 3 times per week.

Total money received for the 16 rentals was \$1,150. After expenses \$350 was the total donation taken in for 2018.

For future Hall and Grove rentals, please contact Madeline Balliet, 610 769-0180.

Submitted by Madeline Balliet

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY ANNUAL GIVING REPORT

GOOD SHEPHERD UCC			FINANCIAL SECRETARY 2018 ANNUAL REPORT		
2018 Contributions					
\$ Members		Giving Units	\$ Members		Giving Units
00.01-20.00	25		500.01-600.00	7	
20.01-40.00	24		600.01-700.00	2	
40.01-60.00	16		700.01-800.00	3	
60.01-80.00	9		800.01-900.00	3	
80.01-100.00	8		900.01-1000.00	5	
SUBTOTAL		82	SUBTOTAL		20
100.01-120.00	7		1000.01-1100.00	5	
120.01-140.00	5		1100.01-1200.00	3	
140.01-160.00	4		1200.01-1300.00	6	
160.01-180.00	7		1300.01-1400.00	1	
180.01-200.00	6		1400.01-1500.00	3	
SUBTOTAL		29	SUBTOTAL		18
200.01-220.00	3		1500.01-2000.00	10	
220.01-240.00	3		2000.01-2500.00	6	
240.01-260.00	3		2500.01-3000.00	5	
260.01-280.00	0		3000.01-4000.00	3	
280.01-300.00	3		4000.01-5000.00	2	
SUBTOTAL		12	5000.01-7000.00	2	
300.01-320.00	4		7000.01-14000.00	1	
320.01-340.00	1		SUBTOTAL		29
340.01-360.00	4				
360.01-380.00	3				
380.01-400.00	3				
SUBTOTAL		15	\$ Visitors		
400.01-420.00	3		00.01-50.00	8	
420.01-440.00	1		50.01-100.00	5	
440.01-460.00	2		100.01-200.00	4	
460.01-480.00	0		SUBTOTAL		17
480.01-500.00	1				
SUBTOTAL		7			
TOTAL GIVING UNITS:		229	Submitted by		
MEMBERS:	212		Sally Loch,		
VISITORS:	17		Financial Secretary		

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GSUCC FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT LITTLE SHEPHERD'S PRESCHOOL FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

2018 FINANCIAL AUDIT AND REVIEW OF ACCOUNTING BOOKS

For the Period December 28, 2017 thru December 27, 2018

All monthly transactions and payments were reviewed for accuracy and verified with the bank statement and monthly reconciliation reports. The following transactions did not clear the bank as of December 27, 2018.

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT – (Items that did not clear the bank as of 12/27/2018)

Check #	Issued	Amount	Deposit Date	Amount
9749	12/4/18	228.00		
9761	2/18/18	20.00		
9763	12/18/18	680.00		
9764	12/27/18	1733.27		
9765	12/27/18	2148.50		
9766	12/27/18	903.82		
9767	12/27/18	220.00		
9768	12/27/18	132.36		
	TOTAL	6065.95	TOTAL	0.00

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCT #156213 – NEFFS NATIONAL BANK

Bank Balance as of 12/27/2018	11,740.65
Uncleared Check Transactions as of 12/27/2018	(6,065.95)
Uncleared Deposits as of 12/27/2018	0.00
Adjusted Church Register Balance as of 12/27/2018	5,674.70

SAVINGS ACCT #914958 (GENERAL FUND)– NEFFS NATIONAL BANK

Register Balance as of 12/27/2017	33,479.41
Income 12/27/2017 – 12/27/2018	16,640.16
Expenses 12/27/2017 – 12/27/2018	(11,395.89)
Uncleared Transfers/Transactions as of 12/27/2018	0.00
Adjusted Church Register Balance as of 12/27/2018	38,723.68

