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## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Opening Prayer.... Rev. January Peavey

1. Approve Clerks report to last year's meeting
2. Nominating Committee Oral Report and Nominations
3. Election of Officers and Delegate to:
  - a. State
  - b. National
4. Appreciation of outgoing officers
5. Proposed Budget
6. Approval of financial reports
7. Approval of oral reports
8. Approval of written reports

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment

Closing Hymn singing together "I Am the Church"

**I Am the Church 217**

*Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house. I Pet. 2:5*

*Unison*

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to - geth-er!

All who fol-low Je-sus All a-round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth-er!

*Fine*

## **CLERKS REPORT – ANNUAL MEETING – JANUARY 19, 2025 – PAGE 1 of 3**

Meeting was opened by Jeff Creighton. Prayer was offered by Rev. Bette.

Thank you to the Ladies Circle for the beef stew luncheon.

Old Business: We have two new speakers for the sound system and two brackets donated by the Lawrences. The brackets and new speakers will be mounted on the wall. We can keep the current sound system and add an amplifier. Will plan to get that in March. Rev. Bette's microphone has been cutting out and she has been using the new microphone. Rev. Bette's microphone when used by the liturgist, the liturgist will have to get close to the microphone.

Mary Gammon would like to have something on the lawn at Christmas time to represent what Christmas is all about - a nativity or a sign that says "Jesus is the reason for the season".

January Peavey Dodge reported that there is water damage in the sanctuary. The cause is the vents in the roof and they need to be plugged.

Joe Cifaldo said that the carpet should be done at the same time if the pews are removed. The pews do not need to be removed. This is the second major project and this would be the time to do it. There is also a fan that needs to be addressed.

New Business: Bi-centennial. 200 years will be in 2028. Pat Weaver would like to have ideas. Do we celebrate one day, one month (February) or the whole year? Proposal to have a committee to discuss what to do. Those who will serve on that committee are:

Pat Weaver, Clint Lanphier, Wes Ames as Deacon, Tina Bryant and Gayle White. Noted that Niva Poland and Sandra Overlock could assist as well.

A lot of people volunteer their time. Patricia Overlock has been the flower person for a long time and would like to recognize her.

Rev. Bette reported that \$16,000 has been distributed from the Discretionary Fund. The rule has been to help a person or family only once a year as they have been getting so many requests. Requests for fuel assistance are sent to Homeworthy and to AIO. Reported that there is a couple living at the Travelers Motel who have a 14-month-old baby. The husband is working full time. His car is not running. The wife was working also, but is not able to now because she has no car. The cost at the motel is \$600 a week. Most of his paycheck goes to pay that. They have been going to the food pantry and to AIO. Their situation is unmanageable. Would like to have the Discretionary Fund and the Bowes Fund pool their resources to help this family get a serviceable car. Need to give a "hand up not a hand out". Motion made and seconded that we back Rev. Bette and help one family. The Bowes Fund will consider this situation and vote on it. After a vote, the motion passed.

Minutes of Meeting from 2023. Motion was made and seconded to accept as written. After a vote, the motion passed.

## **CLERKS REPORT – ANNUAL MEETING – JANUARY 19, 2025 – PAGE 2 of 3**

### **Nominating Committee:**

This is on page 7 of the Annual Report. Motion made and seconded to accept down through the Hospitality as presented. Pat Weaver is scheduled to go off the Historian Committee. Motion was made and seconded to add Pat Weaver to consider another term to the Historical Committee. After a vote, the motion passed.

Thank you was given to Eric Overlock for his time as a Deacon. Cindy Bland also gave a thank you to the nominating committee.

Betsy Vanner reported that if she is to serve as Deacon she will not be singing in the choir.

Motion made and seconded to accept the nominating committee report. After a vote, the motion passed.

**Delegates to State and National:** January Peavey Dodge was nominated to be the delegate to the National meeting.

**State:** Meeting will be in South Paris on May 3. Attending will be Kathy Lanphier, Pat Weaver as the alternate, and Carolyn Robinson.

**National:** Meeting is in St. Louis on June 21 - 24. Attending will be Marcia Cifaldo, Sharon Landry, Rev. Bette, Jonathan Dodge and January Peavey Dodge as the year-round delegate.

A motion was made and seconded to accept. After a vote, the motion passed.

**Budget:** The proposed budget is on pages 8, 9 and 10 of the Annual Report. Motion was made and seconded to accept the budget as proposed. After a vote, the motion passed. Noted that last year's budget was \$126,900 and this year's is \$127,507.

Appreciation of outgoing officers will be on a Sunday morning to be scheduled.

**Written Reports:** Motion was made and seconded to accept the annual reports as written. After a vote, the motion passed.

**Oral Reports:** None

Jeff Creighton reported that \$7,800 was budgeted for custodian. Karen Richards has been doing this as her offering to the church.

**Financial Reports:** Treasurer is not a paid position.

Mark Waltz asked if the building fund can be used to make repairs to the organ. Answer - it can be used and money can be donated to the building fund. The original gift was \$50,000. It is now worth \$63,000. Jeff will bring a copy of the letter to the next council meeting. We have a building fund limited to 5% and that can be used for anything to do with the building. Irene and Beverly suggested getting ahold of an organ company and get an idea of the cost. Irene will get in touch with them about that. It may also be eligible for Grant money.

## **CLERKS REPORT – ANNUAL MEETING – JANUARY 19, 2025 – PAGE 3 of 3**

Discussion of being charged 1/2% for family leave for Rev. Bette. The Trustees decided to pay it. We can opt out in April. We will still have to pay from January to April and we do not get that back. This is not in the budget. This would add another \$400 to the Rev. line.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports. After a vote, the motion passed.

Board of Education: No volunteers for superintendent. On the Board are Kathy Lanphier, Michelle Bradley and Becky Ruggieri. Decided that a Sunday School superintendent is not needed at this time.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. After a vote, the motion passed.

The meeting was closed at 1:20 p.m. With singing of "I am the Church".

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Lewis Church Clerk

## **PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT**

On June 8, 2025, our minister, Reverend Bette Bond, retired to her homestead in Indiana to assist with the care of her aging mother. A Farewell Fellowship luncheon was hosted by the Ladies Circle after church that day. Friends from the area also attended.

A Pastoral Search Committee (PSC) was formed and started holding Monday afternoon planning sessions almost immediately. We were blessed with a number of qualified applicants during the second half of 2025.

Second Congregational Church and the Pastoral Search Committee were also blessed to have Reverend January Peavey step forward with an offer to serve as interim minister. This certainly allowed the PSC the opportunity to search without pressure.

With the benefits of *Zoom* and *internet* available to the committee we were able to do preliminary interviews with a few applicants to help determine their abilities and character as a good match for Second Congregational Church.

