

# *2021 Annual Report*



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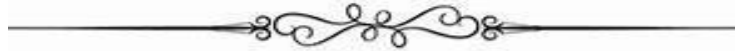
# Annual Meeting Agenda\* – February 13, 2022

- Call to Order Brian Fisher, 2022 Consistory President
- Opening Prayer Rev. Steve Davis, Senior Pastor
- Approval of the May 30, 2021 Congregational Meeting Minutes Brian Fisher  
Field of Dreams / Pavilion Presentation
- Approval of the October 24, 2021 Congregational Meeting Minutes  
Election of Rev. Steven Davis as Settled Pastor
- Approval of the November 28, 2021 Congregational Meeting Minutes  
Approval of the 2022 Budget
- 2021 Committee Reports
- Treasurer's Report Sue Weldner, Treasurer
- Additional Business
  - Pastoral Search Committee Update Sharon Czekner, Kenda Catalini,  
and Susan Rarich
- A Word from the Pastor Rev. Steve Davis
- Looking Ahead to 2022 Brian Fisher
- Adjournment

\* There will be additions to the Agenda at various times.

## Church Officers - 2022

<b>President</b>	Brian Fisher 3327 N 4 <sup>th</sup> Street, Whitehall	610-762-1134
<b>Vice President</b>	Bill Fink 227 S. Main Street; Nazareth	610-704-8778
<b>Secretary</b>	Janet Ebert 3221 S 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street; Whitehall	610-264-5056
<b>Treasurer</b>	Susan Weldner 7287 Lochhaven Street, Allentown	610-509-4674
<b>Financial Secretaries</b>	Tom and Emilie Moyer 3812 Beil Court, Whitehall	610-432-3372



## Our Church Staff

610-264-8421 ~ Church Office

Senior Pastor	Rev. Steve Davis	325-725-2423
Visitation Pastor	Rev. David Quinn	610-844-6609
Director of Music	Gail Hanzl	
Office Administrator	Deb Hoffmann	
Worship Tech & Coordinating Custodian	Michelle Gutekunst	
Custodian	Robert Czekner	
Custodian	Christina Bach	
Financial Secretaries	Tom and Emilie Moyer	
Treasurer	Susan Weldner	

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# Senior Pastor's Report - 2021

***"FAITH is daring the soul to go beyond what the eyes can see!"***

*"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love God." ~ 1 Corinthians 2:9*

October 24, 2021 began a new chapter in my life and ministry. For the first time in my ministry, I was elected to be a Senior Pastor in the United Church of Christ. St. John's UCC, Fullerton, voted to elect me with a 93% vote. I am honored by your vote of affirmation, by your faith, by your interest in getting to know me and my family. My husband, Bill Castello, and I came here trusting in God and trusting in you to be God's people! You have shown your love and affirming support, and we are grateful.

Sunday, November 14, 2021, you were prepared to welcome us to our new home in Allentown, with an unloading crew of 20 people, ready for service. As we opened our lives to you, you shared hospitality in abundance. We have welcomed us and our gifts, trusted us to help strengthen our shared ministry, and prepared the way for next steps in our journey of hope.

While we have shared only a few months together, I'm forever grateful for the work of the Search Committee that would not stop until they found the candidate they believed best met the needs and ministry opportunities of St. John's UCC, Fullerton. Your mission statement and how you described who you are and who you know God empowers you to be spoke to me and Bill. We found in you a people with whom we believe we will be more than "accepted," and truly affirmed! I know that our trust and joy in each other will grow as our experiences together add to the strength of the bonds now being forged.

As I spoke with the Search Committee last Fall and with many of you individually at our "Meet & Greet" opportunity during the candidate weekend, we could only begin to dream of our possibilities together. *"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love God."* I take these words to heart, and trust that God will continue to open new ways for us to be challenged and affirmed as we do the work of being the church.

*I will encourage, push, guide and lead us to see where God is at work and invite us join God in transforming the world. With your faith, the mission of St. John's UCC, Fullerton will be lived out as **We Worship, We Love, We Serve ~ No Matter What!***

*Glory to God! Amen*



*Rev. Steven (Steve) Davis  
Senior Pastor*

## Visitation Pastor's Report - 2021

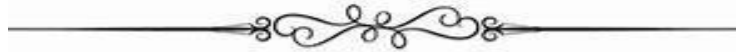
My Friends, we had hoped that 2021 would be the year that we put COVID behind us. We had hoped that COVID's disruption and isolation of our lives would end. Alas, it was not to be. Illness, fear, and loneliness continue. That means our work continues.

God has given you and me the work of reminding people that we care, that the Church cares, and that God cares. Let us continue to pray. Let us continue to phone and send cards. And let us continue, when possible, to visit the lonely, the frightened, and the forgotten. It says in 1 John that "perfect love drives out fear."

Much thanks to Pat Thompson and the rest of the Visitation Committee! We have worked together to try to keep in touch with church folks as they sometimes get taken to a hospital or a rehab facility without any person knowing. I really appreciate our "church spies!" In an effort to reach out electronically, I post mini-devotionals three times a week on St. John's Facebook page.

Our love isn't perfect, but, by the grace of God, let's do what we can to decrease the fear in the world. Let us hope and pray for better days ahead!

Pastor Dave Quinn



## Consistory President's Report – 2021

With the help of God we made it through a trying and difficult year filled with challenges in many forms. The Pandemic being number one did not discourage St. John's congregants as we needed to move forward to make us a viable church into the future.

The Lord stood with us as we did our best to continue "To Be the Church". Strength through Christ became an important part of our everyday life.

In January we welcomed a new administrative assistant.

Pastor Bonnie Moore kept us on track with zoom worship, outside gatherings and confirming a confirmation class in the Field of Dreams.

The generosity of the congregation and hard work of many started and completed the pavilion in record time. An amazing accomplishment after many years.

June came with the reopening of the church building and return to our beautiful sanctuary for in person worship. It was not the norm wearing masks, no choir, no hugs but we had music and were able to be with our church friends. Later masks became an option and all were happy to see the smiling faces. It didn't last long until masks were once again mandatory, but in person worship and virtual was always an option. Keeping everyone safe was a great concern. In several months the choir was able to participate in the service to the joy and happiness of all.

An upgrade of the video and internet systems within the church was completed. New computers were also purchased.

Pastor Bonnie Moore's interim ended in August leaving us without a pastor. Thank you to Pastors Dave Quinn, Becca Stephens, and Evelyn Stupp for giving hope and strength to our church as we waited for Pastor Jameson Baxter to start his time as bridge pastor.

A Confirmation class was formed due to the perseverance of many. There are 15 confirmands who will be looking forward to their confirmation in 2022.

The Consistory approved the formation of a Christian Education Task Force to get this important educational ministry of the church working again.

The Search Committee worked diligently to find the best pastor for our church. The committee presented a candidate in September and on October 24 Reverend Steve Davis preached a candidate sermon. A congregational meeting was held and vote taken with 93.2% approval Reverend Davis became our senior pastor. The Lord has blessed us with an energetic, charismatic, and caring minister of God.

It has been my honor to have served this faithful and understanding congregation during these stressful times. There were days I prayed that I could continue to do my best and keep us all together. It is my hope with blessing and peace that next year be less complicated....."No Matter What!"

Marion DeMilio,  
Consistory President





## Interim Pastor Bonnie Farewell

Just one final “thank you” for EVERYTHING – the well-wishes, the notes, the help packing up the office, but most of all, thank you for your participation in our partnership in ministry over the last fifteen months. I will carry with me many fond memories of St. John’s UCC, Fullerton!

Blessings as you prepare to welcome your new pastor and to...  
Worship, Love, and Serve – No Matter What!