FUND RAISING CHECKING ACCT #163694 – NEFFS NATIONAL BANK

Register Balance as of 12/27/2017	3,182.74
Income 12/27/2017 – 12/27/2018	23,473.05
Expenses 12/27/2017 – 12/27/2018	(21,655.79)
Uncleared transactions as of 12/27/2018	0.00
Adjusted Church Register Balance as of 12/27/2018	5,000.00

LITTLE SHEPHERD PRE-SCHOOL – CKG ACCT #7901080585 – KEY BANK

Beginning Balance as of audit 10/31/2017	6,274.45
Income 11/01/2017 – 12/31/2017	10,657.50
Expenses 11/01/2017 – 12/31/2017	(8,483.48)
Balance as of 12/31/2017	8,448.47
Income 01/01/2018 – 12/31/2018	40,361.95
Expenses 01/01/2018 – 12/31/2018	(39,082.81)
Bank Balance as of 12/31/2018	9,727.61
Uncleared transactions as of 12/31/2018	0.00
Account Balance as of 12/31/2018	9,727.61

Audit Committee: Madeline Balliet, Richard Schock, Michelle Hunsicker, Susan Zellner

Richard J. Schock
Susan Zellner

Michelle M. Hunsicker
Madeline A. Balliet

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CURRENT 2018 AND PROPOSED 2019 BUDGET REPORT

	2018 Budget	2018 Actuals	2019 Proposed				
Building Expenses							
Mortgage*	\$15,000.00	\$14,913.12	\$15,000.00				
Fuel Oil/Propane	6,000.00	6,802.00	7,500.00				
Property Insurance (Ins. Board)	9,000.00	8,344.00	8,500.00				
Electric	7,000.00	4,176.00	5,000.00				
Janitorial	250.00	129.65	250.00				
Property	600.00	3,664.14	2,000.00				
Service Contracts	500.00	615.00	615.00				
Phone	500.00	564.00	575.00				
Snow Removal	400.00		400.00				
Furnace	3,758.40	3,758.40	3,077.33				
Total Building Expenses	\$43,008.40	\$42,966.31	\$42,917.33				
Missionary							
OCCWM	\$4,000.00	\$4,020.00	\$4,000.00		2018 Budget	2018 Actuals	2019 Proposed
Bethany	350.00	350.00	350.00	Ministry			
Lancaster Seminary	350.00	350.00	350.00	Christian Education	\$1,600.00	\$655.00	\$1,600.00
LCCC	350.00	350.00	350.00	Confirmation (Every Other)	700.00	17.35	700.00
Meals on Wheels	350.00	350.00	350.00	VBS	600.00	20.00	600.00
NL Food Bank	350.00	350.00	350.00	Newsletter	50.00	-	50.00
Phoebe	350.00	350.00	350.00	Supply Pastor	900.00	150.00	400.00
Total Missionary	\$6,100.00	\$6,120.00	\$6,100.00	Flowers**	100.00	-	100.00
<i>Mission Giving</i>	<i>3.22%</i>	<i>3.33%</i>	<i>3.19%</i>	Stewardship	100.00	-	100.00
				Spiritual Council	100.00	79.92	100.00
				Evangelism	100.00	-	100.00
Service contracts - ABE Alarm & Terminex				Altar Guild	200.00	-	200.00
				Social Ministry	100.00	-	100.00
				Website	200.00	228.00	230.00
				Worship & Music	100.00	55.96	100.00
				Youth Group	100.00	22.00	100.00
				Total Ministry	\$4,950.00	\$1,228.23	\$4,480.00
* Commercial loan with variable interest rate, adjusting annually in March							
** Difference between what was bought and what was paid for							
NOTE: Actuals based on dates 10/1/2017-9/30/2018							
Pastor Benefits							
				Salary	\$42,640.00	\$42,640.00	\$44,346.00
				Housing	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
				Transportation	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
				Vision	100.00	100.00	100.00
				Pension Dues (14%)	8,490.00	8,490.00	8,729.00
				Health/Dental	10,770.00	10,770.00	11,403.00
				Disability Insurance (1.5%)	910.00	910.00	935.00
				Continuing Education	250.00	250.00	250.00
				Subtotal	\$84,660.00	\$84,660.00	\$87,263.00
				Payroll Tax Match (8%)	6,772.80	6,772.80	4,988.00
				Total Pastor Benefits	\$91,432.80	\$91,432.80	\$92,251.00
				Total Budgeted Items	\$189,627.81	\$184,054.57	\$191,420.30
					0.95%	INCREASE	\$1,792.50
Church Office Expenses							
Church Office Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$1,228.40	\$2,500.00				
Offering Envelopes	1,800.00	1,700.00	1,800.00				
Equipment Contracts	600.00	831.00	850.00				
Sunday & Special Bulletins	1,000.00	700.00	850.00				
Postage/PO Box	250.00	172.00	250.00				
Internet Cable/Church Post	1,000.00	779.40	800.00				
Treasurer Supplies	250.00	75.00	100.00				
Virtual Office Systems (VOS)	960.00	960.00	960.00				
Vanco & E-Giving fees	350.00	708.00	720.00				
ADP Payroll Service		960.00	960.00				
Financial Secretary			500.00				
Total Church Office Expenses	\$8,710.00	\$8,113.80	\$10,290.00				
Music Ministry							
Piano Repairs	\$500.00	\$229.00	\$500.00				
Organ Repairs	400.00	197.50	400.00				
Supply Organist	250.00	-	250.00				
CCLI Copyright (every 2 years)	200.00	108.00	108.00				
Total Music Ministry	\$1,350.00	\$534.50	\$1,258.00				
Salary/Wages							
Workers Comp Ins. Hartford/AD	\$1,700.00	\$1,312.00	\$1,118.00				
Organist	6,600.00	6,600.00	6,732.00	Good Shepherd PreSchool		34,500.00	34,500.00
Secretary	7,325.00	7,325.00	7,472.00				
Sexton	6,800.00	6,800.00	6,936.00				
Music Director	6,600.00	6,600.00	6,600.00				
Treasurer	2,630.00	2,630.00	2,841.00				
Total Wages	\$31,655.00	\$31,267.00	\$31,699.00				
Payroll Tax Match (7.65%)	2,421.61	2,391.93	2,424.97				
Total Salary/Wages	\$34,076.61	\$33,658.93	\$34,123.97				