We continued throughout the balance of the year to interview, research, and discuss applications. We are prayerful that 2026 will bring us the right applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bland, Marcia Cifaldo, Clint Lanphier, Sharon Landry and Carolyn Robinson

## 2025 – OFFICERS and BOARDS

### Trustees – 3-Year Term (5)

Jeff Creighton-Chair	2026
Irene Maxcy	2027
Sterling Robinson	2027
Marcia Cifaldo	2025
Sandra Overlock	2025

### Diaconate – 3-Year Term (7+)

Weston Ames - Chair	2026 ##
Michelle Bradley	2026
Sam Chapman * ****	2025
Tina Bryant *	2026 ##
Steve Davis	2027
Betty Davis	2027
Merle Vanner ***	2027
Betsy Vanner ***	2027

### Board of Education – 3-Year Term

Michelle Bradley	2026
Kathy Lanphier	2026

### Mission's/Memorial – 3-Year Term

Irene Maxcy	2026
Marcia Cifaldo	2025
Sharon Landry	2025
Valerie Miller	2026
Gayle White	2025

### Delegates to State

Kathy Lanphier	
Carolyn Robinson	
Pat Weaver	Alternate

### Delegates to National

Jonathan Dodge	
Sharon Landry	

### Nominated and Elected Annually

Moderator	Jeff Creighton
Assist. Moderator	Joseph Cifaldo
Clerk	Donna Lewis
Assist. Clerk	Melody Sainio
Treasurer	Patricia Weaver
Assist. Treasurer	January Peavey
Bowes Fund Treasurer	Patricia Weaver
Disc. Fund Treasurer	Patricia Weaver
Missions Treasurer	Irene Maxcy
Flower Chair	Kathy Lanphier
SS Superintendent	Open seat

### Pastoral Relations - 3-Year Term (5)

January Peavey	2026 - Chair
Weston Ames	2026 – Deacon ##
Carolyn Robinson	2026
Melody Sainio	2026
Jeff Creighton	2025 – Trustee

### Historians – 3-Year Term (3)

Sam Chapman	2026
Pat Weaver	2027

### Council Member at Large – 3-Year Term (2)

Clinton Lanphier	2027
Carolyn Robinson	2025

### Year-Round Delegate to National (1)

January Peavey
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### Hospitality Committee (3)

Tina Bryant ###
Patricia Overlock
Carolyn Robinson

### Council Chair (2025)

Weston Ames *****
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### Legend of fulfilling terms:

* Tina Bryant for Karen Carpenter (Deacon)
* Sam Chapman for Eric Overlock (Deacon)
** Sam Chapman for Linda Lent (Historian)
***Kathleen Borzelli for Betsy Vanner (Deacon)
***Carolyn Robinson for Merle Vanner (Deacon)
****Seat Open

*****Jeff Creighton for Weston Ames (Council Chair)
## Becky Ruggieri for Weston Ames (PRC Deacon)
## Susan Lombardo for Tina Bryant (Deacon)
## Becky Ruggieri for Weston Ames (Deacon)
### Hospitality Open Seat (Tina Bryant)
All fulfilling terms were nominated & elected at past Council meetings.

## **BOARDS and COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS – 2026**

**TRUSTEE** - Marcia Cifaldo - Sandra Overlock

**DEACON** - Zack Hobden

**BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – SUPERINTENDENT** - Monique Hobden

**MISSIONS / MEMORIAL COMMITTEE** - Marcia Cifaldo - Gayle White - Sharon Landry

**CHURCH MODERATOR** - Joseph Cifaldo

**SECOND CHAIR CHURCH MODERATOR** - David Landry

**CHURCH CLERK** - Donna Lewis

**ASSISTANT CHURCH CLERK** - Melody Sainio

**TREASURER (All church accounts/Bowes Fund/Discretionary Fund)** - Patricia Weaver

**ASSISTANT TREASURER** - Walter Kaler

**FLOWER CHAIR** - Kathy Lanphier

**HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE** - Kathy Lanphier – Patricia Overlock - Carolyn Robinson

**HISTORIAN** - Open seat (1)

**COUNCIL MEMBER AT LARGE** - Carolyn Robinson

**PASTORAL RELATIONS** - Jeff Creighton - (Open) (1) not on board or committee

**DELEGATE TO STATE** - Kathy Lanphier - Carolyn Robinson - Alternate (Open)

**DELEGATE TO NATIONAL** - (Open) (2)

**YEAR-ROUND DELEGATE TO NATIONALS** - (Open) (1)

We thank everyone for their dedication and continued stewardship to SCCW.

2025 Nominating Committee

Clinton Lanphier, Betty Davis, Jeff Creighton, Walter Kaler, Mark Waltz

# 2026 PROPOSED BUDGET

## 60000-REVEREND:

Salary	\$30,000 D
<b>TOTAL.</b>	<b>\$30,000 D</b>

## 61000-CHURCH:

Electricity.	\$3,500 I
Lawn Care.	1,200 S
Maintenance.	10,000 I
Heating Oil.	7,000 I
Plowing & Sanding.	1,500 S
Sewer	200 S
Sexton Supplies.	500 S
Water.	450 I
Workman's Comp	860 I
Church Insurance.	7,500 I
Sexton/Custodian.	\$15.25HR (I) 5,000D
<b>TOTAL.</b>	<b>\$37,710 I</b>

## 62000-MUSIC:

Organist/Pianist.	\$9,800 D
Supply Pianist	1,500 I
Organ/Piano Repair/Tune.	1,000 S
Sheet Music	100 S
Education/Misc	500 S
CCLI.	260 D
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,160 D</b>

## 63000-OUTREACH:

Advertising & Mailings.	\$500 D
Website.	425 I
Signage.	120 S
Misc.	150 S
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,045 D</b>

## 2025 FINAL ADJUSTED BUDGET

## 2026 PROPOSED BUDGET

D-decrease I-increase S-same N-new

## 64000-BOARD OF ED:

Materials & Curriculum	\$500 D
PF Groups.	.00 S
Confirmation Class.	.00 S
Nursery Attendant	250 S
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$750 D</b>

## 65000-OFFICE:

Administrator.	\$15.25HR (I) \$7,500 D
Supplies, Ink, Paper.	500 S
Postage & Box	800 I
Telephone & Internet	1,700 S
<b>TOTAL.</b>	<b>\$10,500 I</b>

## 66000-TREASURER:

Payroll Service	\$400 I
Payroll Taxes	.00 S
Offering, Checks, Envelopes.	250 I
Review & Support.	100 S
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$750 I</b>

## 68000-MISCELLANEOUS:

Minister to National.	\$2000 S
Delegates to National	2,000 S
Supply Minister	800 S
Minister Education.	150 D
NACCC/Fair Share.	.00 S
Historian Supplies.	150 I
Worship Supplies.	100 S
Fellowship Supplies.	100 D
Pastoral Search.	1,000 N
Misc.	400 I
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,700 I</b>

**\$127,507**

**\$100,615**

**Second Congregational Church of Warren**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of January 9, 2026

	Jan 9, 26
▶ ASSETS	93,602.23
▼ LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
▼ Equity	
32000 · Retained Earnings	55,866.69 ▶
▼ 35000 · Funds	
35030 · Men's Club	525.89
35050 · Sunday School Fund	1,527.90
35055 · Youth Activities	49.48
35070 · Bell and Chime Choir	346.28
35080 · Music/Choir Program	669.30
35085 · Youth Music Theater	310.33
35145 · Missions	273.00
35160 · Confirmation Class	50.36
35165 · Flower Fund	702.07
35180 · Maintenance Fund	12,249.51
35500 · Building Fund	6,975.00
36000 · Memorial Funds	1,151.49
36500 · Michael Moore Fund	200.00
37000 · Miscellaneous	13,500.00
35000 · Funds - Other	8.09
Total 35000 · Funds	<u>38,538.70</u>
Net Income	-803.16
Total Equity	93,602.23
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>93,602.23</u></b>

