

# **Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church**

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2018**



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## Mission Statement

**A**pproved by the Session, October 15, 1991

It is the mission of the Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church to proclaim the love of God and the salvation of Jesus Christ, by:

- Providing a haven of warmth, joy and welcome for all;
- Proclaiming, in word and deed, God's truth as contained in Holy Scripture;
- Making God's love real by reaching out to those in need;
- Nurturing lifelong growth in the faith through educational programming;
- Demonstrating and encouraging the joy of Christian stewardship;
- Coming together to pray and sing praise to the Lord and to share the good news throughout the community;
- Upholding the integrity of creation and dignity of persons by doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God.



## Membership Statistical Report

*For the Year Ending December 31, 2018*

Total Active Members,  
December 31, 2016. . . . . 331

Additions:

Profession and Reaffirmation of Faith. . . . . 4  
Transfers. . . . . 0  
Restore to Rolls. . . . . 1  
Total Additions. . . . . 5

Losses:

Certificates of Transfer. . . . . 2  
Deaths. . . . . 4  
Other Removals. . . . . 37  
Total Losses. . . . . 43

**Total Active Members,  
December 31, 2018. . . . . 293**

Baptisms:

Infant/Child. . . . . 1  
Adult. . . . . 0  
Total. . . . . 1

## In Memoriam of Church Members

2018

Leslie Thornton. . . . . January 22, 2018  
Nancy Smith. . . . . April 25, 2018  
Henry Stout. . . . . May 23, 2018  
Bruce Larsen. . . . . December 11, 2018

## Interim Pastoral Nomination Committee

**O**n January 7, 2018 Session met to dissolve the pastoral relationship with the Rev. Dr. Carlos Wilton effective January 31, 2018. With this news, a Ministry Information Form (MIF) was immediately prepared to begin the process of selecting an Interim Pastor. The MIF outlined our demographics, mission and the congregation's vision for ministry. The Committee on Ministry approved the PPPC MIF in February. From there the Interim Pastoral Nominating Committee led by Jim McGuire, began to meet regularly. The committee members included: Deirdre D'Amore, Robin DeRosa, Lynn Larsen Hahm, Diane Legreide, Kent Lorentzen, Marjorie Meklin, Frank Perkowski and Diane Sikora. The committee received and reviewed 60 Personal Information Forms from various candidates. For the ones that went on to further review, the committee watched and listened to many sermons seeking the right candidate. In July, Osy Nüesch was first asked to visit PPPC. Through prayer, discernment and Session approval the committee extended a call to the Reverend Osy Nüesch. On September 1, 2018 Pastor Osy Nüesch began his call as Intentional Interim Pastor of Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church. The nine-month process resulted in a wonderful answer to prayer for our Church.

Jim McGuire  
Interim Pastoral Nomination Committee Chair

## Interim Pastor's Report

**A** year ago this month, I was completing my interim ministry training and with encouragement and affirmation from family and colleagues began to picture what form the next stage of my ministry might take. I had no way of envisioning the blessing that being called to Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church would turn out to be. Announcing in May to the congregation I had served for ten years that I would be leaving at the end of June was not easy. The uncertainty of connecting with the right church presented real and practical concerns and the entire shift required taking a big leap of faith. Meanwhile, you were taking your own faith strides. Our paths came providentially together in the middle of the summer and on the first of September our journeys merged into one. I have only been with you for the last third of the year, but what I have experienced has demonstrated the spirit of a seriously engaged congregation ready to embrace God's future with excitement, determination, and courage.

This report celebrates some of the more evident accomplishments of 2018, for which we give thanks and glory to God. I commend all the people who, as the Body of Christ, live out what they believe by ensuring the health, vitality and mission of this dynamic community of faith. As with any dynamic system, you have experienced many changes this year! There have been growing pains. Seeing friends, ministers and staff members depart, retire or stepping down is always difficult. At the same time, we have experienced God's faithfulness in raising up new leaders, calling new people and renewing passion through different events, groups and celebrations. A commitment to engage in a process that will lead to a new beginning is commendable and will bear good fruit very soon. A resolve to be a community that welcomes and accepts people regardless of their race, ethnicity, language, sexual orientation, economic status, political party affiliation or any other identity imposed upon

us by others is the result of the radical welcome we have received from God through Jesus Christ.

I am grateful for the warm welcome I have received and for the willingness of the congregation to experience different ways of attending to the elements of worship. The many meaningful emphases in the fall followed by the fervent Advent and Christmas observances lifted our spirits and strengthened our witness. Singing with the chancel choir is such a joy! Playing with the Choral Bells Choir is something I have wanted to try for a long time. The brilliant sounds that emanate from the striking organ under Sara's expert treatment add a deeper dimension to our worship every Sunday. We do not take for granted the commitment of our talented musicians throughout the year. Neither should we fail to recognize the silent numbers of volunteers that work behind the scenes making so many ministries possible (Thank God for Annual Reports to bring all this to light!).

I appreciate working with the dedicated staff members on a daily basis and am so impressed by the number of details they handle with a gracious and willing spirit. Elders and Deacons work collegially while an array of volunteers come and go every day doing their part "as unto the Lord."

Finally, Juli and I are grateful for the opportunity to reside in the beautiful Manse and be part of this lovely community five days per week. The convenience of living across the street from the church is appreciated and we are looking forward to enjoying how the area comes alive in the summer months. We are grateful to Nancy Stout and all those who worked with the Buildings and Grounds Committee to upgrade appliances, paint the interior, and take care of a number of miscellaneous details. The parade of volunteers who gave up hours on Labor Day weekend to give the entire house a deep cleaning was a labor of love that we will not soon forget. We were pleased to hold two open

houses so that the congregation could admire the result of its hard work. Choosing to spend valuable resources on that gallant building is a gift to the community and reveals an appreciation for history as well as beauty.

Thank you for allowing me to walk with you through the challenges and opportunities that 2019 will bring. Staying focused during this time of transition will require patience. Maintaining a strong financial structure will demand sacrifice. Making decisions about the future will test character. Trusting that God is leading us will prove the worth of faith.

Peace!  
Pastor Osy

### **Benevolence Fund**

**Total Benevolence Disbursements for 2018**  
**\$5,592.64**

#### Special Offerings Disbursements

Blanket Sunday/Tools of Hope	\$855.00
Centsability	\$1,102.49
Peace & Global Witness	\$921.00
Providence House	\$229.00
OGHS	\$1,313.65
St. Gregory's Pantry	\$486.00
St. Mary's Table	\$360.50
Hurricanes and Typhoons	<u>\$325.00</u>

#### Benevolence Requests Received But Were Unable To Respond To

General Assembly  
Missionaries: Dennis & Maribel Smith  
Tyler & Rochelle Holm  
Synod 5%  
Presbyterian Camp/Conference Center  
Theological Education Fund  
Princeton Theological Seminary  
Medical Benevolence Foundation  
Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey

## Board of Deacons

The Board of Deacons would like to thank the congregation for their monetary support of its efforts. We appreciate each and every dollar given to us. We provide financial assistance to members of our congregation and community through a confidential review process. This year, as in the past, we continue to be busy; as tough economic times continue to affect so many.

Assistance included but was not limited to utility bills and rent as well as providing gift and gas cards for those in need. The Deacons this year were able to provide gas cards to IHN families, which tend to travel a lot as they are moved to different churches each week. This year Deacons were able to support hurricane relief through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Deacons also made donations to the church for roofing and heating assistance. Deacons also gave to our local fire and police department for their years of service. During times when we could not be of assistance, we continued to give referrals to other agencies that might possibly help.

The Deacons also provide spiritual support by visiting those who cannot attend services and by serving Home Communion. Through its ministry, the Board sends cards to those who need support both at home and in the hospital, maintains the Abbey Press Care Notes display in the Narthex and the Caring & Sharing Board in the North Hall.