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AVERAGE ATTENDANCE CHART FOR CHURCH SERVICES LAST 5 YEARS

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
MONTH	YEAR				
January	80	77	61	88	78
February	97	59	100	94	82
March	115	100	125	92	105
April	164	142	94	107	101
May	103	91	106	76	93
June	107	107	83	99	79
July	98	92	87	81	67
August	81	80	79	74	74
September	109	93	103	78	82
October	102	97	95	84	106
November	101	115	112	110	81
December	102	97	61	94	93
Christmas Eve	303	281	290	261	297

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GSUCC CONSISTORY AND STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 2019

before name means they are not serving a full term (3 years for committees, 4 years for Consistory)

% before name means they are serving their first term

* before name means they will be completing their second term and must be replaced

italicized names denote Consistory Representative

“C” following name denotes chairperson; “R” following name denotes recorder

Consistory

Elders/Spiritual Council

*2019 Pam Puskas 484.553.1827
 %2020 Kerry Loch, P 610.349.5706
 #2021 Tammy White 610.390.5806
 %2022 Susie Blose 610.730.8532

Deacons

%2019 Eric Hantz 484.553.4012
 #2019 David Kuremsky 267.446.5884
 %2020 Bob Koons 610.360.5338
 #2020 Tammy Schaeffer 610.393.8210
 #2021 Jonell Rinker 484.201.1041
 #2021 TBD
 *2022 James George 610.767.2558
 %2022 Cameron Shields 484.239.9412