**BUDGET ANALYSIS – 2025 – 2026 – Page 1 of 3**

		Budget 2025		Spent 2025				Budget 2026
<b>61000-Reverend</b>								
Salary	\$	35,400.00	\$	25,011.06			D	\$ 17,000.00
Housing	\$	19,600.00	\$	13,646.08			D	\$ 13,000.00
SS/Med	\$	4,208.00						
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>59,208.00</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>38,657.14</b>			<b>D</b>	<b>\$ 30,000.00</b>
<b>62000-Church</b>								
Electricity	\$	3,000.00	\$	2,750.00			I	\$ 3,500.00
Lawn Care	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00			S	\$ 1,200.00
Maintenance	\$	5,000.00	\$	1,763.03			I	\$ 10,000.00
Oil	\$	6,500.00	\$	7,070.60			I	\$ 7,000.00
Plowing &	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,320.00			S	\$ 1,500.00
Sanding Sewer	\$	200.00	\$	192.00			S	\$ 200.00
Sexton Supplies	\$	500.00	\$	400.00			S	\$ 500.00
Water	\$	350.00	\$	400.00			I	\$ 450.00
Workman's	\$	600.00	\$	996.00			I	\$ 860.00
Comp Church	\$	7,000.00	\$	7,027.00			I	\$ 7,500.00
Insurance Custodian	\$	7,800.00	\$	625.00	\$ 15.25	I/D	\$ 5,000.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>33,650.00</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,743.63</b>			<b>I</b>	<b>\$ 37,710.00</b>

		BUDGET 2025		SPENT 2025				BUDGET 2026
Nursery	\$	250.00	\$	0.00				\$ 250.00
Total	\$	1,000.00	\$	70.63			D	\$ 750.00
65000-Office								
Administrator	\$	7800.00	\$	7,000.00	\$	15.25	I/D	\$ 7,500.00
Supplies/Ink/	\$	500.00	\$	200.00			S	\$ 500.00
Paper Postage/Box	\$	500.00	\$	824.00			I	\$ 800.00
Rent Telephone/	\$	1650.00	\$	1,701.28			I	\$ 1,700.00
Internet Total	\$	10,450.00	\$	9,725.28			I	\$ 10,500.00
66000-Treasurer								
Payroll Service	\$	400.00	\$	390.00			S	\$ 400.00
Payroll Taxes-	\$	0.00	\$	130.00			S	\$ 0.00
PFML Offering	\$	170.00	\$	200.00			I	\$ 250.00
Envelopes Review/Support	\$	100.00	\$	100.00			S	\$ 100.00
Total	\$	670.00	\$	820.00			I	\$ 750.00
67000-Misc.								
Minister to	\$	2000.00	\$	645.00			S	\$ 2,000.00
National Delegate	\$	2,000.00	\$	3,355.00			S	\$ 2,000.00
National Supply Minister	\$	800.00	\$	2,725.00			S	\$ 800.00
Minister	\$	300.00	\$	24.37			D	\$ 150.00

		BUDGET 2025		SPENT 2025				BUDGET 2026
Education NACCC/Fair	\$	0.00	\$	0.00			\$	0.00
Share Historian	\$	0.00	\$	150.00			I	\$ 150.00
Supplies Worship	\$	100.00	\$	0.00			S	\$ 100.00
Supplies Fellowship	\$	150.00	\$	50.33			D	\$ 100.00
Supplies Miscellaneous	\$	250.00	\$	420.87			I	\$ 400.00
Pastoral Search	\$	0.00	\$	770.36			I	\$ 1,000.00
Total	\$	5,600.00	\$	8,140.93			I	\$ 6,700.00
Total Budget	\$ 127,507.00	\$ 93,458.57					D	\$ 100,615.00

## **PASTOR REPORT – ANNUAL MEETING – 2025 – PAGE 1 of 3**

**Annual Pastoral Report for the Year 2025 Submitted by:** Rev. January Peavey, Interim Pastor

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### **Introduction**

The year 2025 has been a period of transition, growth, and continued ministry for our church community. We honor and give thanks for the faithful service of our beloved Rev. Bette, who retired in June after many years of dedicated pastoral leadership. It has been my blessing and privilege to be called and voted in as your interim pastor beginning in September. This report summarizes the pastoral activities, accomplishments, and ongoing ministries during this significant year.

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### **Pastoral Leadership Transition**

- In June 2025, we celebrated the retirement of Rev. Bette, whose leadership and spiritual guidance have left a lasting impact on our congregation. We marked her final Sunday with a special celebration including cake and flowers in appreciation of her years of service.
- Beginning in September 2025, I was honored to be voted in as the interim pastor. Since then, I have committed myself to serving the spiritual and practical needs of our church family, seeking to provide continuity, care, and encouragement during this transition.

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### **Professional Development**

- To better serve our congregation, I completed a college course and became a certified Christian counselor. This training equips me to offer enhanced pastoral care and counseling to members facing life's challenges.

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### **Worship and Service**

- I have prepared and led worship services throughout the year, including meaningful celebrations such as weddings, Thanksgiving Eve, Advent, and Christmas services.
- Collaborated with church musicians and leadership to plan services that emphasize discipleship, God's faithfulness, and community connection.
- Revived the Midweek Morsel email communications to provide ongoing spiritual nourishment and updates to our members.
- Worked closely with the Deacons and other committees to prepare for special services such as All Saints Sunday and Christmas Eve.
- Attended memorial services and participated as requested.

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### **Pastoral Care and Congregational Support**

- Conducted numerous home visits, including visits with communion to members in hospice and those unable to attend worship.
- Provided counseling sessions to individuals and couples, including premarital counseling for weddings conducted outside the church.

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- Maintained regular contact with church members through phone calls, cards, and personal visits, particularly reaching out to those who had not attended services recently.
- Assisted in diffusing tensions within the church community, fostering reconciliation and unity.
- Participated in community events such as Pen Bay Ministries dinner and shared fellowship with various church groups including the Sharing & Caring sisters.

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### **Administrative and Communication Efforts**

- Set up a welcoming and efficient office space to support pastoral and administrative functions.
- Authored the Pastor's Point of View articles for the church newsletter, providing inspirational messages and updates.
- Managed the church's discretionary fund with care and compassion, helping members in financial need. This ongoing outreach has been critical in addressing urgent needs, with housing continuing to be the most significant challenge for those we serve. \*Our allocated funds were \$3,800; we spent approximately \$12,776.58 to help others in need. Thanks to the generosity of our congregation!
- Coordinated mailings for birthday cards, thinking-of-you cards, and special notices to maintain connection within the congregation.
- Addressed and resolved technical issues affecting church communications, including an email scam attempt.
- Developed and led a membership class to welcome new members and deepen their understanding of our church and Congregationalism.
- Sent card offering Congratulations to Dixfield Church, as they called a minister that was being ordained and installed in January.

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### **Community Outreach and Mission**

- Our church continues to be a beacon of hope in the surrounding community through the discretionary fund, which has provided vital assistance for housing, utilities, and other essential needs.
- Collaborated with local organizations and ministries to coordinate community dinners and support services.
- Engaged in ongoing dialogue with Sunday school coordinators and mission committees to strengthen educational and outreach programs.
- Actively participated in the Advent missions and Holiday giving missions with the church body.

## **PASTOR REPORT – ANNUAL MEETING – 2025 – PAGE 3 of 3**

- I continue to work closely with Travelers Motel in Warren, where we assist many individuals with temporary housing. In addition to collaborating with the motel staff to carefully vet those requesting help, I have also recognized the importance of providing personal care items such as hygiene products, towels, blankets, and pillows. These essentials are needed not only by the guests staying at the motel but also help support the motel's ability to serve those in need effectively.