The Deacon of the Month delivers flowers after Sunday services. We welcome anyone in the congregation who can help with the flower delivery - just let us know.

If you know of someone in need of our assistance, kindly talk to a Deacon or the Pastor. The work of the Deacon board is always confidential.

The Deacons also supported missions by

- Providing bereavement outreach to those suffering a loss of a loved one and/or medical or economic hardships.
- Supporting IHN, including filling a table at the IHN Gift Auction and providing gas cards to IHN families.
- Supporting the Valentine House by coordinating the "Giving Tree" for their Epiphany party as well as Valentine's Day party
- Leading Worship Services at Claremont Care Center
- Hosting the annual Blood Drive
- Sending care packages and letters/cards to our college students and active military
- Supporting Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Lend A Hand

Deposits. ....	\$10,016.18
Expenses. ....	\$10,421.26

Assistance to Church (Heater). ....	\$1000
Associate Disbursement. ....	\$100
Automobile Repair. ....	\$360
Bereavement Related. ....	\$136.4
Cancelled Payment. ....	\$405
Church Cards. ....	\$31.67
Church Gift. ....	\$1500
Church Music Assist. ....	\$250
Deposit Reverse. ....	\$50
Food for Deacon's Meeting. ....	\$54.23
Gas Cards. ....	\$500
Hands Up Payment. ....	\$1000
Hurricane Assistance. ....	\$1000
Lend A Hand. ....	\$219.90
Paper Statements. ....	\$5
Police-Fire Assistance. ....	\$600
Rental Assistance. ....	\$1677
Roof Assistance. ....	\$1000
Homebound Gifts. ....	\$54.38
Transfer Fees. ....	\$0.80
Utility Bill. ....	\$173.99
WalMart Cards. ....	\$135.18
Christmas-Gifts. ....	\$167.71

Respectfully Submitted,  
Deirdre D'Amore,  
Moderator, Board of Deacons

## **Endowment and Emergency Fund**

*"As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be..."*

**1945**

A committee of Church members proposed at the annual congregation meeting, a plan of creating a Perpetual Endowment Fund for the Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church of Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

The Church Endowment Fund would be created for a two-fold purpose; the first and main reason is as an emergency reserve fund to be drawn upon in only the most extreme cases. (Note that the recent depression, resulting in extreme Church difficulties fostered this type of thinking). The second is that when the Fund reaches a desired goal, the earnings could then be used for Church support without lowering the principal of the Fund. Historically, the income earned has been divided 75% for Church support and 25% for Fund principal. One hundred percent of the earned income will be given to Church support.

The proposal was adopted at that annual congregational meeting and the Fund was to be called the Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church Endowment and Emergency Fund hereafter referred to as the Fund.

Raising funds would be accomplished by inviting members to make certain contributions in memory or in honor of loved ones or by making bequests through wills. The monies raised would be given proper publicity in the Church work and publications at all times.

Donations (currently a minimum of \$1000) in memory or in honor of loved ones would provide for suitably

engraved plates which would be mounted on the plaques in the rear of the sanctuary.

The administration of the Fund would be handled by a committee of three persons called Trustees who would be elected by the congregation at their annual meeting. These individuals could be re-elected to succeed themselves...note that in succeeding amendments the committee size was increased to five persons.

The Fund Trustees would be given full authority for the handling of the Fund but would have no authority to withdraw monies from the Fund for the Church or other purposes without a proper vote from the congregation.

Monies in the Fund would be placed only with investments of the highest safety and guarantee. Safety of principal would be the first consideration at all times. No investment would be made without the recorded approval of each Trustee.

No monies from the Fund would be used for any purpose of the Church except in most serious emergencies affecting the very life of the Church, i.e., destruction of the Church building, area wide catastrophes, extreme financial depression.

The rules and regulations of the Fund went on to provide a rigid procedure for the approval and release of monies for bona fide Church emergencies. The procedure requires that a written request by the Church Trustees (today the Session) be presented to the Fund Trustees and later presented to a special meeting of the congregation. This meeting would be suitably publicized from the pulpit for four Sundays prior to the meeting. If the majority attending the meeting agreed,

the monies would then be taken from the Fund and transferred to the general Church account as an interest free loan. Definite plans for immediate repayment of the loan by means of special drives with a designated 5% of the yearly budget would be put into action. The same would continue until the amount borrowed from the Fund was replaced.

The Fund Trustees would maintain minutes of all meetings and keep accurate records of all contributions, investments, and income. All records would be available for inspection by any member of the congregation. The Fund President would give an audited report at the Annual Congregational Meeting and be available to answer questions.

Additionally, the Fund Trustees oversee funds held for the Presbyterian Women as per the Florence D. Gallagher Will and funds bequeathed to the Church through the Marion A. Ludgate Will appropriately called the Marion A. Ludgate Memorial Fund and monies anonymously donated for the preservation of the Church organ appropriately called the Organ Maintenance Endowment.

Today, we continue to follow our forefathers' every step with full confidence and pride and to uphold the same philosophies and prudence they used in those early years. Our goal is to preserve the Fund's integrity and to safely grow the Fund for generations yet to come to lovingly use in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. With the continued support of our Church membership, the Fund will realize this goal and continue to serve as it does today as (1) an additional safeguard against emergencies and (2) an additional source of income for the Church to use as it deems appropriate.

***2018 Fund Memorials and Honorariums:  
Given in Loving Memory  
of  
Elizabeth "Betty" Bell***

*Emergency and Endowment*  
Ensuring the Future

**Financial Statement for the following Funds**

<b>Endowment and Emergency Fund</b> (Principal as of December 31, 2017).....	\$470,302.95
Memorials and Honorariums 2018. ....	\$15,320.90
Retained Interest (25% of earnings) (Suspended for 2018).....	\$0.00
<b>Endowment and Emergency Fund</b> (Principal as of December 31, 2018). ....	\$485,623.85
<i>Presbyterian Women</i> (Principal as of December 31, 2018).....	\$5,000.00
<i>Marion A. Ludgate Memorial Fund</i> (Principal as of December 31, 2018).....	\$70,000.00
<i>Organ Maintenance Endowment</i> (Principal as of December 31, 2018). ....	\$8,044.61

**EARNINGS**

Ocean First Bank. ....	\$1,969.46
Annuities. ....	<u>\$12,255.51</u>
Subtotal. ....	\$14,224.97
Presbyterian Women. ....	\$112.67
Marion A. Ludgate Memorial Fund.....	\$2,411.50
Organ Maintenance Endowment. ....	\$159.17

**GRAND TOTAL. .... \$16,908.31**

**DISTRIBUTION OF EARNINGS**

	<u>Previous</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>Total</u>
Church Support	\$325,977.55	\$14,224.97	\$340,202.52
Transferred to Principal (25% of earnings - Suspended for 2018)	\$52,710.65	0.00	\$52,710.65
Presbyterian Women (In accordance with the will of F.D. Gallagher)	\$12,874.58	\$112.67	\$12,987.25
Marion A. Ludgate Memorial Funds	\$70,872.91	\$2,411.50	\$73,284.41
Organ Maintenance Endowment	<u>\$622.66</u>	<u>\$159.17</u>	<u>\$781.83</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$463,058.35</b>	<b>\$16,908.31</b>	<b>\$479,966.66</b>

Respectfully submitted by Trustees,  
 Frank Scarpone, Jr., President  
 John Curtis, Corresponding Secretary  
 Brian Potter, Treasurer  
 William P. Hoey, Assistant Treasurer  
 Katherine Durante, Recording Secretary

## **Caring Committee**

The Caring Committee continues to meet our members needs. The Caring Committee includes responsibilities for equipping and fellowship.