Youth Deacons

%2019 TBD
 %2019 TBD

Pastor

c. 1998 James Robison 610.432.3980

Secretary

c. 2016 Robin Bellesfield 610.509.4300

Treasurer

c. 2017 Cheryl Tully 610.392.0970

Financial Secretary

c. 2016 Sally Loch 610.295.7085

Worship and Music Committee

#2019 TBD
 #2019 Alice Christman 610.767.8389
 #2020 TBD
 #2020 TBD
 %2018 TBD
 %2018 TBD
 Organist Marion Straub 610.377.0110
 Bob Koons 610.360.5338
 DECEMBER 2018

Altar Guild

Christian Education

Officers

Supt. Pam Puskas, R 484.553.1827
 Supt. Deb Craig 610.751.5200
 Ass't Sec. Barbara J. Neff 610.767.3151
 Ass't Sec. Phillip White 610.767.4420

Teachers

Nursery Amanda Dieter 484.094.4986
 Nursery TBD
 Beginners RaeAnne Creyer 610.657.7345
 Beginners TBD
 Middlers TBD
 Middlers TBD
 Confirm. Pastor James 610.432.3980
 Confirm. Monica Griffith 610.285.2787
 Confirm. Susie Blose 610.730.8532
 Confirm. Ben Griffith 610.285.2787

Congregational Representatives

%2019 Madeline Balliet 610.769.0810
 %2020 TBD
 Snacks Frank Johnson 610.767.8829
 Snacks Barry Silfies 610.984.7779

Consistory Liaison TBD

Youth Fellowship

President Cameron Shields 484.239.9412
 *2020 RaeAnne Creyer 610.657.7345
 *2021 Eric Hantz 610.262.9608

#2019 Amanda Trelease 610.509.9870
 %2019 Julie Solt 610.730.6585
 %2020 Carol Oswald, C 484.408.1909
 *2020 Linda Coffin 610.730.6586
 %2021 Laura George 610.597.3636
 %2021 Mary Lacy 610.820.9188
Consistory Liaison TBD

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Fund Raising Committee

*2019	Frank Johnson	610.767.8829
*2019	Edgar Smith	610.767.4657
*2020	Linda Bowers, C	484.294.5661
*2020	Bonnie Hewitt	610.767.9155
%2021	Eddie Smith	610.767.3776
%2021	Karen Smith	610.767.3776
	<i>Consistory Liaison TBD</i>	Sexton

Property Committee

#2019	TBD	
%2019	Kerry Loch	610.349.5706
%2020	Jeff Coffin	484.553.3849
%2020	Brett Hunsicker	610.767.5740
*2021	Kevin Minnich	610.767.0611
%2021	TBD	
	Barry Silfies	610.984.7779
	<i>Susie Blose</i>	610.730.8532

Social Ministry Committee

#2019	Madeline Balliet	610.769.0810
#2019	Barbara DeLong	610.767.6006
*2020	Barbara J. Neff	610.767.3151
*2020	Dorothy Arnold	610.767.8037
%2021	Barry Silfies, C	610.984.7779
	<i>Consistory Liaison TBD</i>	

Personnel Committee

#2019	Susie Blose	610.730.8532
#2019	TBD	
*2020	Monica Griffith	610.285.2787
*2020	Richard Smith	610.767.5270
*2021	Marie Bachman, C	610.440.2550
	<i>Bob Koons</i>	610.360.5338

Evangelism Committee

*2019	Madeline Balliet	610.769.0810
%2019	Deb Craig	610.751.5200
%2020	TBD	
%2021	TBD	
%2021	<i>Tammy White, C</i>	610.390.5806

Stewardship Committee

#2019		
#2019		
#2020		
%2021		
%2021	<i>Eric Hantz</i>	484.553.4012

Audit Committee

*2019	Richard Schock	610.767.5625
%2020	Michele Hunsicker	610.428.6399
#2021	Susan Zellner, C	610.767.2305
*2022	Madeline Balliet	610.769.0810
Treasurer	Cheryl Tully	610.392.0970
	<i>Consistory Liaison TBD</i>	