Love, Pastor Bonnie

## Membership Statistical Report - 2021

**Baptisms: 4**

**Weddings: 0**

9/19/2021 Eric Laders

6/19/2021 Maya Jade Schambers

11/21/2021 Daniel Vrablic

11/21/2021 Everleigh Vrablic

**“New Members: 7 (Those under 18 are indicated by \*)”**

**Confirmation: 7**

5/2/2021 Michael Baatz\*

5/2/2021 Zoe Roth\*

5/2/2021 Ethan Brobst\*

5/2/2021 Conner Strauss\*

5/2/2021 Cole Buskirk\*

5/2/2021 Carter Troxell\*

5/2/2021 Chris Leibensperger\*

**Member Deaths: 28**

1/1/2021 Raynold Ambearile

6/12/2021 Jack Cusati

1/3/2021 Henry Moll

6/15/2021 Kevin Stewart

1/7/2021 Roma Haas

6/16/2021 Thomas Piskla

1/20/2021 June Tomb

6/24/2021 Colleen Chryst

1/30/2021	Barry Everett	7/27/2021	Ruth Minnich
2/1/2021	Rodney Altorfer	9/22/2021	John Bennett
3/15/2021	Ruth Wittman	9/26/2021	Judith Mohr
3/20/2021	Nancy Eichman	11/1/2021	Gail Green
4/8/2021	Marie Fatzinger	11/12/2021	Edith Crews
5/18/2021	Shirley Becks	11/15/2021	Tom Miller
5/24/2021	Ray Lane	12/8/2021	Johanna Carlisle
5/30/2021	Jean Gilbert	12/16/2021	Evelyn Haas
6/6/2021	Betty Blose	12/18/2021	Madeline Leibenguth
6/9/2021	Marian Kline	12/27/2021	Fae Erney

**Removed by Request or Transfer 9**

2/27/2021	Samuel Yoder	8/1/2021	Bonnie Moore
3/16/2021	Barry Wexler	11/1/2021	LeDonne Volz Wagstaff
4/1/2021	Stacy & Austin Dunbar	12/20/21	Kathy Nelson
4/19/2021	Shirley & Thomas Teets	12/20/2021	Betty Merkle

**“Moved to Inactive Member Status by Spiritual Council” 4**

3/16/2021	Anita Bruder
3/16/2021	Cynthia Bundra
3/16/2021	Daniel Buss
3/16/2021	Michael Buss

**Summary of Membership**

<b>Active Membership Reported 12/31/2020</b>	<b>639</b>
<b>New Members</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Active Member Deaths</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Removed by Request or Transfer</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Moved to Inactive by Spiritual Council</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Active Membership as of 12/31/2021</b>	<b>605</b>



**November 28, 2021 Congregational Meeting Minutes**

**Election of Consistory Members and 2022 Budget**

Consistory Members

Rev. Steven Davis, Senior Pastor  
Susan Weldner, Treasurer

\*Rev. David Quinn, Visitation Pastor  
\*Thomas Moyer, Financial Secretary

Sharon Antrim	2021	Brian Fisher	2022
Gary Black	2022	Kayleigh Fisher	2021
Marion DeMilio	2021	Donna Held	2021
Janet Ebert	2023	*Jenn Hunsicker	2021
Amy Feidler	2022	Brenda Pascoe	2023
William Fink	2023	Ann Welsh	2021
		Margaret Young	2023

\*Not Present

CALL TO ORDER – Marion DeMilio, President

DEVOTIONS – Pastor Steve

Roster of Consistory members finishing terms, also on nominating committee for new members:

- Marion DeMilio
- Sharon Antrim
- Ann Welsh
- Kayleigh Fisher

We thank these members for their service and their dedication.

**Nominations of new 2022 Consistory Members:**

- DONNALEE YEATS as Elder 2022 – 2024
- JOY GRAVELY as Deacon 2022 – 2024
- DONNA HELD as Deacon 2022-2024
- WAYNE LITCHECNWALNER as Deacon 2022-2024
- MICHAEL BAATZ as youth Deacon 2022

Motion Made by: Colleen Kulhammer to accept nominations

Motion Seconded by: Wendy Fox

Motion Carried

**Introduce Continuing members of Consistory:**

- Brian Fisher – President
- Gary Black
- Amy Feidler
- Cindy Reck
- Janet Ebert
- Bill Fink
- Brenda Pascoe – Secretary
- Margaret Young

**2022 PROPOSED BUDGET** – Sue Weldner, treasurer

Highlight the property number of \$358320.00 compared to the 2019 number of more in the \$300000.00 range. The spending and income levels are still not equal to the 2019 levels. We all need to think of ways to cover the budget deficit. Open the floor for questions – none forthcoming.

Motion to accept treasurer's report made by: George Williams

Seconded by: DonnaLee Yates

Motion Carried

On behalf of the Consistory, we would like to thank everyone for their support of all the challenges we have had to face to 2021.

Motion to adjourn made by: Cheryl Weaver

Seconded by: Pete Mohr

Motion Carried

## October 24, 2021 Congregational Meeting Minutes Election of Rev. Steven Davis as Settled Pastor

Consistory Members

\*Rev. David Quinn, Visitation Pastor

Susan Weldner, Treasurer

\*Thomas Moyer, Financial Secretary

*Sharon Antrim	2021	Brian Fisher	2022
Gary Black	2022	Kayleigh Fisher	2021
Marion DeMilio	2021	*Jenn Hunsicker	2022
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\*Not Present

CALL TO ORDER BY: Marion DeMilio

DEVOTIONS BY: Pastor Jameson

PURPOSE of CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Vote to elect Senior Pastor for St. John's UCC Fullerton

Introduction of the Church Pastoral Search Committee

Kenda Catalini	Sharon Czekner	Paul Raszler
Amy Feidler	Wendy Fox	
Pete Mohr	Susan Rarick	

### Information Given to Congregation

- Candidate requirements
- Steps followed by Search Committee
- Gave congregation synopsis of Steve's life and credentials
- Gave congregation and consistory thanks for their patience and backing
- Any questions for search committee – no
- Informed congregation of Conference recommendations and church by-laws regarding voting eligibility
  - o Must be a church member in good standing
  - o Must be 18 years of age or older
- Three phone lines opened for those voting from home
- Larry Oberly, the conference representative, would conduct confidential vote with ballots he supplied
- 90.0% of all ballots must be a yes vote before candidate is confirmed

### Vote Taken

#### Larry Oberly Tallies Votes

Voting closed

- Vote total announced by search committee
- 93.2% of congregation voted yes for our new Pastor Steve

### Congregational Meeting Adjourned

**May 30, 2021 Congregational Meeting Minutes**  
**Field of Dreams / Pavilion Presentation**  
**“ZOOM” and In Person, 10:30 am**

Marion DeMilio, 2021 Consistory President  
Rev. Bonnie Moore, Interim Sr. Pastor  
Rev. David Quinn, Visitation Pastor

Thomas Moyer, Financial Secretary  
Susan Weldner, Treasurer  
Kenda Catalini & Sharon Czekner  
Search Committee Co-Chairs

Call to order by: Marion DeMilio

Devotions by: Pastor Bonnie Moore

Presentation of Field of Dreams: John Viglione

John Viglione Field of Dreams Presentation and request for congregational vote.

Determination: Between zoom attendees and in person congregants there is a quorum for any vote called for.

Proposal of special meeting to request a new capital campaign for fulfillment of St. John’s UCC Fullerton dream for Field of Dreams completion. Four hand-outs supplied to congregants to aid in proposal being made:

1. Sketch of proposed pavilion (40x70 to 40x80 structure). This structure contains 2 bathrooms, storage, kitchen, stage, plumbing that can be disconnected for winter months to prevent pipe freezing, electricity, portable tables, and chairs to be stored when not in use, and emergency lighting at night to help prevent defacement of check in the amount of \$32,140 said property, etc. The building would be set in such a way as to prevent (as much as possible) any undo noise affecting the near-by neighbors.
2. DO we Need pavilion and how can it serve our needs? Hand-out lists 32 viable activities with many more that could be added.
3. Question is one of Finances. Hand out lists 2 construction companies. Morton Construction handling the pavilion shell and Russo Construction taking care of all the interior work. Initially, we considered having Morton doing all work (subcontracting etc.) however that would have cost us significantly more money. The pavilion finances hand-out depicts real costs, estimated costs (tables, grading and seeding, etc.) Building permits, sewer costs are not included and would be considered extra expenses. Payments made for design work, our available funds and the projected shortfall are also listed in totals.

For Morton Construction to begin this project as soon as possible 3 checks would need to be forthcoming. The first check in the amount of \$32,140 would be due at signing of contract, the second check in the amount of \$57,603 would be due upon delivery of



materials (the latter part of July into August 2021), with the third and final payment due upon Morton's completion of work in the amount of \$10,709.