### ***Bread/Hospitality***

The 2018 Bread Team was composed of five full time members; unfortunately one of our valuable members has had to resign. New members will be recruited in January through the bulletin and "Constant Contact".

We are an enthusiastic band of volunteers who only wish to be busier. We deliver bread to visitors who sign our worshiping pew pad. The delicious bread is baked by the member or store bought and packaged appealingly in a small cloth bag (thank you Donna Wittmann). Besides the yummy bread, the bag is filled with "PPPC", "Busy-Hands for Missions" and "PW" brochures. We are alerted via e-mail, by the church office. Thank you Kim for all you do. Out of town visitors are sent a postcard or note welcoming them to our church; brochures are often included in the envelope.

This year we delivered a total of eleven (11) breads (five in October) and sent two (2) note cards including the brochures. Two of those eleven deliveries were to persons that have become active in our bell choir and in Lydia Circle! Last year, 2017 we had five (5) bread deliveries and sent one (1) note card. Alas, we are only as responsive as the visitors who are adventurous enough to sign the Ritual of Friendship.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Norby  
Bread Team Coordinator

## ***Church Picnic***

This year's Church Picnic was held on August 26 at Riverfront Park in Point Pleasant. A whole team of people continues to do a wonderful job in planning all the details that make our picnic a success time after time. Moving worship to a new offsite location, as well as having a picnic afterwards, is no easy task. Thank you to all who helped.

The informal worship service took on the theme "Our Hopes and Dreams as a Church" with the understanding "*For Nothing will be impossible for God.*"

After the service, there was a great time of food and fellowship. Each guest or family, brought either a side dish, salad, or dessert to share and the Manzos graciously donated a variety of Jersey Mike's subs. The day was topped off with an early introduction to Pastor Osy and his wife Juli who came as guests to the picnic.

With worship outside along the river, great weather, loving family and friends all around, a splendid buffet of food with a multitude of desserts, it was once again a perfect day!

### ***Communion Brunch***

The Communion Brunch continued to follow the 10:00 a.m. service. Entering its eleventh year, I am still in awe watching our kitchen crew create, cook, and serve delicious breakfasts for Communion Brunch. The brunch is served from September through June.

Our food events continued to be successful outreaches to possible new members. The Inquirer's Group is scheduled around Communion Brunch as to provide a meal for the attendees. This has become a natural way to fellowship with attendees as they take their first step in exploring Church membership.

Because of your generosity, we are able to just about cover our expenses. We would like to be able to cover our expenses and be able to donate more to mission worthy Church projects.

The Communion Brunch is a wonderful way to share our Christian love.

### ***Kitchen Committee***

***T**here is nothing better for mortals than to eat, drink, and find enjoyment in their toil. This also I saw is from the hand of God. Ecclesiastes 2:24*

For 2018, the Kitchen Committee was comprised of the following wonderful people:

Rich Bavier	Blake Birdsong
Deb Brendler	Carol Bonebrake
Dee D'Amore	Tom D'Amore
Barbara Reusch	Susan Reilly
Terri Satterlee	Diane Sikora
Linda Lee Smith	Jacque Thornton
Arlene Wacha	

Monthly, they faithfully volunteer their time and finances (through food donations) in order to feed our Church at the monthly Communion Brunch as well as any Church event that has a need.

Everyone on this committee has a servant's heart and each of them is greatly appreciated.

In Jesus' love,  
Jacque Miscavage Thornton  
Kitchen Committee Chair

## *Presbyterian Women*

Presbyterian Women's (PW) five Circles continue their commitment to supporting the needs within our Church community and the Church worldwide. Our Circles continue to operate in a caring and loving manner by:

- Welcoming new members with open arms.
- Providing the foundation for fostering lifetime relationships.
- Providing Bible studies, retreats, and Sunday Services at Claremont that explore our relationship to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.
- Delivering meals, cards, and other expressions of faith, hope and love to those recovering from surgery and other illness.
- Collecting at Circle meetings, through specific fund-raisers and other generous donations, money to support the Sunday morning nursery, Presbytery, Synod and Church Worldwide projects.

A special committee was formed in early 2018 to design a retreat on "Praying" that was lead by Amy Clarkson. This retreat and the one she lead in 2017 got outstanding reviews. The retreat was held at the Brick Presbyterian Church on March 17, 2018 and was attended not only by our own church members, but also by ladies from Brick Presbyterian.

Our annual clothing drive on April 21st was successful in helping to raise the funds needed to support the two nursery staff positions and meet our pledge of \$800 to support the Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Monmouth, the Synod, and Church Worldwide services. In addition, we specifically supported the following projects:

- Mary's Table at St. Mary's Church
- Busy Hands
- The Roof Fund
- The Heating Fund

- The Deacons Fund to help with requests for aid at Christmas.

Additional funds were raised December 16th through the popular cookie sales.

We also provide the opportunity of the five Circles to come together twice a year. The May 22nd Gathering focused on "Women called to lead in Love." The December 5th Gathering celebrated Christmas Season with a presentation entitled "A Room with a View." Both gatherings were well attended, and they are definitely events that the congregation and the Circles look forward to every year. Also, at the PW Coffee Hour after church services on May 22nd, PW Team Leaders, as well as Circle Leaders, were installed.

The PW circles always generously support Operation Christmas Child by donating shoeboxes filled with toys and hygiene necessities. We also support Church World Service with baby kits and school bags filled with notebooks, pencils, rulers, crayons, and other learning materials for disadvantaged children.

PW continues to show God's love in this ever-changing world and welcomes all women in the congregation to help us with our service for peace and justice.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan L. Robbins, Moderator

***Busy Hands for Mission Group***

**J**ean Campbell, Virginia Claeys, Andrea Crate, Connie Curtis, Robin DeRosa, Marion Dillane, Sue Hankins, Evelyn Hazard, Claire Meany, Margie Meklin, Sue Perkowski, Susan Robbins, Marjorie Watson and our graphic designer Karen Norby continue to help. Our group currently meets on the First, Fourth and Fifth Tuesdays of the month in Fellowship Hall from 10 a.m. until noon. We bring lunch to enjoy after we clean-up.

We continue to support the Nurseries at Hackensack Medical Centers in Brick and Neptune with knit baby hats, Claremont Care Center, IHN, Church World Service, our own Point Beach Prep Preschool and our own Church projects.

This year we also supported the Deacon’s ministry by giving handmade lap blankets to the 20 Church members who receive visits from the Deacons throughout the year. The blankets were appreciated by all. When the church needed a new roof we again donated funds from our treasury to help.

Thanks for all your donations over the past year in support of our work. Skeins of yarn, towels, material and sheets or gift cards are just some of the items we use to make our donations possible. A big Thank You for supporting our mini Christmas Shoppe again in 2018.

Please come and join us; we have some new ideas for 2019 and hope you will help us in our mission projects here and around the world.

Marilyn Rice  
Coordinator

***PW Treasurer’s Report***

Receipts. . . . .	\$7,632.19
Disbursements. . . . .	\$8,6691.93
PW in the Presbytery of Monmouth	
PPPC Big Cover Up Roof	
Retreat	
Church Missionaries to Africa	
St. Gregory’s Pantry	
Busy Hands	
CWS Postage	
Office Supplies	
Linda’s Reception	
Nursery Care	
Staff Gifts	
PPPC - Furnace	

**PW Savings Account**

Beginning Balance	\$2,333.62
Interest Earned	<u>.71</u>
Ending Balance	\$2,334.33

Respectfully Submitted  
Marjorie M. Watson, Treasurer  
Pt. Pleasant Presbyterian Women

**O**ur committee's focus is on Christian Education for both youth and adults.

Pastor Linda had a bible study "Embracing Forgiveness." We gathered together for discussion, thoughts, and insight of how important it is to forgive. We enjoyed fellowship with each other and joined together for lunch before venturing off to our other tasks for the day. Pastor Osy is working on offering a Bible study in the near future.