Nominating Committee

%2019	Deb Craig	610.751.5200
%2020	TBD	
%2021	Susie Blose	610.730.8532
	<i>James George</i>	610.767.2558
	Pastor James	484.571.6083

Memorial Committee

#2019	Barbara DeLong	610.767.6006
#2019	Madeline Balliet	610.769.0810
*2020	Sally Loch	610.295.7085
%2020	TBD	
%2021	Tammy White	610.390.5806
	Monica Griffith, R	610.285.2787
	<i>Consistory Liaison TBD</i>	

DECEMBER 2018

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GSUCC PROPOSED CALENDAR FOR 2019

JANUARY		JUNE	
1	Enrollment for Pre-School begins	25	62 th Anniversary of the United Church of Christ
6	Epiphany Communion	30	Meat and Money Raffle
14	Congregational meeting-10 AM Service		
26	Sportsmen's Banquet	JULY	
27	<i>Energy Fuel Special Offering</i>	7	God and Country Communion
		14-19	Vacation Bible School
FEBRUARY		24	Miller-Keystone Blood Drive
1	Enrollment for Pre-School begins for general public		
3	Souper Bowl Sunday	AUGUST	
9	Miller-Keystone Blood Drive	19	Prayer Pal Revealing
24	Boy and Girl Scout Sunday		
		SEPTEMBER	
MARCH		1	Christian Education Registration Day-9:30AM
6	Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes/Circle Communion-7 PM	5	PreSchool Meet the Teacher Night-6PM
10	Daylight Savings begins at 2AM	8	<i>Mortgage Special Offering</i>
13	Lenten Service-7PM	8	Grandparent's Day
17	<i>Mortgage Special Offering</i>	9	1 st Day of PreSchool
20	Lenten Service-7PM	15	PreSchool Welcome
27	Lenten Service-7PM	22	<i>Harvest Home</i>
APRIL	Indoor Cleanup-8AM		
3	<i>Mortgage Special Offering</i>	OCTOBER	
7	Lenten Service-7PM	6	World Wide Communion
10	Lenten Service-7PM	12	Miller-Keystone Blood Drive
14	Outdoor Cleanup-8AM	17	Basket Social-6PM (doors open @ 5:30)
18	Maundy Thursday Communion-7PM	23	Winterize Grove Kitchen 4-6PM
19	Good Friday Prayer Vigil 12 Noon-3PM	27	Pennsylvania German Luncheon
20	Easter Egg Hunt-11AM		
21	Easter Communion Service-6AM and 10AM	NOVEMBER	
27	PNEC Annual Meeting	2	Daylight Savings Time ends @ 2AM
28	<i>Capital Fund Special Offering</i>	3	Daylight Saving Ends at 2:00am Totenfest Hymn Sing & Music Fest 3:00pm
		10	Stewardship Sunday
MAY		16	Gift Card Bingo
5	Hymn Sing and Music Fest-3PM	17	Consistory Elections-Congregational Meeting <i>Energy Fuel Special Offering</i>
12	Mother's Day	26	Thanksgiving Eve Service @ GSUCC
22	PreSchool Graduation-6:30PM		
26	Christian Education Promotion Sunday	DECEMBER	
27	Memorial Day Service-Slatedale Cemetary-8AM	1	Advent Communion-Hanging of the Greens 10AM <i>Capital Fund Special Offering</i>
27	Pentecost Communion and Confirmation	8	Christmas Caroling sponsored by Youth Fellowship 12:30PM
		1	Sunday School Christmas Program 3PM
		24	Service @ 10AM Christmas Eve Holy Communion @ 3PM 5PM and 11PM w/Candlelight Service
JUNE			
9	Graduate Sunday – Pentecost Communion		
16	Father's Day - <i>Organ Special Offering</i>		

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WORSHIP LEADER GRID FOR 2019