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### **Meetings and Leadership Participation**

- Actively participated in council meetings, trustee meetings, board of education, and Deacon meetings.
- Attended the CCCME state meeting to stay connected with broader denominational activities and resources.

### **Conclusion**

This year of transition has been marked by both challenges and blessings. I am deeply grateful for the trust placed in me to serve as interim pastor and for the continued support and partnership of our church leadership and congregation. Together, we have upheld our mission to provide spiritual guidance, care, and outreach to both our members and the wider community. As we look forward to the coming year, we remain committed to walking faithfully in God's path, addressing critical needs such as housing, and nurturing a vibrant, loving church family.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and collaboration in ministry.

**“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ”**  
**– Galatians 6:2**

Rev. January Peavey  
Interim Pastor

December 2025

### **Pastoral Relations Committee Annual Report**

As Former Chair of the Pastoral Relations Committee (PRC), I am pleased to present this annual report reflecting on our work and key moments over the past year, particularly as we transitioned from the leadership of Rev. Bette to the interim pastoral period.

### **Meeting Overview and Focus**

Our committee was comprised of five members. Those members: Wes Ames, Jeff Creighton, January Peavey, Carolyn Robinson, Melody Sainio.

We met with Rev. Bette in January and then in May, as a debrief before her retirement.

Our meetings this year were marked by a spirit of reflection, gratitude, and forward-looking hope. We began each meeting with prayer, led by committee members such as January, to set a tone of spiritual grounding and purpose.

A significant focus of our discussions was our final meeting with Rev. Bette before her retirement. This meeting was conducted in a relaxed and casual atmosphere, providing an opportunity to honor her leadership and consider the committee's role in supporting the church's future pastoral leadership.

### **Key Discussion Points**

- Communication Effectiveness** The committee engaged in thoughtful dialogue about how to enhance communication within the PRC and with the broader congregation. Members expressed a strong desire to improve how we support the next minister and ensure open, ongoing lines of communication. Rev. Bette emphasized the importance of maintaining this openness and encouraged the committee to continue offering support and encouragement to pastoral leadership.
- Gratitude for Rev. Bette's Leadership** We expressed deep gratitude for Rev. Bette's dedicated service over the past five years. Her leadership has been a blessing to our community, fostering spiritual awakenings and encouraging both individual and collective faith journeys. Her presence will be greatly missed, yet we acknowledge the lasting positive impact she has made.
- Support for Community Needs** Throughout the year, Rev. Bette's work responding to community requests for assistance demonstrated her exemplary stewardship. She managed a high volume of requests, sometimes receiving multiple calls in a single day, and carefully vetted requests to allocate resources responsibly. Her meticulous record-keeping ensured that aid was prioritized to those who had not yet received support, reflecting our committee's commitment to fairness and compassion.
- Support for Rev. Bette** Recognizing the emotional demands of her role, particularly the challenge of turning some people away, the committee inquired about how best to support Rev. Bette. She demonstrated resilience and strength, and the group reaffirmed its commitment to support her through prayer and practical assistance, ensuring she did not bear the burden alone.

**5. Future Guidance** As we look forward to the search for a new seated pastor, the committee expressed confidence that God will provide discernment and clarity throughout this process. We commit to upholding the values of open communication and support during this transition.

### **Chair's Reflection**

The committee is guided by the wisdom of Proverbs 3:5-6:

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”

This verse encapsulates our approach as we navigate change and continue our mission of service.

### **Next Steps**

- Maintain and strengthen open communication channels within the committee and with church leadership.
- Continue offering prayerful and practical support to pastoral leadership during this transitional period.
- Ensure responsible stewardship of resources to meet community needs effectively.
- Prepare actively for the search and integration of a new seated pastor.

### **Conclusion**

This past year has been one of transition, reflection, and steadfast commitment. The Pastoral Relations Committee remains dedicated to supporting our pastoral leadership and serving our community with compassion and responsibility. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Rev. Bette for her remarkable service and to all committee members for their ongoing contributions.

Our meetings adjourned with a spirit of hope and readiness for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

January M. Peavey

Former Chair, Pastoral Relations Committee

### **MEMBERS AT LARGE – 2025**

As stated in SCCW By-laws, “A Member-at-large of the Church Council is a spokesperson for the people of the Church. They act as a representative for the general membership. Their focus should be on how any policies and procedures the Church Council wishes to enact will affect these members and to raise concerns if the membership suffers in any way. They shall have voting privileges.”. We are the voice of the congregation, bringing any concerns you may have to the church council.

Respectfully,  
Carolyn Robinson  
Clinton Lanphier

## **TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

The past year brought much change to SCCW. In June, Rev. Bette retired and moved back to Indiana to care for her mother. While a change in the pastorate always comes with challenges, the Church was fortunate to fill the pulpit while a search for an interim was conducted. In August our own January Peavey was called as Interim pastor. While the Pulpit Search Committee continues its work, our church is truly blessed to have January's love and leadership in the pulpit.

In early September, Beverly Pacheco resigned as our Music Minister. The Trustees would like to thank Beverly for her years of service and hard work at SCCW.

Our Church is fortunate and the Trustees are grateful for Karen Richards donating her time as custodian. A change in her business schedule forced her to give up the custodian position. Many thanks to Sue Lombardo for stepping up and filling the void.

The Church finished 2025 in a strong position financially. With a 2025 Proposed Budget of \$127,507, total expenditures came in at only \$93,458. Much of this difference is due to the staff changes during the year. Due to these lower expenses, only \$19,500 of the \$33,000 that was allowed from the investment account was used for operating expenses. In late December the trustees decided to take the balance of \$13,500 and set it aside for future pulpit search expenses. The trustees are proposing a budget for 2026 of \$100,615.

The year end value and the 5% allowed from the four investment accounts in 2026 are listed below.

Church Account	\$843,633	5%	\$34,028
Bowes Fund	\$474,604	5%	\$17,600
Discretionary Fund.	\$99,368	5%	\$3,962
Building Fund	\$74,771	5%	\$2,890

At years end the Church was truly blessed with a gift of \$35,000, three \$5,000 gifts and one \$1,000 gift for a total of \$51,000. These gifts speak volumes about how much people care about our Church and their optimism for its future.

While the pace of maintenance projects has slowed considerably over the last few years, there are multiple projects the Trustees will be looking to address in the coming year.

1. Repaving the front walkway: This was scheduled to happen in 2025 but ran out of time, so this should be completed by early summer.
2. With the roof vents now covered thanks to Albert Doherty, the ceiling stains in the sanctuary can now be fixed.
3. Extensive gutter and downspout work. This should be top priority in 2026.
4. Repairs to the Upper Room emergency exit door and the floor under it.
5. Sandblast and paint the fire escape.
6. Replace the Fellowship Room exterior door and push bar.

The Trustees would like to thank the Staff, Pulpit Search Comm. and the long list of volunteers for another successful trip around the Son at SCCW.

Respectfully submitted with God's help:

Sterling Robinson, Sandra Overlock, Irene Maxcy, Jeff Creighton and Marcia Cifaldo

## **DIACONATE ANNUAL REPORT – 2025 – PAGE 1 of 2**

January – Melody Sainio was elected Assistant Church Clerk at the Annual Congregational meeting and by default becomes the Deacon clerk.