This summer, our Vacation Bible School worked with our new curriculum from Orange. It was a great adventure for the youth and adult leaders. We are looking forward to another great year with Vacation Bible School.

Our Sunday School has approximately 38 youth. We have 3 levels: pre-k/k, 1-3 grade, and 4-6 grade. We're working on organizing a youth group for grades 7-9. We are always trying to recruit more youth involvement. The current curriculum is from Orange. The Sunday School youth explore the Bible and important life values. There is a monthly theme with Bible stories and how it relates to our lives today. Our Sunday School coordinator, Frank Perkowski, places an overview of the monthly curriculum in Constant Contact at the beginning of the month.

The confirmation class' curriculum was *Professing Our Faith* from PCUSA. Marjorie Meklin and Ryan Wittmann were the advisors. They will be doing the class again this year along with Pastor Osy.

We're always looking for new ideas and volunteers. We are looking forward to a great year.

Marjorie Meklin

**W**e all want our children to love God, follow Jesus, and grow up to be people of faith. With steadfast support from our congregation, parents/guardians join with our Pastor and Sunday School teachers in this great mission.

Beginning in September 2018, we implemented a brand new curriculum. Children begin their Sunday in church and, after the "Time for Children," head over to the Education Annex. First, we meet together in a large group usually in Wilton Hall or, otherwise, in the main Sunday School room downstairs. The children experience a motivational opening activity with instruction, a Bible Story video presentation, music, and prayer. Next, we break into three smaller groups in classrooms for discussion and creative follow-up activities that challenge children to move, play, connect, imagine, or reflect. These experiences combine to reinforce one clear and simple "bottom line" idea each week, so the children will retain what matters most.

Drawing from people and scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, our monthly themes, or "life apps," have included: Initiative-Seeing what needs to be done and doing it, Contentment-Deciding to be okay with what you have, Cooperation-Working together to do more than you can do alone, Compassion-Caring enough to do something about someone else's need, and Self-control-Choosing to do what you should even when you don't want to.

We are thankful for our 35 registered children from 22 families. Actual weekly attendance tends to mirror family attendance at worship. We are also grateful for the dedicated, sustained commitment of our 7 teachers and appreciate the willingness of several substitute teachers who say "Yes!" when called.

With joy and thanksgiving,  
Frank Perkowski  
Sunday School Coordinator

*Vacation Bible School*

August 13-17, 2018  
Preschool through Grade 5

The title of our Vacation Bible School experience was "AMPED—Live Fully Alive!" We based our activities around the scripture verse "**I have come so they may have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way.**" *John 10:10b, NIV*

We concentrated on one "bottom line" idea each day:

- Live like you know God is with you.
- Live like God has a plan for you.
- Live like Jesus is alive.
- Live like people matter.
- Live like you're part of a bigger story.

Every morning we worshipped, experienced a new Bible story video presentation, created crafts, enjoyed snacks, learned new songs with exciting dance moves, and played games. Our week included a culminating Family Night, as well.

As a Mission Project, our families supplied special items for backpacks (i.e. pajamas, pillow pet, pillow buddy, stuffed animal, blanket, child's book) to be given to temporarily homeless children who participate with their families in our Interfaith Hospitality Network throughout the year.

We give thanks for the 28 children who participated. We are grateful for the 14 adult and 3 student volunteers who planned and delivered the curriculum. Thank you, also, to the members of the congregation who donated funds and snacks to support the summer faith growth of our children.

Joyfully,  
Sue Perkowski  
VBS Coordinator

The Point Beach Prep Pre School is an integral part of the ministry and witness of the Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church! It continues to solidly build its reputation as an excellent academic program for preschool children aged 2 ½ - 5 years in a nurturing Christian environment. Now in its tenth year, the program offers both a nursery class and pre-k class. To meet the growing demand for our program, this past year we were able to expand nursery classes to include an afternoon session! The part time program runs from 8:30am-12:00 with optional extended lunch until 1:00 pm. The afternoon session offers two and one-half hours for three days per week. We offer advance pre-registration and discounted tuition for all of our church families and our Open House for new families is on Saturday, January 26th. We also offer a summer camp program in July and scholarships are available as part of our community outreach.

Point Beach Prep thrives under the steady leadership of Devlin House as director. The school employs four teachers, pre school class lead teachers Kerry Jones and Mandy Rauffer, nursery class lead teacher Jessica Kaiafas and group teacher Abigail Davis. Weekly updates of what's happening can be viewed on the online PPC newsletter as well as the weekly bulletin. Point Beach Prep employs a cleaning service person and an on call handyman to maintain the classrooms in compliance with the State Board of Regulations for pre schools. All staff members receive twice yearly performance reviews conducted by Director Devlin House as well as a yearly review of the director by two board members. The staff continue to improve their skills through attendance at continuing education workshop/courses that are specific to the curriculum. PBP is also part of a coordinated effort with Pt. Pleasant Beach High School's child development program in which high school students are integrated into the program. Each year we continue to improve the infrastructure of the Christian Education building as well as contributing to the church at large. We also

maintain the outdoor play and surrounding areas. Our challenge continues to be adequate parking and drop off areas during peak times for our PBP families. To better manage our growing traffic flow, we utilize two dedicated parking drop off spots during peak times but we hope to explore other possible areas with the help of Session.

Our dedicated board of directors provide guidance and support as a liaison between the preschool and Church through regular monthly meetings. We are blessed by the full support of our pastor and congregation, and particularly, our PW circles who continually seek unique and meaningful ways to link our church and support our PBP families. We are most grateful for their involvement and as always, Point Beach Prep gladly welcomes volunteers and visitors to our classrooms! Join us morning or afternoon!

Keep in touch with weekly Good News in the PPPC online newsletter; check out our website [www.pointbeachprep.com](http://www.pointbeachprep.com) or call (732) 701-9900 to speak directly with Devlin House, Director.

In Christian Service,  
Elizabeth Ploskonka, Chair

**PBP Board of Directors  
2017-18 Board Members:**

Ginny Claeys  
Nancy Cook  
Lynn Hahm  
Karen Norby  
Sue Perkowski, Treasurer  
Barbara Reusch

**Point Beach Prep Income/Expenses  
Year End Summary 2018**

<b>Income</b>	
Tuition	132,273
Lunch Bunch	6,887
Snack Fee	4,550
Registration	3,760
Drop in Fee	350
Late Fee	150
Misc income	414
Returned Ck Fee	<u>25</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$148,409</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Capital Improvements	1,778
Class Supplies	3,935
Cleaning Products	890
Cleaning Services	5,420
Continuing Ed/Licensing	1,313
Gifts	2,155
Insurance	2,891
Maintenance	2,367
Marketing	1,201
Office Expense	4,776
Payroll	94,094
Payroll Processing Fee	1,103
Payroll Tax	7,754
Petty Cash	92
Phone	2,753
Snack	2,268
Substitutes	2,716
Transfer to Church Operations	<u>8,950</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$146,456</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$1,953</b>

The following figures are included in the above totals.

**January**

Contribution to roof campaign \$5,000  
Purchased shelves for resource room \$400

**February**

Security curtains and rods for hallway \$1,155

**March**

Purchased new vacuum \$400

**December**

Contribution to furnace campaign \$1,000

Sue Perkowski, Treasurer  
Point Beach Prep

## *Scouts*

Pack and Troop 6 had another great year of scouting. We serve over 175 youth between both programs. Suzanne Hanf is our Cub Master. We celebrated over 70 years of service to youth.

The Pack did all the usual fun events, such as Pinewood Derby, Blue and Gold Dinner, but also got out to many outdoor camping and historical places. We had our traditional joint Thanksgiving feast at Allaire State Park with a full Thanksgiving meal cooked there in the site, as well as forest made New England and Manhattan Clam Chowders.