Month	Special Services	Head Deacons	Elders	Lay Reader	Acolytes	Greeters	Altar Guild
January	Epiphany Comm Jan 6	Eric Hantz	Tammy White	Pam Puskas	Julian Cancel	Sally Loch	Mary Lacy
February		Tammy Schaeffer	Susie Blose	Tammy White	Landon Moll		Mary Lacy
March		Jim George	Tammy White	Mary Lacy	Landon Moll	Eddie and Karen Smith	Laura George
	Ash Wednesday Mar. 6	7:00pm Bob Koons	7:00pm Susie Blose		7:00pm		
	Wednesday, Mar. 13	7:00pm			7:00pm		
	Wednesday, Mar. 20	7:00pm			7:00pm		
	Wednesday, Mar. 27	7:00pm			7:30pm		
April		Bob Koons	Susie Blose/Tammy White	Pam Puskas	Julian Cancel	Carol Kum	Carol Oswald
	Wednesday, Apr. 2	7:00pm			7:00pm		
	Wednesday, Apr. 9	7:00pm			7:00pm		
	Thursday, Apr. 18	7:00pm Bob Koons	7:00pm Susie Blose		7:00pm		
	Friday, April 19	7:00pm Bob Koons			7:00pm		
	Easter, Apr 21	6:00am Bob Koons	6:00am Pam Puskas		6:00am		
May		Jim George	Pam Puskas			Madeline Balliet	Mandi Trelease
June	Pentecost June 9	Tammy Schaeffer	Kerry Loch	Mary Lacy		Melba Bisko	Julie Solt
July	God & Country July 3	Eric Hantz	Pam Puskas			Julian Cancel and Mary Lacy	Julie Solt
August		TBD	Pam Puskas	Mary Lacy		Barbara J. Neff	Mandi Trelease
September		Tammy Schaeffer	Kerry Loch			Sonny and Barbara J. Neff	Linda Coffin
October	World Communion Oct. 5	Eric Hantz	Susie Blose	Pam Puskas		Carol Krum	Linda Coffin
November		Jim George	Susie Blose		Andrew Trelease	Eddie and Karen Smith	Laura George
December	Advent Communion Dec.1	TBD	Kerry Loch	Pam Puskas	Landon Moll	Madeline Balliet	Carol Oswald
	Christmas Eve Dec. 24	3:00pm Tammy Schaeffer	3:00pm Pam Puskas		3:00pm Andrew Trelease	3:00 PM	
		5:00pm	5:00pm Tammy White		5:00pm	5:00 PM	
		11:00pm Jim George	11:00pm Kerry Loch		11:00pm	11:00 pm	
							1/31/2019

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2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES		
Checking Account Balance 12/31/2018		\$11,740.65
Savings Account Balance 12/31/2018		\$38,723.68
Cash in Bank Accounts - Total		\$50,464.33
Certificates of Deposit		No Information
Church Building		\$1,227,529.00
Main Building, built in 1986 – 4,210 sq. ft. including narthex, nave and sacristy Christian Education Wing, built in 2000 – 1,800 sq. ft. including pastor’s study, office and 4 classrooms Fellowship Hall/Kitchen, built in 2000 – 3,240 sq. ft.		
Church Furniture		\$120,000.00
Property – 8.1139 acres		\$160,000.00
Paving		\$54,000.00
Grove Pavilion		\$12,000.00
Grove Fixtures		\$4,000.00
Church Building Assets		\$350,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$1,627,993.33
Mortgage (interest rate – 4%) Balance		\$142,712.26
Furnace Loan (interest rate – 4%)		\$2,165.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$144,877.26
NET WORTH		\$1,483,116.07

Greetings. 2018 was a challenging year, working on getting clear picture of the church’s finances. It was successful due to much research of old records and the input and support of the consistory members. Some changes have been implemented to help assure accuracy and efficiency. All bills are paid and all obligations to OCWM and Faith and Mission causes have been met without difficulty, however if not careful that could change quickly. You as a congregation need to continue with faithful giving, I encourage you to consider e-giving to ensure your support is here even if you cannot be. Contact Deb Craig for information to enroll.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy 2019.

Cheryl Tully, Treasurer

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