February – Assistant clerk absent at meeting, no notes were recorder and nothing to report.

March – The Deacons reviewed the duties of opening and closing the church. Intinction will be held on Maundy Thursday. Intinction will also be held in months that have five (5) Sundays.

April – The pieces of bread used for communion, will be cut larger when the church is having intinction for the service. The workings of Holy Week were reviewed with Rev. Bette. The liturgists will now be making the announcements in church.

May – The Deacons will remove the brass from the sanctuary during the last hymn of the Communion Service. The purchase of a new piano for the sanctuary was discussed. The Deacons discussed the difference between an Interim Minister and a substitute minister. A questionnaire will be written and sent out to all church members asking what attributes each person would like to have in a minister.

June – Rev. Bette Bond retired from SCCW and returned to her hometown Indiana. Her absence is greatly felt, we wish her well. She will, however, represent the Second Congregational Church at the Annual NACCC in June. January will graduate from the Theology Program at the annual NACCC Meeting. The original chairs from the sanctuary will be repaired at the prison.

July – Searches for fill-in ministers and an interim minister have begun.

August – Church members commented that the repaired/reupholstered chairs in the sanctuary are “beautiful and wonderful.” The Board discussed moving Diaconate meetings to after church on Sundays. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. Music director Beverly Pacheco submitted her resignation and a search began to fulfil her position.

September – January has been chosen as the Interim Minister for the church. The Diaconate discussed the situation with the placement of the old chairs. A vote will be held after church on September 7, 2025 regarding placement of the old and new chairs. The Diaconate voted to change their meetings to the second Sunday of the month at 11:30 am.

October – January has given her notice to the North Deering Church. There is an opening on the Pastoral Relations Committee. The search continues to fill the music ministers position, we are fortunate to have a list of highly capable fill-ins.

November – Amanda Field will present a Mission Moment for Pen Bay Ministries next week. A Mission Moment for Homeworthy will be presented on November 30<sup>th</sup>. The Advent Mission Offering will go to Homeworthy. A \$100 donation will be given to Pen Bay Ministries towards the Thanksgiving meal at the Masonic Hall. The Christmas tree in the sanctuary is in need of replacement. Susan will loan a tree for this year and a new one will be purchased after Christmas. A new creche has been donated in Mary Gammon’s memory. The Congregational Church Christmas Eve service will begin at 4:30 pm.

## **DIACONATE ANNUAL REPORT – 2025 – PAGE 2 of 2**

December - The next membership class will be held on January 10, 2026. New members will be inducted on January 18, 2026. The new manger scene, purchased in memory of Mary Gammon, is in the sanctuary. Zoe and Jack have been assisting with the offering during the service. Monique offered to be the Sunday School Superintendent once she has joined the church. The Deacons will pass the communion in "harmony." Each section will walk side by side. A candidate has been selected as a music minister/director. We will be meeting with him after the first of the year.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Melody V. Sainio - Assistant Church Clerk

## **DIACONATE TREASURERS REPORT – 2025**

**OPENING BALANCE - \$1661.05**

<b>INCOME</b>		<b>EXPENSES</b>	
January	\$ 99.08	APR. Deacon Name tags	\$ 60.06
February	83.07	Love offering/Rev. January	100.00
March	105.07	Palms	45.57
April	123.09	MAY Anna's Birthday	54.25
May	50.08	Flowers for Baptism/Mother's Day	174.60
June	130.07	Brass Polish	5.49
July	53.07	Stole for January's Ordination	98.94
August	83.07	Baptism Towels	37.74
September	100.08	AUG. Ande's gift card	25.00
October	110.08	OCT. Deacon Name tags	20.02
November	63.08	Liturgical Calendars	15.86
December	60.08	Flowers for Beverly	68.58
		NOV. Pen Bay Ministries	100.00
		DEC. Christmas Tree	75.05
		Christmas Wreaths	60.00
		Christmas Bows	107.03
		Advent candles	26.32
		Deacon name tags	19.26
Total Income	\$1059.92	Total Expenses	\$1093.77

**2025 CLOSING BALANCE | \$1627.20**

Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Bradley, Treasurer

## **MISSIONS FINANCIAL REPORT – 2025 – PAGE 1 of 2**

Balance Year Ending 2024	\$2,782.63
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### **DEPOSITS:**

Mission Offering	9,741.00
Interest	.74
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,741.74</b>

### **DONATIONS for 2025:**

WBC (\$100/month for CCE room use at the Brick School)	1,200.00
CCE expenses	94.54
Homeworthy (Advent 2024)	1,000.00
Area Interfaith Outreach	624.00
Bread for the Journey	600.00
Love offering	350.00
NACCC/OGHS/CA wildfires	1,000.00
NACCC/Cameroon	500.00
New Hope Midcoast	500.00
CCCME	250.00
Transfiguration Hermitage (Rev. Bette's honor)	500.00
Partners in Development/Haiti	480.00
Waldoboro Ambulance (Memory Bradley Miller)	100.00
Midcoast Habitat for Humanity	1,000.00
Boothbay V.E.T.	1,000.00
NACCC/OGHS/TX/Milwaukee	1,000.00
Special Olympics	100.00
Riverside Fellowship Scholarship Fund (Memory Linda Kaler)	500.00
Exodus Road	500.00
Coastal Opportunities	500.00
Rockland District Nursing	250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,048.54</b>

Balance Year Ending	\$475.83
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In addition to the \$12,048.54 as designated above, \$1,825 was collected for the Discretionary Fund during Lent and \$876 was raised for Area Interfaith Outreach during the benefit concert in May.

**TOTAL Mission giving in 2025 was \$14,749.54**

## **MISSIONS ANNUAL REPORT – 2025 – PAGE 2 of 2**

The Mission Board thanks all the members and friends for their faithful giving in 2025. Our funding comes from all of you, not from the general church offering. We have no endowment funds, as the Discretionary Fund and the Bowes Fund have. If you wish to make a donation to Missions, you must specify that on your weekly offering envelopes, on a special Mission envelope, or on the memo line of your check. We were able to give away nearly \$15,000 in 2025 and the thanks goes to you, our generous congregation!

Our Advent offering for 2025 will go to The Landing Place, the youth arm of Homeworthy. We also collected much needed items for them throughout the Advent season. Again, thank you for filling our baskets beyond our expectations. You are truly a giving congregation!

Our hope for the year 2026 is to continue to support ministries close to home, but also to look beyond our own community to help our NACCC Missions and OGHS in disaster areas. Together we can do so much more!

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Maxcy, Mission Treasurer

Marcia Cifaldo, Sharon Landry, Valerie Miller and Gayle White, Mission Board Members

## **CHILDREN'S CLOTHING EXCHANGE ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

We had a great mission this last year. It is a blessing to be able to help families in this way, by providing clothes, coats, and toys that make an immediate difference in their daily lives.

We especially focus on maintaining a steady and reliable supply of quality clothing. Clothing donations are always welcome, as are volunteers to help.

We average about a dozen families each Thursday at the Brick School Community Center from 9 to 11am. Many of our visitors are familiar faces who rely on our support, while others are new families who have only recently discovered that we are here to help. Even though our time together is limited to just two hours each week, the impact of those hours is significant and deeply felt.