The Troop continues to camp at least once a month. We participate in council and district events such as the Klondike held at Citta Scout Reservation. We ran the Klondike for the Council with sleds and snow everywhere as the scouts traveled about Camp Citta with nothing but a compass to guide them. They participated in many shooting events as well. Troop 6 also ran the Webelos Woods for the District at Citta with over 400 people attending.

Troop 6 had several Eagle Scouts in 2018. These all required leadership and substantial projects to support nonprofit organizations. One project by Andrew Warade, did work for the Sunday School room. More Eagles are planned for next year.

We thank the church for its continued support of our Scouting ministry, originally chartered here in 1929. We are planning a 90 anniversary of our chartering next year. Look for the party on September 21, 2019 to come and celebrate with us.

Jim McGuire,  
Scoutmaster Troop 6  
Committee Chair Pack 6

## Outreach Committee

The Outreach Committee includes responsibilities in the areas of Mission, Stewardship and some functions related to hospitality extended to guests and prospective members.

### *Mission Interpretation*

Being on Mission at Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church. The church continues to work diligently throughout the year to make a difference for those who need it most. This year we continued with a list of accomplishments.

- As always, the Epiphany Party was held at the Joan Valentine House in January. About 50 residents were treated to refreshments and beautiful gifts that were donated through the Giving Tree in December. They are a most appreciative group of people.
- Monthly, the Cents-Ability “Noisy Offering” continued to be collected in support of ministries to relieve hunger locally, regionally, and globally.
- Special offerings were held for Blanket Sunday and Peace and Global Witness.
- The One Great Hour of Sharing offering was collected on Palm Sunday.
- Continue to support and refer those in need to St. Gregory's Food Pantry.
- Hosted the St. Gregory's Toyland Distribution in the Annex, which helped over 500 children with Christmas gifts..
- Hosted a Community Christmas Dinner in the Annex for over 200 people.

There are many projects always before us.

## Claremont Care Center

On the fourth Sunday of the month our church takes on the responsibility for a service at the Claremont Care Center. This short service is held at their facility from 2:30 to 3:00 pm. As a mission of our congregation, volunteers have been leading a simple worship service. Generally there are two people leading the service which includes a scripture reading, a short message (five minutes) and a couple of hymns. Several members of our Church, including the Elders, Deacons and members from the Presbyterian Women Circles, have volunteered their time. In addition we are thankful to Peggy Bierach, Karen Norby and Keith Reilly for providing music throughout the year. We continue to welcome your ideas and suggestions for this ministry.

### *Interfaith Hospitality Network*

Our church hosted five groups of IHN guests this year. We provided sleeping quarters, dinners, lunches and breakfasts for forty-seven people. We took care of twenty-two children, four young adults and twenty-one adults. An encouraging piece of news is that one of our guest from 2016 was able to buy a house for herself and her son this year. She was able to accomplish this wonderful feat through living frugally, a new job and the help of IHN churches (including us!) She is very happy and appreciative of all the support she received and is hoping to be able to do the same for others in the near future! Thank you to the many members of the our church who have given their time and cooking talents year after year. We need more volunteers, so please consider this mission that makes a real difference in people's lives.

Dorothy Tolley

## *New Beginnings*

**A**t the end of 2017 a New Beginnings assessor spent a day touring the church and community and meeting with congregational leaders. In January 2018 we were presented with a thorough report on our congregation. This assessment outlined our strengths and weaknesses, and included a plan for charting our course into the future.

New Beginning Leader-training events began in February and a series of small-group meetings that began in March were completed by May. Close to 60 people actively participated in one of the seven groups that were offered. The small groups examined key insights from the New Beginnings Assessment and gave everyone the opportunity to express their views and ideas about the sort of Christian community our church should become.

A consensus from the leaders formed the basis of a report that was presented to the congregation on Sunday, October 21, 2018. The presentation on the New Beginnings mission study was shown in conjunction with the celebration of the Church's 136th Anniversary. The report indicated everyone is passionate about the church and the outreach we have done in the past. It was agreed to be more missional and rededicate ourselves to our youth. We want to strive for a packed church in ten years. We want to have people know who we are as well as have everyone be passionate about being here.

In 2019 the church will continue to solidify decisions about our church's future by engaging in a period of deep discernment as all the ideas generated in our small group discussions during 2018 will be considered to create a "big-picture" decision about what we believe God is calling us to do and be into the future.

## *Stewardship*

**O**n October 28, the Congregation was introduced to our Stewardship Campaign "Challenged and Sustained by Faith." As part of the campaign several people offered personal testimonials in worship and in written form reflecting on how participating in the life and mission of this congregation had served to challenge and sustain them in their walk of faith. Thank you to Jack and Dorothy Tolley, Susan Beltran, Randy Crate, Sue Hankins, Karen McDermitt, Susan Robbins, Morgan Sarbello, and Ryan Wittmann for telling their stories in such powerful and memorable ways. On November 18 we dedicated ourselves and our gifts to sustain Christ's mission through the efforts of this congregation. As of the printing of this report, we have received from 84 Pledge Units a total commitment of \$198,426. The Stewardship Committee Members this year were Pastor Osy, Min Curtis, Bette Hughes, Craig Lambie, Diane Manzo, and Jim McGuire.

## Resources Committee

The Resource Committee includes responsibilities in the areas Buildings and Grounds, Personnel, and Finance.

### *Buildings and Grounds*

The year 2018 started off with a major challenge that the congregation responded to extremely well. The “Big Cover Up” as it was named represented our need for a new roof over our major building the Sanctuary. It is a very large roof that is estimated at 25-30 years old and needed complete replacement as well as some internal repairs from the water damage. Through the generosity of the Congregation and the work of various fund raisers we were able to raise the \$75,000 needed to complete this job. The campaign began in January and we announced that we reached our goal on Easter. It was a very stressful way to start the year but you did it! The majority of the work was completed in April and interior work was finished in July .

Also, in January we began the process of clearing the library with the idea of making it an Art Gallery. The books were given away and donated to the Princeton Theological Seminary Book Sale and the area was cleared. The Scouts helped a lot as did Randy Crate and Howard Gilbert who brought all the books out to Princeton. Karen Norby is in the process of planning our first art show at the beginning of this year.

The other major project was the preparation of the manse for our interim pastor and eventually our new permanent pastor. We started with a professional inspection which was done at no charge to the church by TruSpec Home Inspections. Session was then presented with a number of options (sell, fix, demolish, alternative use) and it was obvious that keeping and fixing this property was the best plan. We spent \$26,000 to repaint, fix, install new appliances and do the best rehab that we could. We could not have done this without the generous donations we received

and the volunteer hours from the congregation and the Scouts. We also need to recognize the dedication and hard work of Nancy Stout who managed this project before her resignation from Session for personal reasons.

In December we were presented with another problem, the loss of our heat in the sanctuary. Once again the church responded to this unexpected expense of \$8,800 right in stride and we are warm this winter. We will be incurring some additional expense for new air-conditioning condensers in the Spring. Also at the end of December the Annex floors in Wilton Hall, kitchen and Sunday School rooms were stripped and waxed.

It is also important that we recognize the members who have donated their talents over and over in keeping our aging buildings healthy as well as our grounds well kept. Thank you to the following who contributed to one of the many projects throughout the year: Tony Coppolino, Randy Crate, Joe Decker, Robin DeRosa, Frank Jones, Craig Lambie, Kent Lorentzen, Jim McGuire, Brian Potter, Henry Stout, Nancy Stout, the Troop 6 Scouts, Marj Watson and Donna Wittmann.