4. How do we pay the shortfall? It was decided we would not touch the Contingency Capital Campaign Fund, saving these monies for emergency church use. After checking with some banks it came to our attention that Cornerstone Loan was our best option, even though rates were slightly higher, they were much more flexible and met our needs more readily. Cornerstone is a two stage process. As a 30 year mortgage, we would only borrow money as needed for payments as work progressed and repayment would only be required of money lent out at any given time. The whole amount of \$120,000 would not accrue interest until that amount was utilized. At that time, a \$626 payment per month would be due over the term of the mortgage, with no application or origination fees and no balloon payment applies. This payment of \$500-\$600 per month could be covered by the current furnace loan payment received. In short, during construction, interest is paid only on monies withdrawn; after construction is complete, all loan balance receipts are totaled and amortized over the thirty year term and contain both a principal and interest component.

Motion to close discussion: Colleen Kulhammer

Seconded by: Sharon Antrim

Motion Carried

Motion to accept recommendation of both Stewardship and Finance Committee and Consistory to sign contracts, take out loan as outlined, undertake the building of the pavilion.

Motion by: Gary Black

Seconded by: Colleen Kulhammer

All in Favor: 54

Opposed: 6

Abstain: 1

Motion Carried – This vote was taken as a secret ballot

Closing Prayer: Marion DeMilio

Motion to Adjourn: Colleen Kulhammer

Seconded by: Mrs. Moore

Motion Carried



**Treasurer's Reports  
&  
Financial Secretaries' Reports**



<b>MONTH</b>	<b>CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>MISSIONS OCWM</b>	<b>PROPERTY NEEDS</b>	<b>REPAY LOAN FOR FURNACE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
January	\$ 22,152.70	\$ 1,705.08	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 8,302.70	\$ 33,180.48
February	\$ 19,849.01	\$ 1,773.26	\$ 1,058.00	\$ 2,354.80	\$ 25,035.07
March	\$ 20,026.65	\$ 1,464.96	\$ 999.00	\$ 838.00	\$ 23,328.61
April	\$ 22,770.96	\$ 1,852.00	\$ 782.00	\$ 555.00	\$ 25,959.96
May	\$ 23,573.94	\$ 1,709.00	\$ 1,089.00	\$ 1,405.00	\$ 27,776.94
June	\$ 17,773.96	\$ 1,379.96	\$ 944.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 20,717.92
July	\$ 20,048.11	\$ 1,356.00	\$ 834.00	\$ 705.00	\$ 22,943.11
August	\$ 21,784.00	\$ 1,673.96	\$ 1,043.00	\$ 770.00	\$ 25,270.96
September	\$ 20,851.83	\$ 1,594.96	\$ 1,014.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 24,085.79
October	\$ 16,679.96	\$ 1,434.00	\$ 894.00	\$ 680.00	\$ 19,687.96
November	\$ 22,078.00	\$ 1,518.96	\$ 862.00	\$ 615.00	\$ 25,073.96
December	\$ 21,624.50	\$ 1,788.81	\$ 1,094.00	\$ 605.00	\$ 25,112.31
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 249,213.62</b>	<b>\$ 19,250.95</b>	<b>\$ 11,633.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,075.50</b>	<b>\$ 280,097.58</b>

<b>ENVELOPE TITLE</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 249,825.26	\$ 247,830.48	\$ 278,560.58	\$ 315,622.28	\$ 301,627.95	\$ 296,736.01	\$ 303,344.66	\$ 277,300.49
<b>Current Expenses</b>	\$ 207,438.26	\$ 205,595.68	\$ 232,089.83	\$ 263,525.91	\$ 255,619.95	\$ 246,225.67	\$ 252,240.67	\$ 236,087.04
<b>Donation for Envelopes</b>	\$ 396.50	\$ 410.00	\$ 344.00	\$ 646.00	\$ 673.00	\$ 623.50	\$ 444.00	\$ 296.00
<b>Communion</b>	\$ 3,703.50	\$ 4,441.25	\$ 5,213.00	\$ 4,985.50	\$ 4,903.50	\$ 4,825.75	\$ 4,417.00	\$ 2,161.50
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	\$ 552.00	\$ 645.00	\$ 648.00	\$ 745.00	\$ 678.00	\$ 766.00	\$ 830.28	\$ 602.00
<b>Lenten Envelopes</b>	\$ 1,124.00	\$ 1,471.00	\$ 1,206.00	\$ 1,718.00	\$ 1,104.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 1,181.55	\$ 996.00
<b>Lent Folders</b>	\$ 1,799.50	\$ 1,701.00	\$ 1,700.25	\$ 2,070.50	\$ 1,685.00	\$ 2,026.75	\$ 2,075.00	\$ 685.00
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	\$ 581.00	\$ 438.00	\$ 647.00	\$ 534.00	\$ 539.00	\$ 667.00	\$ 717.46	\$ 180.00
<b>Good Friday</b>	\$ 526.00	\$ 710.00	\$ 801.00	\$ 1,095.00	\$ 606.00	\$ 689.00	\$ 546.00	\$ 225.00
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	\$ 2,139.00	\$ 2,028.00	\$ 1,872.00	\$ 2,704.00	\$ 3,085.00	\$ 2,211.00	\$ 2,182.50	\$ 1,435.00
<b>Mothers' Day</b>	\$ 329.00	\$ 287.00	\$ 229.00	\$ 478.00	\$ 378.00	\$ 366.00	\$ 265.00	\$ 185.00
<b>Fathers' Day</b>	\$ 298.00	\$ 268.00	\$ 263.00	\$ 307.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 149.00	\$ 75.00
<b>Harvest Home</b>	\$ 307.00	\$ 301.00	\$ 339.00	\$ 332.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 265.00		
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	\$ 899.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,107.00	\$ 532.00	\$ 766.00	\$ 683.00	\$ 1,071.00	\$ 415.00
<b>Advent/Christmas</b>	\$ 587.00	\$ 739.00	\$ 610.00	\$ 365.00	\$ 890.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 671.00
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	\$ 4,302.00	\$ 3,706.00	\$ 4,973.00	\$ 6,150.00	\$ 4,297.00	\$ 4,418.00	\$ 4,088.00	\$ 910.00
<b>Missions (OCWM)</b>	\$ 14,328.00	\$ 14,688.05	\$ 17,255.50	\$ 19,098.93	\$ 15,560.00	\$ 18,073.62	\$ 19,270.37	\$ 19,250.95
<b>Property Needs</b>	\$ 6,679.50	\$ 6,079.50	\$ 6,159.00	\$ 6,775.44	\$ 7,362.50	\$ 9,745.50	\$ 11,452.83	\$ 11,633.00
<b>H.E.L.P.</b>	\$ 3,836.00	\$ 3,972.00	\$ 3,104.00	\$ 3,560.00	\$ 3,081.00	\$ 3,550.22	\$ 1,889.00	\$ 1,493.00

## Annual Budget - 2021

	2019	2020	2021	2022	% Change	% Change		
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Budget	2021 Actual vs 2022 Budget	2021 Actual vs 2020 Actual		
OFFERINGS	\$289,185	\$250,258	\$239,287	\$300,120	25.42%	(4.38%)		
RENTAL INCOME	\$20,755	\$14,722	\$15,916	\$14,520	(8.77%)	8.11%		
FUNDRAISING INCOME	\$22,972	\$5,816	\$5,834	\$10,000	71.41%	0.30%		
ENDOWMENT INTEREST	\$20,852	\$21,176	\$21,084	\$22,680	7.57%	(0.43%)		
FLOWERS INCOME	\$2,956	\$728	\$1,777	\$4,000	125.10%	144.09%		
CHRISTIAN ED INCOME	\$4,374	\$1,304	\$510	\$4,500	782.35%	(60.87%)		
SPECIAL GIFTS & TRANSFERS	\$14,245	\$2,227	\$2,315	\$2,500	7.99%	3.94%		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$353,561</b>	<b>\$296,231</b>	<b>\$286,723</b>	<b>\$358,320</b>	<b>24.97%</b>	<b>(3.21%)</b>		
PASTORAL SERVICES	\$185,137	\$131,139	\$119,953	\$162,265	35.27%	(8.53%)		
STAFF SALARIES	\$116,934	\$118,802	\$101,745	\$116,605	14.60%	(14.36%)		
PROPERTY	\$34,344	\$27,367	\$30,862	\$41,700	35.12%	12.77%		
PARISH PROGRAMS	\$32,645	\$22,151	\$23,490	\$37,750	60.71%	6.04%		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$361,381</b>	<b>\$299,459</b>	<b>\$276,050</b>	<b>\$358,320</b>	<b>29.80%</b>	<b>(7.82%)</b>		
<b>NET</b>	<b>\$(7,820)</b>	<b>\$(3,228)</b>	<b>\$10,673</b>	<b>\$-</b>				

## Stewardship and Finance Report - 2021

First, thank you to all the committee members that have worked so hard to support the committee’s objectives throughout 2021. We’d also like to thank the congregation for their support through the year. 2021 continued to see changes and challenges for St. John’s, and we now look forward to 2022!