My personal thanks to the volunteers who help with this mission each week, sorting, tagging, hanging and seasonal turnovers. Their dedication is greatly appreciated. And for all the donations of clothing, some generously donated by Sweet Peas in Rockland and delivered by church angels. And thank you to our Missions committee for their financial support throughout the year enabling us to maintain our space.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Lombardo

## **DISCRETIONARY FUND ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT – 2025**

Portfolio--\$99,368.00	5%---\$3,800	Taken--\$3,800
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Beginning Balance-January 1, 2025 -----		\$375.94
Deposits-----		\$14,785.00
Vanguard Deposit-----		\$3,800.00
Interest-----		-1.39
Checks order-----		\$29.00
Checks Written-----		\$12,776.58
Balance as of December 31, 2025		\$6,156.75

## **MICHAEL MOORE FUND ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT – 2025**

<u>Balance January 1, 2025</u>	<u>\$7,684.35</u>
Balance in Restricted Savings	\$200.00
Investment Income for 2025	\$1,292.00
Balance as of December 31, 2025	\$9,176.35

## **BOWES FUND FINANCIAL REPORT – 2025**

Portfolio--\$474,604	5%--\$16,900	Taken--\$3,000
Balance January 1, 2025		\$3,593.87
Vanguard		\$3,000.00
<u>Checks Written</u>		<u>\$3,041.00</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2025		\$3,552.87

## **BOWES FUND COMMITTEE REPORT – 2025**

2025 was a quiet but meaningful year for the Bowes Fund. We were able to assist several individuals with essential needs such as utilities and heating oil, in accordance with the last will and intentions of Inez and Hamlin Bowes, who entrusted these funds to support the poor and needy residents of Warren.

As directors of the Bowes Fund, every request for assistance is carefully reviewed and thoughtfully discussed among the board. We take the time to understand the unique circumstances of each situation, and after thorough consideration, we vote on whether to approve the request and determine the appropriate level of aid. This process ensures that our giving is both responsible and effective.

All approved requests are then signed off by a trustee from SCCW, adding an additional layer of accountability and transparency to our work.

The board remains committed to meeting quarterly—or more often if needed—to carry out the responsibilities entrusted to us through the Bowes family's will. We continue to strive to make a positive impact on our community and to support those facing hardship.

In Christian Spirit,

Mark Waltz, Chair  
Bob Barrett  
Eric Overlock  
Susan Lombardo  
Carolyn Robinson, Secretary

## **LADIES SOCIAL CIRCLE ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

Ladies Circle is recessed the months of January and February. But in January we provided a beef stew luncheon for the church annual meeting and in February we hosted a reception for the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday for Carole Starr. March was our annual meeting and the election of officers. The following were elected to serve for the year: President: Cindy Bland, Vice-President: Gayle White, Secretary: Carole Starr, Treasurer: Patty Ott, and Member at Large: Aleta Mank. By laws were read, dues were due. We also welcomed 2 new members, Melody Sainio and Jenina Wood. Cindy presented some ideas for the coming year.

April: on Maundy Thursday we filled and distributed 14 bruit baskets to shut-ins. We also furnished refreshments for the celebration of life for Lois Sillaway.

May 31: we provided refreshments for a reception for January Peavey who was ordained as a minister that day.

June 8: after church we hosted a farewell reception for Rev. Bette with help from all the church groups. We also held a Beach Basket raffle on Warren Day. After our June meeting we motored to the Rockport Diner for a nice meal and fellowship. At our July meeting we discussed getting aprons to wear for receptions, etc. Voted to go ahead with it and Melody and Aleta will take on the project. By August we had our beautiful blue aprons with white letter on the bib.

October: we hosted 2 celebrations of life receptions, one for the Davis/Britto family for their parents and a luncheon for the Kaler/Lufkin family for Linda.

November: we had our Holly Berry Fair which was again very successful. However, we are considering downsizing.

December: we had our Christmas party after our meeting. We enjoyed a catered luncheon of chicken pot pie and a pumpkin roll for dessert. We also had fun playing a couple of games and one we paid for things we did or didn't do and the proceeds went to the Warren Food Pantry. We also gave our annual stipends to the minister, treasurer, secretary and sexton.

During the year we hosted coffee hour after church the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, and furnished pies for the church supper in May, June and July. We meet the first Monday of each month at 10:00am and all ladies are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Starr, Secretary

## **LADIES SOCIAL CIRCLE ANNUAL TREASURER REPORT – 2025**

Opening Balance	\$ 9,064.72
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**Income:**

Dues	65.00
Missions	100.00
Pennies	100.00
Receptions	600.00
Warren Day Raffle	165.00
Holly Berry Fair	2666.50
CD# 2	4236.01
In mem. M. Gamon	25.00
Donation Jordan Family	100.00
Interest	3.52
	<u>\$ 8,061.03</u>
	\$ 17,125.75

**Expenses:**

Annual Meeting stew	201.50
January's gift	100.00
Raffle Basket (Warren Day)	106.02
Reception expenses	423.87
Christmas Gifts	200.00
Fruit Baskets (Easter)	63.19
CD #2	6236.01
CD# 1	2000.00
Christmas Luncheon	150.00
Aprons	179.18
Sec. Ink cartridge	40.00
HB Fair (start up & Exp. )	979.33
Tables/Chairs	1603.52
RADA	148.70
SCC Room Rent	150.00
Fair Kids kit	55.42
Vacation Bible School	50.00
Roaster	84.34
Charity Gifts (oil,gift cards)	600.00
	<u>\$ 13,371.08</u>

December 31, 2025	Checking Closing balance	\$ 3,754.67
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CD #1 \$3,013.29

CD #2 \$6,383.98

Respectfully submitted



Patricia E. Ott, Treasurer

## **CARING and SHARING SISTERS ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

And so ends another year of Caring and Sharing, yet in truth, our work never ends. We continue to help where help is needed, to serve as beacons of light within our congregation, and to faithfully care and share. As we close another year, we give thanks for the fellowship, service, and encouragement shared among the Caring and Sharing Sisters. This year has been marked by growth in our relationships, generosity in our outreach, and joy in every gathering.

Although scheduling challenges prevented us from hosting the annual Spring Fling in 2025, we look forward with hope and enthusiasm to bringing it back in 2026—possibly with new and exciting ideas.

It's well known, many of our events are centered around food—Sunday morning fellowship, public suppers, and special event luncheons. *Ecclesiastes 3:12-13* reminds us..."there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God." Our mission is not only to glorify the Lord; it is also to nurture fellowship; strengthen our bonds and remind us of the joy we share in serving together. Our goals are simple yet powerful, to bring people together.

This past fall, thanks to a generous donation, we were able to host a lasagna luncheon that was both well attended and warmly received. Many have expressed how much they miss our traditional Harvest Supper, and we will be discussing plans in the coming months to bring it back in the fall of 2026. As well as perhaps bringing back our Spring soup supper and auction or possibly, BINGO! Lots to discuss in 2026.

This past year brought many losses to our community, and among them we especially feel the absence created by Rev. Bette's retirement. She was a true sister and mentor to us, and we deeply valued her guidance, wisdom, and unwavering support. We miss her dearly, yet we also wish her every joy in the new chapter of her life. As we look ahead, we do so with open hearts, trusting that new and inspiring spiritual guidance will emerge—whatever that may be. For now, we are truly blessed and thankful for the light and presence of Rev. January.