Respectfully Submitted  
Frank Jones  
Buildings and Grounds Chair

## *Personnel*

2018 was a very eventful year for the Personnel Committee. After 27 years of ministry, with gratitude and affection, our church said goodbye to Dr. Carlos E. Wilton on Sunday, January 28, 2018. In June the Session accepted the resignation of Church School Coordinator Tricia Stoffers and Dove Choir Director Rebecca Muraglia. To follow were two celebrated retirements. After 42 years in ministry the Session accepted the retirement of the Rev. Linda Chase in September. A few weeks later, the retirement of William R. Shoppell, after thirty six years of service, was celebrated. The title of Director of Music Emeritus was granted to William R. Shoppell, for his many years of dedicated service.

Those losses were met with anticipation and excitement as the positions began to be filled. In May, Kason Jackson was approved to be hired to be Interim Music Director for five weeks. It was in September that we welcomed the Rev. Osy Nuesch as Interim Pastor. Melanie Chambers was then hired to be our Chancel Choir Director in October. We are grateful for Frank Perkowski who offered to be our new Church School Coordinator, and Morgan Sarbello who stepped up to become the Choral Bells Choir Director.

The committee also worked hard to update the Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook so that it meets with the NJ Labor Laws as well as the Presbytery requirements. Committee members include Dee D'amore, Joe DeRosa, Lynn Hahm, Diane Legreide, Marge Meklin, Jim McGuire, Diane Sikora and Maria O'Connor.

For 2018 we are grateful to God for always faithfully providing for us in all our needs, and we now look forward to the New Beginnings in 2019.

Lynn Hahm  
Personnel Chair

## *Finance*

The year 2018 was another good year for our church. It was not without challenges but as usual our church family spirit and generosity prevailed. We look confidently at the year ahead, armed with the knowledge that we have the spirit and experience to prevail and keep moving forward.

As we close the books on 2018, we can look back with pride on our accomplishments in terms of our finances. We are not where we might like to be but we are moving in a positive direction. We ended the year with a deficit of -\$11,625, which was better than previous years. We started the year without a permanent or interim Pastor and surprised our departing Pastor and our interim Moderator when we raised the \$75,000 needed for the new roof. We began the campaign in January and on Easter we were able to announce we had raised the money. Thank you for the generosity of the congregation, numerous Fundraisers and our organizations (Deacons, PW, Point Beach Prep) this goal was met.

As the year was drawing to a close we were faced with another emergency, our heaters for the sanctuary failed completely and needed immediate replacement. Once again you rose to the occasion and in short order we raised \$8,800. This meant we did not have to touch our Emergency Fund of \$6,000 which was great for our future financial planning needs.

We tried to find as many ways as practical to save on expenses throughout the year. In the summer we reduced the cleaning schedule when the building was not being used as much, we attempted to keep our lawn and snow plowing expenses down, try to use email and reduce copies and postage. Our Total Building and Ground expense was about \$9,000 under budget. Some of these expenses are strongly related to the severity of our winter and our volunteers.

The spirit of volunteerism played a big role in our savings as well. We owe a debt of gratitude to The Perkowski's for volunteering to take over the crucial role of our Sunday School. Also to Morgan Sorbello for volunteering to be the Director of the Choral Bells Choir.

Although we benefitted financially from the period of time where we did not have an Interim Pastor, the savings were offset by a temporary drop in revenue. We had budgeted Pledges for \$195,000 and fell short of this by about \$20,000. We did not anticipate the expense of refurbishing the manse as well.

The budget for 2109 includes a full year of a Pastor in our church, modest increases of 2.5% for three valuable staff members, \$4,000 for new air conditioning compressors (to complete the HVAC project). Personnel and Christian Education have identified a need for a Youth Program in our church. We will address this in 2019 and have added \$5000 to the Staff Budget.

We have received pledges in the amount of \$198,000 from about 84 pledging units, and \$8,000 was in prepaid pledges that we received in December so our budget total for pledges is about \$190,000. There are always unanticipated issues that come up through the year but in the present format we are presenting a budget with a deficit of \$11,652.34

Thank you for your commitment to our Church Family! Praise the Lord.

Craig Lambie  
Finance Committee Chairman

**Treasurer's Reports as of December 2018 (Budget Income)**

Account #	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Budget YTD	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>					
4.101.100	Pledges	19,382.00	175,381.00	195,183.00	195,183.00
4.101.110	Non-Pledge Envelopes	4,870.00	33,760.00	42,500.00	42,500.00
4.101.120	Plate Offering--Cash	341.05	2,779.91	3,000.00	3,000.00
4.101.130	Initial Offering	0.00	350.00	600.00	600.00
4.101.140	Per Capita Inc.	80.00	3,006.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
4.101.150	Donations - Individuals	100.00	140.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
4.101.152	Donations - Organizations	75.00	858.25	1,000.00	1,000.00
4.101.153	Donations - Weddings	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
4.101.155	Church School	79.00	954.06	400.00	400.00
4.101.160	Christmas	5,747.05	5,967.05	8,000.00	8,000.00
4.101.162	Easter	0.00	3,644.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
4.101.164	Ash Wednesday	0.00	358.00	400.00	400.00
4.101.165	Maundy Thursday	0.00	69.00	600.00	600.00
4.101.166	Good Friday	0.00	560.00	500.00	500.00
4.101.300	Endowment Fund Interest	0.00	14,249.56	10,000.00	10,000.00
4.101.320	Ludgate Fund Interest	0.00	2,775.50	2,000.00	2,000.00
4.101.325	Church Fundraisers	0.00	350.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
4.101.327	Bequest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4.101.332	Point Beach Prep	300.00	2,950.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
4.101.334	Memorial Gifts	100.00	755.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>Total Budget Income</b>			<b>\$31,074.10</b>	<b>\$248,907.33</b>	<b>\$293,283.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>			<b>\$31,074.10</b>	<b>\$248,907.33</b>	<b>\$293,283.00</b>

2018 Financial Activity	YTD Actuals	
<b>Receipts</b>		248,907.33
Staff Expense	156,268.56	
Program Expense	6,012.94	
Buildings & Grounds Expense	71,016.41	
Office Expense	9,274.72	
Land Purchase Loan Payment	14,981.04	
Benevolence	0.00	
Per Capita	3,006.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>		260,559.67