As 2021 progressed, St John’s continued to adjust to the world around us. We found ways to continue to be in community, continue to fundraise (although at lower levels from past years), continue to manage our expenses, and continue to provide financial support to the operations and mission of St. Johns. As the year came to a close, we called our new Senior Pastor, and now look forward to where God will lead us next.

Income was down again in 2021, but our expenses were also down:

- Operating expenses down as we continued to operate the church at less than “normal”
- Pastoral Services were down as we transitioned from Interim pastors to our full time Senior Pastor in November.

We ended the year strong, with an increase of \$10,676 in our General Fund!

<b>St. Johns UCC Fullerton General Fund -DEC 2021</b>		
	Actual	Budget
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$ 286,723	\$ 364,920
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	\$ (276,047)	\$ (364,914)
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 10,676	
<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 32,467	Dec 2020
<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE -DEC 2021</b>	\$ 43,143	

We also continued to support and fund the completion of the Pavilion in 2021. As we end the year, the construction costs of approx. \$285,000 are paid - \$200,000 coming from congregation giving to the capital campaign, and the balance of \$85,000 as a loan from Cornerstone Fund. We have approx. \$45,000 cash remaining in the capital campaign. A portion of this money will be used to purchase furnishings and supplies for the Pavilion. The S&F committee is also looking at options to create a restricted endowment fund to support the on-going expenses and maintenance of the Pavilion. As our “internal furnace loan” is repaid with congregation donations, that money will also help to support the remaining expenses of the Pavilion. Current balance of that internal loan is \$23,000.

As we discussed in November, our 2022 budget returns us to “normal operating levels”. Our congregational giving has been declining in recent months, and currently is not at levels to support this 2022 budget. With God’s direction, we will all need to find ways to grow our financial support of the ministry of St John’s UCC Fullerton!

Committee Members: Pastor Steve, Sue Weldner (Treasurer), Thomas Moyer (Financial Secretary), John Viglione, Jim Ebert, Brian Fisher, Susan Rarich, Joe Trippett.



## Financial Secretary’s Report - 2021 Month by Month

<b>2021 CONTRIBUTIONS MONTH BY MONTH</b>					
<b>MONTH</b>	<b>CURRENT</b>	<b>MISSIONS</b>	<b>PROPERTY</b>	<b>REPAY LOAN</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>OCWM</b>	<b>NEEDS</b>	<b>FOR FURNACE</b>	
January	\$ 26,374.31	\$ 1,410.00	\$ 1,153.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 29,487.31
February	\$ 15,253.80	\$ 1,440.30	\$ 1,006.50	\$ 1,215.00	\$ 18,915.60
March	\$ 23,161.80	\$ 1,417.00	\$ 1,091.00	\$ 1,030.00	\$ 26,699.80
April	\$ 18,192.70	\$ 1,713.80	\$ 1,075.00	\$ 685.00	\$ 21,666.50
May	\$ 20,049.60	\$ 1,604.80	\$ 1,262.00	\$ 920.00	\$ 23,836.40
June	\$ 16,163.00	\$ 1,305.00	\$ 1,112.00	\$ 1,030.00	\$ 19,610.00
July	\$ 17,921.00	\$ 1,611.80	\$ 1,021.00	\$ 725.00	\$ 21,278.80
August	\$ 18,544.30	\$ 1,556.00	\$ 1,046.00	\$ 630.00	\$ 21,776.30
September	\$ 17,705.65	\$ 1,439.60	\$ 1,012.00	\$ 440.00	\$ 20,597.25
October	\$ 18,947.00	\$ 1,588.00	\$ 1,239.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 22,299.00
November	\$ 15,904.10	\$ 1,335.00	\$ 772.00	\$ 465.00	\$ 18,476.10
December	\$ 16,905.00	\$ 1,195.00	\$ 641.00	\$ 280.00	\$ 19,021.00
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 225,122.26</b>	<b>\$ 17,616.30</b>	<b>\$ 12,430.50</b>	<b>\$ 8,495.00</b>	<b>\$ 263,664.06</b>

## Amounts Contributed Per Giving Unit - 2021

\$5000 +	12
\$2500 to \$4999.99	22
\$1000 to \$2499.99	56
\$500 to \$999.99	37
\$100 to \$499.99	90
\$.01 to \$99.99	95
No Contribution	136

Please know that all gifts to St. John's, both large and small, are appreciated and valued. Thank you for all your do for St. John's UCC, Fullerton.



### **Called To Grow, Launching the Dream** ***Capital Campaign Summary – December 31, 2019*** ***(Third and Final Year of 3 Year Campaign)***

Amount Pledged	\$221,959.05
Pledges Paid	\$223,565.05
Unpledged Contributions	\$12,551.00
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>\$236,116.05</b>

101	Families Made Pledges to this Campaign
75	Families Completed or Exceeded their Pledge
3	Deceased
1	Cancelled Pledge
22	Families Unable to Complete Pledge

# Financial Secretary's Report

## ST. JOHN'S ENDOWMENT FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

Prior to 2007 - \$73,000

2007 - \$23,425	2015 - \$7,056
2008 - \$113,045	2016 - \$5,935
2009 - \$18,290	2017 - \$ 480
2010 - \$10,491	2018 - \$1,630
2011 - \$3,445	2019 - \$1,180
2012 - \$10,515	2020 - \$ 0
2013 - \$8,055	2021 - \$1,100
2014 - \$13,567	

### ***TOTAL ENDOWMENT CONTRIBUTIONS***

***\$292,314***

Your gift to St. John's Endowment Fund is a gift to the future of St. John's.

THANK YOU!