In early December, we worked with Becky Ruggieri in hosting the Kids Christmas shopping spree. Although dampened by inclement weather, we still had over 20 children in attendance. The event was held in the upstairs fellowship and proved to be a better spot for the activity. Many children left with free gifts in their hands and smiles on their faces. Next year we are thinking about Breakfast with Santa. Be watching for details. We are very thankful for all the donations and generosity of the congregation and thanks to those who helped put it all together.

We give thanks to God for His faithfulness and for the love that binds us together. The Caring and Sharing Sisters remains committed to living out our name—caring for one another and sharing His love with the world. As always, membership is always open. Just ask.

Respectfully and in Sincere Sisterly love,

Carolyn Robinson  
President, Caring and Sharing Sisters

## **CARING and SHARING SISTERS TREASURER REPORT – 2025**

<b>BALANCE OPENING</b>	<b>\$3379.89</b>
<b>INCOME:</b>	
Kitty Fund Jar	\$ 154.00
Public Suppers	2182.00
Bingo	52.00
Misc.	111.40
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>\$2499.40</b>
	<b>\$5879.29</b>
<b>DONATIONS:</b>	
Building Fund (Mary Gammon)	\$ 100.00
Warren Library Basket Raffle	100.00
Riverside Scholarship (Linda Kaler)	100.00
Warren Food Pantry (Sally Edwards)	100.00
Gift Basket (Linda Kaler)	47.97
Waldoboro Ambulance (Brad Miller)	100.00
Andwill Health Center (Harlean Jordan)	100.00
Rev. Betty Bond (Gifts)	260.65
Hotel Room (Karen Carpenter)	152.40
Graduation Gift (January Peavey)	100.00
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS:</b>	<b>\$1161.02</b>
	<b>\$4718.27</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Aprons	\$ 94.92
Checks	29.00
Church Cakes	130.70
Bingo Luncheon	177.27
Public Suppers	86.11
Lasagna Luncheon	137.24
End of year Luncheon	475.30
Sanda Suit Cleaning (2024)	23.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$1153.54</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE 2025:</b>	<b>\$3564.73</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Lombardo, C&S Treasurer

## **RIVERSIDE FELLOWSHIP SCHOLARSHIP FUND FINANCIAL REPORT – 2025**

CHECKING BALANCE (BSB) 1-1-2025 \$ 271.31

ADDITIONS:

DONATIONS – IN MEMORY OF \$ 1,655.00  
LINDA KALER

TRANSFER FROM  
INVESTMENT ACCT. \* \$ 3,000.00

INTEREST \$ .57  
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TOTAL ADDITIONS \$ 4,655.57

SUBTRACTIONS:

3 SCHOLARSHIPS PAID \$ (3,000.00)

CHECKING BALANCE (BSB) 12-31-2025 \$ 1,926.88

SCHOLARSHIP INVESTMENT ACCT BALANCE 09-30-2024 \$ 14,234.20  
PRIMERICA= INVESCO CORP BOND-EQUITY & INCOME

WITHDRAWAL TO CHECKING \* 2-4-2025 (\$ 3,000.00)

INCOME DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT \$ 860.88

MARKET GROWTH or (LOSS) \$ ( 27.94 )  
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ACCOUNT BALANCE 09-30-2025 \$ 12,067.14

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Walter Kaler  
TREASURER

## **RIVERSIDE FELLOWSHIP SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

The committee met on May 20, 2025 at the church. Attending were; Marcia Cifaldo, Linda Kaler, Walter Kaler, Donna Lewis and Valerie Miller. We received three scholarship applications.

Those awarded were the following:

Heikkinen (Henry)Gamage – SMCC - \$750.00

Adrianna (Addy) Ruggieri – UMA - \$750.00

Nevan Power – Dean College - \$750.00

Letters of congratulations were sent out June 1, 2025 and the website updated. There was also a note put in the June newsletter.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Valerie Miller and accepted. The treasurer's report was read by Walter Kaler and accepted.

The balance in the checking account is \$1,926.88 on Dec. 31, 2025. The balance in the Primerica account is \$12,067.14 on Sept. 30, 2025.

Officers were elected. They are as follows: Chairperson-Donna Lewis, Treasurer: Walter Kaler, Secretary-Valerie Miller.

Respectfully submitted,  
Valerie Miller

## **BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

Although our Sunday School classroom in 2025 was a small one, it was filled with the Word of God and love.

The church did not have a Board of Ed Superintendent this year. However, we did have three teachers, Kathy Lanphier, Michelle Bradley and Becky Ruggieri. Sunday School was held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week of the month.

We had the option of creating our own lesson or following the Liturgical topic Rev. January was preaching. Both ways were utilized.

The children and teachers enjoyed their time together each class. Moving forward we are praying for more family attendance in church and more children in our classrooms.

Respectively submitted,  
Michelle Bradley

## **HISTORIAN ANNUAL REPORT – 2025**

This year was filled with many changes. Rev. Bette Bond retired and moved back to Indiana to be with her mom.

Beverly Pacheco, music minister, resigned from her position.

The old pulpit chairs were refinished and reupholstered.

January Peavey graduated NACCC 3-year ministry course. She was ordained in our church and then voted in as our interim pastor.

A new computer was donated for the use of the office administrator. The older computer is now used for the finances of the church.

A team was chosen to work on the 200 Bicentennial in 2028. A few ideas are in the works. The team has gone through some of the early archives to incorporate in the Bicentennial.

The Archives from 1828 to the 1970's have been given to the Congregational Library and Archives in Boston. These will be sorted, digitized and put on their website.

We also became a member of the CLA. (Congregational Library and Archives).

The library room has been dismantled and cleaned, the rest of the Archives from the 1970's and ongoing will be stored in there.

A Nativity set was given in memory of Mary Gammon by her family.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Patricia Weaver  
Samuel Chapman

## **GREETING CARD MINISTRY REPORT – 2025**

Greetings,

2025 was a busy year for the card ministry.

I sent 372 cards out. The breakdown is as follows: 117 birthdays; 35 anniversaries; 47 sympathies; and 173 get well/thinking of you cards.

Thank you to those who donated money, cards and stamps. I bought anniversary and thinking of you cards to supplement the supply I have.

If you want me to send a card to someone, not on our list, please include the address. I hope the card ministry serves our congregational family well.

Respectfully submitted, Aleta Mank

## **YEAR – ROUND DELEGATE – NATIONAL ASSOCIATION – 2026**

We are blessed to continue to be a member of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC). Thank you to those of you who gave to our 2025 Fair Share, and plan to do so again, as we prepare to contribute for the 2026 calendar year.

As a reminder, there are significant benefits to being members of the NACCC, such as Pastoral Search resources, Missions and Outreach, Clergy Resources and Youth Resources, to name a few.

In June 2024, Rev. Dr. Barry W. Szymanski was appointed acting executive director following the resignation of Rev. Dr. Ashley Cleere. As of March 2025, the new executive director is Rev. Dr. Gerry Krupp.

Our 2025 annual meeting was held in St Louis, Missouri this past June. Our delegates were Jonathan Dodge and Sharon Landry. Those in attendance had a wonderful time filled with laughter and fellowship.

During the conference this year, I was blessed to graduate from the Lay Ministry Training Program. It was wonderful to share this experience with members from my church, as well as my mentor, Rev. Bette Bond.

This year's meeting (2026), will be held in Springfield, Massachusetts on June 27<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup>. It is my prayer that many more of you can join us this year given that the conference will be so close!

This year's conference mission project is another worthwhile cause, and we need your help! This year, the goal is to fill hundreds of ditty bags for Seafarers' Friend, one of the oldest missions of the Congregational Way.