**Receipts less Disbursements** -11,652.34

**2019 Preliminary Budget**

Account Name	2019 Preliminary	2018 Actual	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
<b>Income</b>				
Pledges	\$198,000.00	\$175,381.00	\$218,425.00	\$210,378.86
Non-Pledge Envelopes	\$36,000.00	\$33,760.00	\$39,689.75	\$42,611.20
Plate Offering--Cash	\$3,000.00	\$2,779.91	\$2,688.40	\$3,212.63
Initial Offering	600.00	\$350.00	\$619.00	\$442.00
Per Capita Inc.	\$4,000.00	\$3,006.00	\$3,243.00	\$3,836.00
Donations - Individuals	\$2,000.00	\$140.00	\$4,184.95	\$2,423.00
Donations - Organizations	\$1,000.00	\$858.25	\$700.00	\$925.00
Donations - Weddings	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$450.00
Church School	\$1,000.00	\$954.06	\$581.12	\$341.20
Christmas	\$8,000.00	\$5,967.05	\$7,504.16	\$13,085.01
Easter	\$5,000.00	\$3,644.00	\$3,943.75	\$8,693.00
Ash Wednesday	\$400.00	\$358.00	\$478.00	\$424.00
Maundy Thursday	\$400.00	\$69.00	\$306.57	\$387.00
Good Friday	\$700.00	\$560.00	\$477.00	\$464.00
Endowment Fund Interest	\$15,000.00	\$14,249.56	\$4,069.72	\$5,128.23
Ludgate Fund Interest	\$3,000.00	\$2,775.50	\$1,231.59	\$1,228.12
Church Fundraisers	\$4,000.00	\$350.00	\$13,377.48	\$0.00
Bequest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Point Beach Prep	\$3,600.00	\$2,950.00	\$10,600.00	\$30,500.00
Memorial Gifts	\$2,000.00	\$755.00	\$2,105.00	0.00
<b>Total Budget Income</b>	<b>\$288,200.00</b>	<b>\$248,907.33</b>	<b>\$314,474.49</b>	<b>324,529.25</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Pastor Salary	\$0.00	\$11,400.59	\$51,403.04	\$51,403.04
Pastor Social Security Supp.	\$0.00	\$682.52	\$5,877.82	\$5,877.82
Pastor Supp.	\$0.00	\$138.45	\$1,199.90	\$1,199.90
Pastor Pension	\$0.00	\$704.31	\$8,451.72	\$8,451.72
Pastor Medical	\$0.00	\$1,600.71	\$18,824.28	\$18,824.28
Pastor D/DIS	\$0.00	\$64.03	\$768.36	\$768.36
Pastor Dental	\$0.00	\$75.44	\$905.28	\$905.28
Pastor Prof Expenses	\$0.00	\$292.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Pastor Home Equity Allowance	\$0.00	\$173.07	\$1,499.94	\$1,499.94
Pastor Furnishing Allowance	\$0.00	\$576.93	\$5,000.06	\$5,000.06
<b>Total Pastor Compensation</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$15,708.05</b>	<b>\$97,430.40</b>	<b>\$97,430.40</b>
Int Pastor Salary	\$50,000.00	\$14,423.10	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Social Security Supp.	\$5,355.00	\$1,544.70	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Pension	\$7,700.04	\$2,566.68	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Medical	\$17,499.96	\$5,833.32	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor D/DIS	\$699.96	\$233.32	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Dental	\$905.28	\$301.76	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Prof Expenses	\$1,500.00	\$433.17	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Continuing Education	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Int Pastor Furnishing Allowance	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Int Total Pastor Compensation</b>	<b>\$84,660.24</b>	<b>\$30,336.05</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

Account Name	2019 Preliminary	2018 Actual	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
Staff #105	\$23,523.00	\$22,932.88	\$22,499.88	\$22,499.88
Staff #106	\$11,761.00	\$11,600.44	\$11,576.25	\$11,906.25
Staff #160	\$10,500.00	\$7,518.92	\$13,634.66	\$13,634.66
Staff #155	\$13,219.00	\$12,887.30	\$12,643.80	\$12,643.80
Staff #155 Bonus	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Staff #161	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,100.00	\$9,900.00
Staff #173	\$0.00	\$6,412.50	\$11,700.00	\$11,700.00
<b>Staff Compensation</b>	<b>\$64,003.00</b>	<b>\$62,352.04</b>	<b>\$80,154.59</b>	<b>\$82,284.59</b>
Staff Pensions	\$2,653.00	\$2,475.00	\$2,475.00	\$2,475.00
Staff Medical	\$13,856.40	\$13,856.40	\$12,856.08	\$10,779.96
Staff Dental	\$1,168.44	\$389.48	\$0.00	\$0.00
Staff - D/DIS	\$241.20	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$225.00
Staff Continuing Education	\$100.00	\$0.00	-\$20.00	\$126.00
Membership/Prof. Fee	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$80.00	\$120.00
Employer's FICA Expense	\$4,526.00	\$6,027.42	\$6,239.70	\$6,482.50
<b>Other Staff Compensation</b>	<b>\$22,645.04</b>	<b>\$22,973.30</b>	<b>\$21,855.78</b>	<b>\$20,208.46</b>
Organist Substitute	\$1,000.00	\$1,525.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,175.00
Pulpit Supply	\$875.00	\$3,325.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Supply Mileage	\$250.00	\$523.82	\$0.00	\$0.00
Moderator Mileage	\$0.00	\$375.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Pulpit/Organ Supply</b>	<b>\$2,125.00</b>	<b>\$5,748.82</b>	<b>\$1,300.00</b>	<b>\$1,575.00</b>
<b>Total Personnel Expense</b>	<b>\$173,433.28</b>	<b>\$156,391.32</b>	<b>\$223,555.41</b>	<b>\$224,104.18</b>
Worship	\$350.00	\$1,043.95	\$438.83	\$856.13
Worship--Chancel Choir	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Worship--Dove Choir	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$3.99	\$0.00
Bell Choir	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Church School Exp.	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$520.94	\$1,452.18
Vacation Bible School	\$1,800.00	\$501.21	-\$108.82	\$0.00
Youth Connection	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Evangelism	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$141.11
Fellowship	\$500.00	\$676.79	754.48	\$977.61
Picnic	\$500.00	\$84.87	\$421.48	\$387.50
Mission	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$77.68
Stewardship	\$1,000.00	\$919.07	\$1,071.12	\$2,321.78
Confirmation Class	\$300.00	\$192.10	\$0.00	\$48.00
Contingency	\$350.00	\$344.95	\$225.97	\$949.40
<b>Total Program Expense</b>	<b>\$8,150.00</b>	<b>\$6,012.94</b>	<b>\$3,927.99</b>	<b>\$7,811.39</b>
Custodial Supplies	\$1,700.00	\$1,658.29	\$1,448.45	\$1,872.85
Sunday Custodian	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
Custodial Services	\$18,000.00	\$17,238.75	\$18,558.75	\$18,926.25
Maintenance - Ground	\$6,000.00	\$4,255.00	\$7,373.25	\$8,506.00