## Annual Comparisons Of Giving - 2021

ENVELOPE TITLE COMPARISONS								
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	2018	2019	2020	2021
Current Expenses	\$205,595.68	\$232,089.83	\$263,525.91	\$ 255,619.95	\$ 246,225.67	\$ 252,240.67	\$ 236,087.04	\$ 225,122.26
Donation for Envelopes	\$ 410.00	\$ 344.00	\$ 646.00	\$ 673.00	\$ 623.50	\$ 444.00	\$ 296.00	\$ 310.00
Communion	\$ 4,441.25	\$ 5,213.00	\$ 4,985.50	\$ 4,903.50	\$ 4,825.75	\$ 4,417.00	\$ 2,161.50	\$ 876.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 645.00	\$ 648.00	\$ 745.00	\$ 678.00	\$ 766.00	\$ 830.28	\$ 602.00	\$ 251.00
Lenten Envelopes	\$ 1,471.00	\$ 1,206.00	\$ 1,718.00	\$ 1,104.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 1,181.55	\$ 996.00	\$ 935.00
Lent Folders	\$ 1,701.00	\$ 1,700.25	\$ 2,070.50	\$ 1,685.00	\$ 2,026.75	\$ 2,075.00	\$ 685.00	\$ 750.00
Maundy Thursday	\$ 438.00	\$ 647.00	\$ 534.00	\$ 539.00	\$ 667.00	\$ 717.46	\$ 180.00	\$ 205.00
Good Friday	\$ 710.00	\$ 801.00	\$ 1,095.00	\$ 606.00	\$ 689.00	\$ 546.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 320.00
Easter Sunday	\$ 2,028.00	\$ 1,872.00	\$ 2,704.00	\$ 3,085.00	\$ 2,211.00	\$ 2,182.50	\$ 1,435.00	\$ 1,766.55
Mothers' Day	\$ 287.00	\$ 229.00	\$ 478.00	\$ 378.00	\$ 366.00	\$ 265.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 130.00
Fathers' Day	\$ 268.00	\$ 263.00	\$ 307.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 149.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 150.00
Harvest Home	\$ 301.00	\$ 339.00	\$ 332.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 265.00			
Thanksgiving	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,107.00	\$ 532.00	\$ 766.00	\$ 683.00	\$ 1,071.00	\$ 415.00	\$ 462.80
Advent/Christmas	\$ 739.00	\$ 610.00	\$ 365.00	\$ 890.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 671.00	
Christmas Eve	\$ 3,706.00	\$ 4,973.00	\$ 6,150.00	\$ 4,297.00	\$ 4,418.00	\$ 4,088.00	\$ 910.00	\$ 3,992.55
Missions (OCWM)	\$ 14,688.05	\$ 17,255.50	\$ 19,098.93	\$ 15,560.00	\$ 18,073.62	\$ 19,270.37	\$ 19,250.95	\$ 17,616.30
Property Needs	\$ 6,079.50	\$ 6,159.00	\$ 6,775.44	\$ 7,362.50	\$ 9,745.50	\$ 11,452.83	\$ 11,633.00	\$ 12,430.50
H.E.L.P.	\$ 3,972.00	\$ 3,104.00	\$ 3,560.00	\$ 3,081.00	\$ 3,550.22	\$ 1,889.00	\$ 1,493.00	\$ 1,809.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$247,830.48</b>	<b>\$278,560.58</b>	<b>\$315,622.28</b>	<b>\$ 301,627.95</b>	<b>\$ 296,736.01</b>	<b>\$ 303,344.66</b>	<b>\$ 277,300.49</b>	<b>\$ 267,126.96</b>



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## **CHOIR REPORT – 2021**

*If my lips could sing as many songs  
as there are waves in the sea;  
if my tongue could sing as many hymns  
as there are ocean billows;  
if my mouth filled the whole firmament with praise;  
if my face shone like the sun and moon together;  
if my hands were to hover in the sky like powerful eagles  
and my feet ran across mountains as swiftly as the deer;  
all that would not be enough to pay you fitting tribute,  
O Lord my God.  
Amen and Amen.*

(Hymn probably composed in the Talmudic period, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> century A.D.)

January through May our worship services were conducted on Zoom. We had hymn singers and soloists lead the congregation at home with wonderful, inspirational music.

May 16<sup>th</sup>, we held our first in-person worship service since March of 2020. It was good to see people in the pews again. October, we elected a new pastor, and in praise and thanks for all God has given to St. John's, we held a Thanksgiving Eve service. We also had two Christmas Eve services, which included youth and adult soloists, Chancel, Jubilation, and Handbell Choirs.

October 13<sup>th</sup> was the first rehearsal of the Chancel Choir since March of 2020. And Jubilation and Handbell Choirs returned October 18<sup>th</sup> for rehearsal. The Chancel Choir added a few new members, which we greatly appreciate.

While the first half of 2021 seemed similar to 2020, with meetings and services on zoom and no choirs rehearsing or singing, paying tribute to God is first and foremost. While times are trying and unsettling, God does deserve our thanks and praise.

Thank you to all of the singers and soloists who have participated in our worship services, and thank you to the members of the Chancel, Jubilation, and Handbell Choirs for their dedication and service to God.

*We worship* God with the music we provide. *We love* to sing praise to God. *We serve* with dedication to provide uplifting music for all to hear.

Gail A. Hanzl, Director of Music

# **Christian Education Report – 2021**

We started with meetings in September 2021 to develop ideas on how to gain an updated roster of kids and families. We worked on developing and sending surveys out to parents of school age children.

In October we purchased a curriculum called Celebrate Wonder that can be used with all age groups.

In December 2021, we planned to have a parent meeting on January 11, 2022 to re-engage parents and kids to the Sunday School program, however, due to COVID, we were not able to hold the meeting. We plan on rescheduling this event when the church is reopened and it is safe to do so.

Jennifer Rarich

# **Church Usage Committee Report – 2021**

Highlights of 2021

- Renewed lease of the 501 Property
- Held Meeting in November Concerning Setup of Rules and Usage of the New Church Pavilion

The Groups using the Church Facilities / Properties in 2021

- Christian Early Learning Center
- The Girl Scout Troop – Junior Troop Number 6038 - In 2021 the Troop did not meet due to the Pandemic
- Rental of Fox Hall was limited due to the Pandemic and when the Church Reopened it was limited to a small number of attendees
- 501 Rental Property
- Zumba Classes resumed late in the year due to the Pandemic Shutdown on Saturdays. It was requested that beginning in 2022 a class will be added on Wednesday Evenings
- Valley Youth Classes were not held due to the Pandemic in 2021

Chair: Gary Weaver

Committee Members: Kenda Catalini, Sharon Foellner, Tracy Glass, Gary Weaver

# Crafters Group - 2021

The Crafters Group is happy to report that, in spite of the pandemic, craft sales were returning to just about normal for 2021. After a year’s absence, we were able to participate at the Annual Yard Sale in Leisure Point, Delaware, in August and at Jinny Hess’s Cinnamon and Spice Holiday Gift and Craft Show in November. We found innovative ways to promote our items through advertising in the newsletter and with a Multi-Purpose Drive-By event on October 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Grape Street parking lot.

**It is with deep gratitude that we would like to thank the following people who made items throughout the year: Ruthann Hallman, Emma Kuczek, Emilie Moyer, Carol Raszler, Paul Raszler, and Sharon Romberger.** We would also be remiss if we didn’t thank the many people who made prayer shawls and prayer squares this past year. A thank you goes to **Judy Miranda** for donating over 75 hard-cover craft books, over 175 craft leaflets and brochures, and almost 300 knitting needles and crochet hooks—all of which can be used by our crafters or what was also made available for sale.

The following events took place during 2021 and produced the following sales:

Dates	Events	Sales
January to May	Winter & Spring Sales	\$114.00
June to August	Summer Sales	\$224.75
August 14	Leisure Point Yard Sale	\$222.00
September	End of Summer Sales	\$167.50
October 2	Multi-Purpose Drive-By	\$235.00
October to November	Fall & Thanksgiving Sales	\$272.00
November 24 to 28	Hess Gift & Craft Show	\$485.75
December	Miscellaneous Donation	\$ .61

Several new items we introduced this year: the very popular bowl cozies, patchwork table runners, fabric baskets, and casserole totes.

For the year we had sales totaling \$1,721.61, rebounding from the start of the pandemic by selling more than two and a half times what we sold in 2020. A total of \$87.61 was taken out for expenses (supplies). **The final profit for the year was \$1,634.00.** At the end of the year any monetary profit from the craft sales is earmarked towards Mission Outreach. For 2021 the Mission Committee designated the profit be divided equally between the following:

- Lehigh Conference of Churches (General Fund) - \$408.50
- Sixth Street Shelter - \$408.50
- Valley Youth House - \$408.50
- Zion’s UCC (Jubilee Breakfast Ministry) - \$408.50

Hands are needed not only to knit, crochet, or sew but also to assemble, cut, glue, stuff, and label. There is a spot available to anyone no matter what your skill level is or what you might wish to do. The Crafters Group is not only for women; we have men working on projects as well. All projects are worked on out of

the home; we do not meet on a regular basis. We supply the materials; you supply the hands! New ideas are always welcome and encouraged.

Again, thank you to all those who participated in 2021 and to everyone who purchased our items over the course of this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Raszler  
Crafters Group Coordinator



## St. John's Endowment Fund--2021

Our Endowment Fund is a financial tool whereby donated monies are protected and accumulate over time. Its operation is governed by a legal document (policy) which guides how monies are invested and how much of the fund's growth may be spent. By law, monies donated to an endowment may never be spent. In the case of St. John's, the formula for allowable withdrawals provides an income stream to be used to supplement our operating budget.