For centuries, sailors have kept small cloth bags known as ditty bags that contain sewing kits, grooming items, spare clothes, and other small personal items. One of the highlights of the ditty bags distributed by Seafarers' Friend is the handmade hats and scarves that are included in each one.

We need all the knitters, crocheters, and sewists within our community to start making hats, scarves, and bags now so they will be ready to send with your delegations to the conference. If you are talented and called to share those talents for the glory of God, please see Sharon or Marcia.

The June 2027 meeting will go back to the Midwest. Location to be announced at a later date.

For more information on our association go to [www.NACCC.org](http://www.NACCC.org).

Thank you all for allowing me to be your year-round delegate.

Grace and Blessings to all,

January Peavey

## TITHING and ATTENDANCE – 2025

WK	DATE	OFFERING	TO DATE	AVERAGE	ATTEN D
1	01/05/2025	\$ 4953.00	\$ 4953.00	\$ 4953.00	53
2	01/12/2025	2048.00	7001.00	3500.00	41
3	01/19/2025	1123.00	8124.00	2708.00	63
4	01/26/2025	1205.00	9329.00	2332.25	66
5	02/02/2025	2328.00	11,657.00	2331.40	57
6	02/09/2025	50.00	11,707.00	1951.17	00
7	02/16/2025	855.00	12,562.00	1794.57	00
8	02/23/2025	2079.00	14,641.00	1830.13	52
9	03/02/2025	2697.00	17,338.00	19.26.44	54
10	03/09/2025	1679.00	19,017.00	1901.70	67
11	03/16/2025	1118.40	20,135.40	1830.49	57
12	03/23/2025	873.50	21,008.90	1750.74	59
13	03/30/2025	1639.00	22,647.90	1742.15	51
14	04/06/2025	3072.00	25,719.90	1837.14	68
15	04/13/2025	930.00	26,649.90	1776.66	59
16	04/20/2025	1358.00	28,002.90	1750.19	87
17	04/27/2025	848.00	28,850.90	1697.11	67
18	05/04/2025	1988.00	30,838.90	1713.27	50
19	05/11/2025	1756.00	32,139.90	1691.57	64
20	05/18/2025	1127.00	33,266.90	1663.34	70
21	05/25/2025	1708.00	34,974.90	1665.47	61
22	06/01/2025	3810.00	38,784.90	1762.95	68
23	06/08/2025	1358.00	40,142.90	1745.34	145
24	06/15/2025	861.00	41,003.90	1708.50	51
25	06/22/2025	506.00	41,509.90	1660.40	41
26	06/29/2025	1007.00	42,516.90	1635.27	47
27	07/06/2025	2416.00	44,932.90	1664.18	47
28	07/13/2025	1796.00	46,728.90	1668.89	54
29	07/20/2025	715.00	47,443.90	1636.00	53
30	07/27/2025	692.00	48,135.90	1604.53	46
31	08/03/2025	3087.00	51,222.90	1652.35	49
32	08/10/2025	859.00	52,081.90	1628.00	53
33	08/17/2025	1443.00	53,524.90	1621.97	60
34	08/24/2025	484.00	54,008.90	1588.50	44
35	08/31/2025	1009.00	55,017.90	1571.94	43
36	09/07/2025	2745.00	57,762.90	1604.53	52
37	09/14/2025	895.00	58,657.90	1585.35	45
38	09/21/2025	895.00	59,552.90	1567.18	57
39	09/28/2025	1093.00	60,645.90	1555.00	37
40	10/05/2025	1581.00	62,226.90	1557.67	44
41	10/12/2025	1775.00	64,001.90	1561.22	53
42	10/19/2025	1079.80	65,081.70	1549.56	44
43	10/26/2025	835.09	65,916.79	1532.95	50
44	11/02/2025	2456.00	68,372.79	1553.92	47
45	11/09/2025	2065.00	70,437.79	1565.28	60
46	11/16/2025	577.00	71,014.79	1543.80	45
47	11/23/2025	798.00	71,812.79	1527.93	50
48	11/30/2025	1742.25	73,555.04	1532.40	54
49	12/07/2025	2153.00	75,708.04	1532.40	54
50	12/14/2025	1505.00	77,213.04	1544.26	63
51	12/21/2025	975.85	78,188.89	1533.12	54
52	12/28/2025	1137.50	79,326.39	1525.51	53

## **2025 – MEMBERSHIP LIST**

Ames, Weston	Heath, Jason	Robinson, Carolyn A.
Anderson, Gerald	Heath, Connie	Robinson, Sterling
Augustine, Robert	Houghton, Leland	Ruggieri, Augusta
Baker, Betty	Jordan, Robert	Ruggieri, Rebecca
Baker, David	Jura, Deborah	Ryan, Michelle
Barnstein, John	Jura, Mark	Sainio, Melody
Barrett, Robert	Kaler, Walter	Simmons, Margaret
Barrett, Vicki	Knutson, Muriel	Small, Janette
Beattie, Emily	Landry, David	Smalley, Sharon
Bland, Cynthia	Landry, Sharon	Starr, Carole
Boggs, Leland	Lanphier, Clinton	Stetson, Lauri
Boggs, Valerie	Lanphier, Kathy	Stetson, Neil
Borzelli, Kathleen	Lawrence, Cathy	Stetson, Pearl
Bradley, Michelle	Lent, James	Studley, Nola
Braun, Nancy	Lent, Linda	Vanner, Betsy
Bryand, Faustina	Lewis, Donna	Vanner, Merle
Burnell, Susan	Libby, Peggy	Waltz, Mark
Camber, Dean	Lombardo, Susan	Weaver, Patricia
Damber, Dennis	Luce, Tammy	White, Bruce
Chapman, Samuel	Mank, Aleta	White, David
Chipman, Sue	Mank, Amy	White, Gayle
Carpenter, Karen	Mank, Kirby	White, Jeremy
Cifaldo, Joseph	Mank, Stuart	Wood, Jenina
Cifaldo, Marcia	Maxcy, Irene	Wyllie, Sonja
Collemer, Debbie	McKeller, David	
Cornforth, Louise	McKeller, Deena	<b>NEW:</b> None
Creighton, Hope	Mercier, Julie (Lent)	<b>BAPTISM:</b> None
Creighton, Jeffrey	Mink, Marion	<b>MARRIAGE:</b> None
Damewood, Margaret	Miller, Valerie	
Dare, Diana	Ott, Patricia	<b>DEATHS</b>
Davis, Betty	Overlock, Eric	Marilyn Chase
David, Steven	Overlock, Patricia	Cynthia Field
Dodge, Jonathan	Overlock, Janice	Harlean Jordan
Field, Geore V	Overlock, Sandra	Willis Berry
Field, Mary	Peavey, January	Mary Gammon
Gamage, Regina	Pendleton, Stephanie	Linda Kaler
Gammon, Heather	Poland, Deagan	Bradley Miller *
Gammon, Lee	Poland, Niva-Jean	Monica Moore
Gammon, Sandra	Quinn, Robin	Evelyn Anderson
Hagin, Amber	Quinn, Wayne	
Hagin, John	Richardson, Elizabeth	• Non Member
Hagin, Joshua	Richardson, Wesley	
Hagin, Tammy		

## NOTES:

Thank you all for submitting your annual reports in a timely manner. It was most helpful and very much appreciated. Blessings to all.  
Carolyn Robinson, Office Administrator