Account Name	2019 Preliminary	2018 Actual	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
Maintenance - Church	\$2,500.00	\$2,528.26	\$1,568.56	\$3,437.79
A/C Compressors	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Maintenance - CE Annex	\$3,000.00	\$3,637.45	\$2,965.87	\$6,365.87
Maintenance - Manse	\$1,500.00	\$1,201.12	\$1,222.50	\$772.96
Maintenance - Organ	\$700.00	\$525.00	\$625.00	\$600.00
Maintenance - Pianos	\$250.00	\$131.30	\$224.15	\$336.45
Maintenance - Handbells	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Buildings &amp; Grounds</b>	<b>\$39,050.00</b>	<b>\$32,475.17</b>	<b>\$35,286.53</b>	<b>\$42,118.17</b>
Electric - Church	\$4,000.00	\$3,882.31	\$3,899.14	\$5,181.65
Electric - CE	\$3,500.00	\$3,586.49	\$3,926.21	\$3,506.26
Electric - Manse	\$2,200.00	\$1,235.44	\$2,406.33	\$2,105.20
<b>Total Electric Expense</b>	<b>\$9,700.00</b>	<b>\$8,704.24</b>	<b>\$10,231.68</b>	<b>\$10,793.11</b>
Gas - Church	\$4,000.00	\$3,747.44	\$5,006.97	\$3,195.00
Gas - CE	\$5,500.00	\$6,422.20	\$5,256.76	\$4,101.44
Gas - Manse	\$1,200.00	\$1,047.30	\$1,358.22	\$937.00
<b>Total Gas Expense</b>	<b>\$10,700.00</b>	<b>\$11,216.94</b>	<b>\$11,621.95</b>	<b>\$8,233.44</b>
Water/Sewer - Church	\$1,000.00	\$902.24	\$755.70	\$3,737.08
Water/Sewer - CE	\$1,200.00	\$1,108.64	\$884.38	\$1,347.57
Water/Sewer - Manse	\$1,000.00	\$693.72	\$1,139.74	\$1,015.11
<b>Total Water/Sewer Expense</b>	<b>\$3,200.00</b>	<b>\$2,704.60</b>	<b>\$2,779.82</b>	<b>\$6,099.76</b>
Phone - Church	\$3,120.00	\$2,485.14	\$2,702.48	\$3,153.69
Phone/TV/Internet-Manse	\$1,740.00	\$555.57	\$0.00	\$0.00
Insurance	\$13,000.00	\$12,874.75	\$13,674.06	\$13,576.25
<b>Total Phone &amp; Insurance</b>	<b>\$17,860.00</b>	<b>\$15,915.46</b>	<b>\$16,376.54</b>	<b>\$16,729.94</b>
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>\$41,460.00</b>	<b>\$38,541.24</b>	<b>\$41,009.99</b>	<b>41,856.25</b>
Office Supplies	\$3,500.00	\$3,349.92	\$3,310.73	\$3,672.23
Printing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Postage	\$600.00	\$537.75	\$1,151.46	\$1,078.20
Office Equipment Maintenance	\$300.00	\$137.83	\$368.21	\$0.00
Copy Machine Lease	\$1,668.00	\$1,668.00	\$1,668.00	\$1,668.00
Payroll Service	\$1,550.00	\$1,476.44	\$1,502.00	\$1,551.85
Vanco Fees	\$500.00	\$483.31	\$660.98	\$631.83
Session Expenses	\$500.00	\$1,541.47	\$107.99	\$0.00
<b>Total Office Expense</b>	<b>\$8,618.00</b>	<b>\$9,149.72</b>	<b>\$8,769.37</b>	<b>\$8,602.11</b>
Land Purchase Loan	\$14,981.04	\$14,981.04	\$14,981.00	\$14,981.04
<b>Land Purchase Loan Payment</b>	<b>\$14,981.04</b>	<b>\$14,981.04</b>	<b>\$14,981.00</b>	<b>\$14,981.04</b>
Benevolence Exp.	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,666.64	\$4,991.04
Per Capita Exp.	\$6,620.00	\$3,006.00	\$3,271.00	\$8,730.00
<b>Total Benevolence &amp; Per Capita</b>	<b>\$11,620.00</b>	<b>\$3,006.00</b>	<b>\$4,937.64</b>	<b>\$13,721.04</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$297,312.32</b>	<b>\$260,557.43</b>	<b>\$332,467.93</b>	<b>\$353,627.60</b>
<b>YTD Deficit-Income Less Expenses</b>	<b>-\$9,112.32</b>	<b>-\$11,652.34</b>	<b>-\$17,123.25</b>	<b>-\$24,391.29</b>

## Worship Committee

**T**hanks, Praise and Glory be to God! The Worship Committee is thankful, grateful and blessed to be supported by the large number of awesome people it takes to create our very meaningful worship services weekly.

We are thankful and grateful for the leadership and guidance of Rev. Osy Nuesch, Rev. Linda Chase, and Rev. Carl Wilton, and for the musical talents and dedication of Bill Shoppell (retired after 35 years of service), Rebecca Muraglia (Dove [Children's] Choir and Christmas Pageant Director), Sara Hoey, Melanie Chambers, Morgan Sarbello, and the many choir members and bell ringers who are part of our outstanding music program.

Sanctuary flowers glorified God, honored/memorialized loved ones, commemorated anniversaries and birthdays and beautified the Sanctuary all year.

Serving as a Liturgist is an important lay ministry. This year the role of Liturgist [worship leader] was greatly expanded. I gratefully acknowledge the awesome job accomplished this year by all our Liturgists with outstanding leadership under Rev. Osy Nuesch.

We were provided special music throughout the year. Notably, the third Advent Sunday, the Chancel Choir presented Mark Hayes' "Gloria" under the direction of Melanie Chambers; Sara Hoey, Organist, with professional string quartet accompaniment to a packed church; it was simply awesome! Also, Morgan Sarbello took the role of Choral Bell Director providing beautiful performances this year in addition to her wonderful flute solos throughout the year.

The Noisy Offering benefitting Cents-Ability (supporting ministries that relieve hunger locally, regionally & globally) was well supported by our members and guests this year.

Three Christmas Eve Services were held (4pm Children's Pageant, 7pm Special Music, and 11pm Communion) with over 380 people in attendance.

We are thankful and grateful for our church office staff (Kim Gaydos & Donna Ferry) and the dedicated teams and helpers who outstandingly contribute to making our church service beautiful and prideful. I gratefully acknowledge the hard work of these committee and congregational members: Joan and Ronald Panuska (Sanctuary set-up/clean-up); Marjorie Meklin & Donna Wittmann (Children's Worship Kits); Virginia Claeys (Greeter Coordinator); D. Scott Smith (Usher Coordinator); Diane Manzo (Church Worship Communion Coordinator); Marilyn Rice (Parameters; Homebound Communion Coordinator; Funeral Coordinator); Dee D'Amore (Sanctuary Flower Coordinator); Celishia Scarpone (Special November Table Arrangement); Diane Sikora (Wedding Coordinator). Special thanks to our Session, Deacons, PW Organization, Jim McGuire, Sue Hankins, Randy Crate, Craig Lambie, Frank Jones, Communion Servers, Ushers, and many others not mentioned who tirelessly support us.

We go forth into the world to serve God in our daily lives as a continuation of our worship, ensuring that our work is our worship in the name of the Lord.

Respectfully submitted with Thanks &  
Praise In Christ Always,  
Deb Brendler  
Worship Committee Chair

### *Chancel Choir*

The Chancel Choir of Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church began with Director William Shoppell beginning his 36th year with the choir. Unfortunately, Bill suffered a stroke in February and was hospitalized and in rehab for several months. During that time, Sara Hoey, our faithful and outstanding organist became both conductor and accompanist. Through her efforts the choir continued to lead the music worship for the congregation. In May and through June, the choir was well prepared and directed by interim director Kason Jackson. While the personnel committee continued their search for a permanent new choir director following the resignation of Bill Shoppell, Sara Hoey once again stepped in to conduct and accompany the choir. On October 7, 2018 a performance by the chancel choir including former members and guests from the New Jersey Chamber Singers sang for the retirement service of Maestro Shoppell. Kason Jackson was guest conductor for that service. It was with great pleasure that I began service as the permanent choir director in October of 2018.

In addition to the anthems the choir sings most Sundays, we took pleasure in preparing special music for Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Christmas Eve. During Advent the choir presented Mark Hayes' "Gloria". The soloists for this work included Bernadette Burke and Jeron Stephens. "Gloria" was accompanied by the Showcase String Quartet and, of course, Sara Hoey on the organ. Special thanks to all the donors, including the Board of Deacons, who provided much of the funding for the quartet and soloists.

Additional thanks go to choir members who provided special music during the year, particularly in July and August. Those who shared their musical talents include Kevin Jasaitis, Jon Yount, Arlene Wacha, Donna Wittmann, Morgan Sarbello on flute and

Keith Reilly on piano.

The choir is always accepting new members! Singers do not have to be members of PPC or from a Presbyterian background. We are an accepting and open community of musicians of all ages and abilities who enjoy coming together every week to sing. The more singers in the choir, the higher quality music we can perform. Rehearsals are Thursdays 7:30-9pm. We welcome "drop ins" at any time and I am happy to answer any questions you have at [melaniedrewchambers@gmail.com](mailto:melaniedrewchambers@gmail.com)

Respectfully submitted,  
Melanie Chambers  
Chancel Choir Director

### *Choral Bells Choir*

The Choral Bells adds a unique musical experience to worship. The Choral Bells ring on various Sundays from September to June. The group rehearses from 6:15 to 7:15 on Monday evenings.

I was honored to be asked to become the Choral Bells Director this Fall and so glad to welcome several new members at the start of the new season. There are now 12 regular members of the Choral Bells.

New members or substitute ringers are always welcome. Middle school and high school students are also encouraged to giving ringing a try. Ringing handbells can be picked up just as readily by beginners as by seasoned musicians.

Morgan Sarbello  
Choral Bells Director