Since December of 2020 our fund has grown \$469,0000 to a December 31,2021 balance of \$539,650. Not reflected in those numbers, is a late December donation of \$20,000 from the Eichman family to honor and memorialize Nancy, their wife and mother.

In 2021, as per our memorial policy, we were able to withdraw and apply over \$21,000 to our annual budget. Since its inception this fund has contributed nearly a quarter of a million dollars to our budgets--which has been a significant factor in our being able to have balanced budgets over the last number of years.

This may raise the question of why would one contribute to such a fund? The answer is that gifts are made because of a desire to **honor** or **memorialize** a loved one. Accordingly, in the rear of the sanctuary is our **Legacy Tree** which is a visual acknowledgement of such gifts. (The guiding policy for such gifts is also posted there.) When we return to in-house services, take a few minutes to look at the plaques honoring those who have been so recognized.

Looking forward, is there someone you would like to **honor** or **memorialize**? If so, consider a gift to the Endowment Fund. As was indicated, your gifts can never be spent, but they do contribute to the fund's growth which in turn provides an ever-increasing revenue stream. As the saying goes, it is a "gift that keeps on giving."

John Viglione

## **Food Pantry**

The Whitehall Pantry had another successful year in 2021, despite COVID. Donated items and items received from Second Harvest Food Bank are selected and packed into boxes and bags on the 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Monday mornings of each month at host, St. Stephens Episcopal Church. The packed items are then distributed to approximately 100 local families per month in the respective evenings.

St. Johns UCC Fullerton has about 25 excellent volunteers who joyously donate their time and energy on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month. Many thanks to Bill Meckes, who retired last year from coordinating SJF's role at the Food Pantry for many years. New volunteers are always welcome. Donated food items are always welcome and include all canned goods, spaghetti sauce and pasta, peanut butter and jelly and pancake mix and syrup.

A shopping cart for donated items may be found in the church parlor. Monetary contributions are also needed for special foods such as holiday turkey and grocery store gift cards. Thank you, St. Johns.

We Serve.

Gary Black

## **“FUN” Raising Committee - 2021 Year End Report**

The year 2021 certainly was again very challenging in so many ways. The St. John's "Fun" Raising Committee worked diligently through these tough times despite many events being canceled due to COVID-19. The events that we were able to hold supported the financial needs of the church as well as providing fun and fellowship for the members. Despite the earnings being leaner, we have continued the practice of assisting to raise money for various missions that the church supports by tithing 10% of all fundraisers to these outside agencies.

St John's is known for providing many yummy choices of things to eat. We had the Pastie Sale in April and October, take out chicken dinner in October, return of the Filling Sale in November and Chocolate peanut butter and coconut eggs in December. We sold Joe Corbi pizza kits for the first time in August. We also had an ice cream social in the parking lot in July which was well attended. We sold WAWA hoagie certificates through the month of December and sold out.

Throughout the year we continued to save our Redner's Tapes, and sold gift cards for Giant and Weis. We again held our Holiday Script gift card sale in December. For the fifth year, we held our nut sale and distributed them in the parking lot.

On the fun end of our committee, we were able to bring back the ever-popular Road Rally in October.

Unfortunately, many of our events became a casualty of the year 2021. We had to cancel our basket social, soup sales, and Iron Pigs games. We are hoping and praying to be able to resume many of these activities in the year to come.

The Committee is always looking for new ideas and events that are both enjoyable and profitable for the church. We are also always looking for creative people to join our committee to give us some fresh ideas.

The members of the committee are: Tracey Glass, Carol Raszler, Amy Feidler, Andria Dellago, Ginny Brokenshire, Jinny Hess, Carol Flores, Kenda Catalini and Tom Moyer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Weaver

"Fun" Raising Chairperson

## **Healthcare Committee Report - 2021**

The objective of this committee is to promote the spiritual and physical well-being of St. John's congregation. We continually provide information regarding healthy living tips and healthcare related topics through the church newsletter.

We submit interesting, health-related, articles in newsletters which focus on healthy living and how you can become a healthier you. Throughout the year, we keep a supply of health-related equipment for anyone who needs to borrow these items.

This year we continued our bereavement program facilitated by Evelyn Stupp. We are continuing to send sympathy cards to people who lost loved ones and following up with bereavement information. Evelyn spoke to the Adult Sunday School class about our program.

Our scheduled Keystone-Miller Blood Drive had to be canceled due to the pandemic. We thank all our donors who managed to get to one of their facilities to donate blood.




Spring and Fall of 2021 we sponsored the St. John's Walking Challenges. We had a great time. We look forward to 2022 Walking Challenges.

2021 has been another difficult year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We are hoping that before the end of 2022, we can continue doing blood pressure checks, diabetes testing, a fun Healthy Food Table and Keystone-Miller blood drives. 2021 all our meetings were held via Zoom.

We always welcome new members. You do not need a medical background to participate in the Healthcare Ministry. We look forward to serving you in 2022.

May you all be blessed with good health throughout 2022.

Committee members: Sharon Antrim, Linda Apple, Diana Beck, Ginny Brokenshire, (Chairperson), Marion DeMilio, Linda Smith, Evelyn Stupp



## **Lady PEEPS Women's Group - 2021**

Happy 2022 from the Lady PEEPS Women's Group!

In September 2021 St. John's wonderful women's group started meeting again. PEEPS stands for Positive, Extraordinary, Encouraging, Prayerful, Sisters!

September's program was about stretching our imaginations to find ways to serve both the lady's group and the church in the coming year "no matter what." It was led by Colleen Kulhamer who is continuing on as the Lady PEEPS leader. We began two things at this meeting that would continue thru December. We began bringing food contributions for the Whitehall Food Pantry and we started a donation jar to help pay for the new Pavilion.

October's meeting included guest speakers Evelyn Stupp and Becca Stephens, who shared their personal stories on how they felt the call to preach the gospel. These two ladies continue to serve God and help in the ministry of St. John's. We are grateful for all they do.

November's program gave us insight into the life of Jay Gilbert whose chosen occupation is funeral director for Gilbert's Funeral Home. Jay's story and his continued selfless acts of kindness are an inspiration to us all. He is a member of St. John's and serves his church and his community well.

In December the Lady PEEPS enjoyed a relaxing evening together. The program was entitled A Birthday Cake for Jesus! The story was told by Nancy Bowman and the cake was put together by Colleen Kulhamer and guest elf helper and confirmand, Laney Headman. Though the cake had a few issues, the story was interesting! We also played a Cake Quiz game and exchanged some blessing gifts that we each brought. We shared some delicious treats and lots of laughter.

Our Pavilion donations ended up totaling \$800. I am so blessed to spend these monthly meetings with these very generous and special ladies. This women's group is open to all of St. John's ladies. So come join in the fun and make some new friends in 2022!

Colleen Kulhamer - Lady PEEPS leader

## Mission Committee - 2021

The Mission Committee continued to face challenges again in 2021 due to the pandemic. We conducted all seven of our meetings by Zoom. Those who served on this committee were: Gary Black, Marion DeMilio, Bob Dougherty, Nancy Dougherty, Kim Hillegass, Jean McGonigle (Chairperson), and Carol Raszler (Secretary). Rev. Bonnie Moore, our Interim Senior Pastor, joined us for our meetings until she left in August; and we were happy to welcome Rev. Steve Davis, our new permanent Senior Pastor, in December. It was with regret that we accepted the resignations of Bill Meckes and Connie Viglione over the course of the year. We commend these two individuals for their dedication and years of service to this committee.

*The following Mission Projects were carried out by the Mission Committee in 2021:*

CROP WALK: With Covid-19 guidelines still in place, walkers could either walk on their own or do a drive-by of the ten-mile route. The official date of the walk was October 10. We were happy that St. John's Healthcare Ministry conducted their fall "Walking Challenge" to coincide with this event. Contributions were received in the amount of \$756.00.

JUBILEE BREAKFAST MINISTRY: This ministry is held at Zion's UCC, 620 Hamilton St., Allentown, from November through April from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. In spite of the pandemic, the Breakfast Ministry continued. No meals were served in the church; however, clients could get their meals in take-out containers and could pick them up at the church's back door. Thank you to Nancy Dougherty who represented St. John's in this endeavor.

LEHIGH CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES – "VALLEY OVER THE EDGE": The purpose of this event was to raise money to help local families and individuals in crisis and to continue and strengthen the life-changing and life-saving programs operated by LCC. Each volunteer needed to raise \$500.00 for the opportunity to rappel off a 13-story building in downtown Allentown. Originally scheduled for May 30, 2020, the event was postponed to May 22, 2021. We had four eager volunteers who came forward to rappel off the building: Pastor David Quinn, Paul Raszler, Joe

Trippet, and Roxanne DeMilio. Unfortunately, the pandemic continued; and the event was again canceled. The LCC has no plans to resurrect this event in the future.

MASK MINISTRY: With mask guidelines still in place, we continued to offer masks to everyone at no charge, but it was suggested that a donation be made to St. John's. A special thank you goes to Jinny Hess for sewing all the masks for this outreach. At the end of December, 26 masks were given away, and \$126.00 in donations were received to be used for St. John's "Operating Expenses." Since the start of the pandemic in 2020, we have given away 301 masks and received \$1,649.00 in donations.

MULTI-PURPOSE DRIVE-BY: Due to the pandemic, the church was closed for half a year and guidelines were in place for in-person worship. With limitations as to what could be done in the church building, there was a need to conduct a drive-by event. It was held on Saturday, October 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Grape St. parking lot. The following committees came together to join in this event: Mission, "Fun"Raising, Worship and Music, and also the Crafters Group. Donations were received for the CROP Walk and canned goods for the Whitehall Food Pantry. People could sign-up for fundraising events like the Chicken Dinner, Pastie Sale, Candy Sale and Potato Filling Sale, and people could purchase WAWA hoagie coupons and Weis, Giant, and Scrip gift cards. Members could sign-up to sponsor the new Wheat Basket and sign-up to be ushers and greeters. The Crafters Group had a display of all their craft items that were for sale as well as masks for the Mask Ministry.

MITTEN TREE PROJECT: For the second year in a row, no Christmas gifts were purchased because of the pandemic. The congregation was asked to send in monetary donations for either Phoebe Ministries or Valley Youth House or both where the staff at each location would use the money to purchase Christmas gifts for their residents and clients. A total of \$670.00 was received and disbursed as follow:

- Phoebe Ministries – Phoebe is a multi-facility organization specializing in healthcare, housing, and support services for the elderly. Donations were received in the amount of \$320.00.
- Valley Youth House – Their mission is to help all youth who have been abused, ran away, or are homeless. Donations were received in the amount of \$350.00.

WHITEHALL-COPLAY HUNGER INITIATIVE COMMUNITY MEAL: Community meals by the WCHI were started up again in September when things seemed to ease up from the pandemic. In order to alleviate hunger, free meals were offered to anyone on the first Sunday and third Tuesday of the month at various locations from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Each church that hosted the event decided whether it was a sit-down or take-out meal and if masks had to be worn. Unfortunately, we are not in a position to offer meals at St. John's at this time; however, anyone could volunteer to help at whatever church is sponsoring the event.

WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATION DRIVE-BY: Over half of the students in WCSD rely on full or partial subsidies for lunches. Equipping a child with the needed school supplies can be an additional family burden. With some guidelines still in place at St. John's, the Mission Committee held a drive-by event on Saturday, July 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Grape Street parking lot. The congregation donated over 970 school items, 5 backpacks, 8 calculators, and \$25.00.

WHITEHALL FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry is located at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 3900 Mechanicsville Rd. in Whitehall. After many years of service, Bill Meckes resigned as St. John's liaison to the food pantry, and Gary Black took over Bill's duties. Our congregation supplied food during the year and sent volunteers to help at the pantry. We have about 25 volunteers who help on the fourth Monday of each month to sort, stock shelves, and hand out packaged items for the pantry's clients. Items collected for the Thanksgiving meal included canned fruit cocktail, canned sweet potatoes, and instant mashed potatoes. The Worship and Music Committee took on a new outreach this year where members could sponsor the Wheat Basket at the altar during worship with funds going to the food pantry. Thank you to everyone who donated canned and packaged groceries in 2021 as well as monetary donations amounting to \$4,745.00 for the year. The Wheat Basket sponsorship gave \$325.00 to the food pantry.

WHITEHALL FOOD PANTRY DRIVE-BY: Even though the church was closed for half a year because of the pandemic, it did not stop the Mission Committee from getting food supplies to the food pantry. A drive-by event was held on Saturday, May 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Grape Street parking lot. Thanks to the congregation, we received a carload of groceries and monetary contributions. Volunteers helped to deliver and sort the items at St. Stephen's.

*In 2021 St. John's continued to maintain our "5 for 5" status with UCC National thanks to the generosity of our members. The Mission Committee coordinated the following special offerings:*

OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION: Our congregational gifts give financial support to a wider UCC ministry through our Penn Northeast Conference and through national settings. Among other things, it funds the work done in our local conference. It invests in programs needed to keep local UCC churches strong. It assists in pastoral placement and education for church leaders. It exposes youth to retreats and regional and national youth events. Contributions were received all year long and totaled \$17,616.30 by the end of December.

CHRISTMAS FUND: This fund provides direct financial help to retired and active UCC authorized ministers and lay employees and their surviving spouses and includes pension and health supplementation. Contributions of \$666.80 were received in December.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED: One-third of the NIN's offering supports the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM) and two-thirds is administered by the Justice and Witness Ministries to support

a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. Contributions of \$496.00 were received in October.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: OGHS supports partners in countries with ministries that fund health, education, and agricultural development; emergency relief; refugee ministries; and both international and domestic disaster response. Contributions of \$866.80 were received in March.

STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH: It supports church growth; pastoral and lay leadership development; and youth and young adult ministries within the conference. Contributions of \$170.00 were received in May.

*The St. John's Crafters Group was hard at work all year long making craft items (see their report). With some covid restrictions lifted, more sales events were held, mostly outside. The total profit from this year's sales amounted to \$1,634.00. The Mission Committee designated the 2021 profit be divided evenly with \$408.50 going to each of the following: Lehigh Conference of Churches (General Fund), Sixth Street Shelter, Valley Youth House, and Zion's UCC (Jubilee Breakfast Ministry).*

*It is the policy of St. John's to give 10% in tithing from our fundraisers to Mission Outreach. The continuing pandemic was responsible for few fundraisers being held again this year. This past year the 10% tithing amounted to \$538.35, which was divided equally among the following charities or organizations:*

- Lehigh Conference of Churches (General Fund) - \$145.84. The LCC includes 140 congregations and faith-based organizations. They seek to unite people through community services, ecumenical ministry, and advocacy for social justice.
- Sixth Street Shelter - \$145.84. The shelter provides temporary housing for Lehigh Valley homeless families with children and provides opportunities and direction for all people to become self-sufficient, productive members of the community.
- Valley Youth House - \$145.84. Its mission is to help all youth and their families, those who have been abused, ran away, or are homeless.
- Zion's UCC (Jubilee Breakfast Ministry) - \$145.84. From November to April and three times a week, hot breakfasts are provided to the homeless, the working poor, and anyone in need of food.

It should also be mentioned that the Mission Committee advertised and promoted where donations could be made to three disaster events that occurred in 2021. Members could send in contributions to UCC's Disaster Relief for the Surf Side Condo Collapse in Florida, Haiti Relief from earthquakes and hurricanes, and Gulf and East Coast Relief from Hurricane Ida. Lehigh Conference of Churches held a "One Night Without a Home" event in November to raise the awareness of homelessness. This year's Confirmation Class collected \$487.92 from three Sunday worship services and an additional \$100.00 from on-line contributions.

The Mission Committee is always looking for more people to join our committee. If you've wondered how you can be part of "We Worship, We Love, We Serve, No Matter What," you will find a great deal of satisfaction by serving on this outreach committee.

Thank you to the members of St. John's whose generosity of time, talent, and treasure gave hope and aid to the less fortunate in our local community, our state, our country, and countries around the world.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean McGonigle, Chairperson

Carol Raszler, Secretary

## **Pavilion - 2021**

The eagerly-awaited pavilion was completed in 2021.

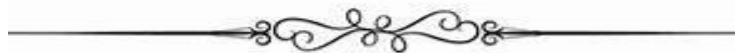
Church Usage will be finalizing rules for its use as well as a rate structure for individuals or groups wishing to hold events on the site. Watch for updates on these items in the near future.

It is expected that this facility will be available by Spring for both church members as well members (groups) from the community

Financially, our loan to Cornerstone totals about \$85,000. There are a few items which may raise that total. These include purchase of additional chairs, installing safety fencing around the detention pond and the possible installation of a camera security system.

Funding of the loan will come from two sources: First, is the money we lent to ourselves for the upgrade of the heating system. Our outstanding debt is just over \$20,000. The second is the additional line item on church envelopes titled Furnace loan.

With these two initiatives, it is hoped we can quickly move to reduce our debt.



## **Personnel Committee Report - 2021**

This year turned out to be a slow year for the Personnel committee due to the ongoing pandemic. Our new Office Administrator began in January with very little support but did begin. Pastor Bonnie worked with Debbie to help her get started. In April we had a 3 month review to see where help was needed. As the year progressed we were able to bring Susan Kudar, our previous OA, to help Debbie.

Pastor Bonnie continued to have regular services and activities using ZOOM until opening with restrictions in May. We were unable to get staff reviews done before Pastor Bonnie left at the beginning of August. We did complete reviewing and clarifying job descriptions.

Personnel was involved in getting some of the paperwork ready as we began plans to welcome a new Senior Pastor. In November we welcomed Pastor Steve as our Senior Pastor. In December a meeting was held with Pastor Steve and chair of the committee.

A personal word to end this report. I have enjoyed serving as chair of Personnel for the last 10 years but decided it was time to turn over the reins to someone else.

Our goal as a committee is to support and work with the incredible staff we have at St. John's. Hopefully we will be getting back to something more normal in 2022.

Committee members:

Don Foellner, Paul Raszler, Tim Silfies, Carol O'Connell, Sharon Czekner  
(Part of the year - Pastor Bonnie)

Respectfully submitted,  
Connie Viglione, Chairperson



## **Property Committee Report - 2021**

The 2021 Property Committee included Charlie Apple (Chairperson), Gary Black, Bob Czekner, Paul Geissinger, Michelle Gutekunst, Wayne Lichtenwalner, Pete Mohr, Roger Schneck, John Viglione and Gary Weaver. We are responsible for the care and maintenance of all church owned buildings and grounds, including the 501 rental property and the "Field of Dreams", with its newly-added pavilion. Supporting and overseeing the functions and duties of the custodial staff is also part of our mission. When possible, we try to conserve funds by performing necessary tasks ourselves or by seeking qualified volunteers from within the church family. We secure bids and contract with outside vendors to do work that cannot be done by volunteers or by the custodial staff. Again in 2021, usage of the church was greatly curtailed due to the continuing COVID-19 Pandemic. Nevertheless, the Property Committee remained active and addressed many essential issues illustrated by the following examples:

- Inadequate natural gas supply pressure prevented us from installing a new generator to power our emergency lighting system. Instead, we contracted with GC Electric to install a pair of "inverters" (devices that convert battery DC to 120VAC) to operate the emergency

lights. The required power was minimized by the replacement of incandescent and florescent bulbs with LED's.

- Limited church usage allowed the custodial staff to perform additional useful tasks not necessarily in their job descriptions. Examples include: mowing of the Field of Dreams, painting of the elevator corridor and doors in Fellowship Hall and performing inventories of items in various storage areas throughout the church.
- The 501 rental house required the services of a plumber to install a new water heater and to repair a leaking shower. Also, an electrician was required on two occasions to replace faulty circuit breakers. Replacement of a burned out oven element and several minor repairs and chores were done by Property personnel.
- We arranged and prepared for several required inspections and certifications including a Loss Control Inspection by our insurance carrier (passed with no citations) as well as boiler inspections and an elevator hydraulic test required by the state. We also worked with our security provider toward achieving NFPA fire code certification for our fire alarm system as required by the township.
- We contracted with A. Kunsman Co. to perform the necessary repairs to prolong the life of the three-gabled slate roof over the south end of the church school.
- Aging hardware on the outside entrance doors of the church caused problems that required professional attention. On several occasions in 2021 we used the services of Stiles & Rails to repair door latching problems. Replacement of worn out hinges on the Grape St. main entrance doors was required to eliminate binding on the threshold.
- Examples of odd jobs performed by Property members are: repair of loose carpet tiles, painting of the new pavilion bathrooms, winterizing of the pavilion, locating the property corners of the Field of Dreams, decorating and de-decorating of the church for Christmas, trimming overgrown shrubs at the 501 house and along the parking lot, changing of HVAC filters and removal of masonry debris on the ceiling tiles in the dishwasher room.

Among the additional concerns that we expect to deal with in 2022 are: identifying and remedying the causes of moisture intrusion into the walls of the sanctuary and rear tower, repairing or replacing the deteriorating concrete steps at the alley-side entrance of the church school and the extra work and expense required to maintain and operate the new pavilion.

Your continuing financial support is vital in helping us accomplish the work of maintaining our beautiful church. The Property Committee welcomes new members with fresh ideas. Special skills are not required – you must simply care about the physical condition of God's House! Please contact any Property member if you are interested in joining us or just in serving as an occasional volunteer. Charlie Apple, Property Committee Chairperson



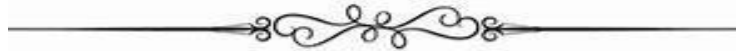
## **Publications and Publicity - 2021**

The need to keep parishioners informed of the many changes affecting our church has been a challenge this year. We have tackled the need to provide information and service to those who enjoy internet access at the same time ensuring those who are not connected receiving the same quality of information.

Once the church doors opened for weekly services, we realized our Grape Street bulletin board was the perfect site to provide access to members and potential members visiting the church. We chose to use this vehicle to announce new pastors, mission projects, highlights of our church's accomplishments and spreading the word of God.

We could not have provided ongoing information without our faithful members: Emilie Moyer, Janet Ebert, Nancy Keister, Cheryl Weaver, Nancy Bowman, Colleen Kulhamer, Carol Raszler and Deb Hoffmann

Amy Feidler - Chairperson



## **The Search Committee - 2021**

The Search Committee members would like to begin by thanking all of you for your faith in the Lord, your patience with your Search Committee and your trust in our decisions. This has been an incredible journey for all of us and one of the most rewarding years of our lives.

In December 2020, we met for the first time with Rev. Dr. Bonnie Bates, Conference Minister and Pastor Bonnie Moore, our interim pastor. The amount of information and documents we were given were overwhelming and we decided early on that weekly meetings were a necessity. Each week we reviewed and evaluated all information collected for our profile. All members contributed their time and efforts until finally in May we had an acceptable profile to send to applicants. We were told this was done in record time! We prayed, we bonded in brotherly love and we strived to serve St. John's to bring the perfect match to its pulpit.

We received a total of 16 resumes and began conducting interviews, some for a second time. We would meet via zoom after each one to evaluate and discuss; sometimes from vacation spots, in cars while driving or during kids sports activities. We prayed for guidance and our resolve did not waver – we would not settle for anybody just to fill the position no matter how discouraged we were getting. Along the way we met some very interesting people who were

not quite right for St. John's but we felt fortunate to have met – they were true brothers and sisters in Christ.

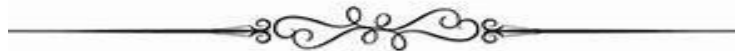
Finally, we received an application from Rev. Steve Davis. He had many years of experience from the conservative United Methodist denomination and the progressive United Church of Christ denomination. We listened to his sermons online. They were inspirational, riveting and infused with humorous anecdotes. He was committed to community service, and spoke out for justice and equality. We asked for an interview – it lasted almost two hours. Immediately after we wanted to know more and scheduled a second. We knew without a doubt that God had answered our prayers. It was unanimous among the members.

Visitation weekend was held October 23 – 24 2021. On that Sunday, Pastor Steve was voted in as our new senior pastor by a majority vote of 93.2%! It was a cumulation of all of our prayers, our love for God and St. John's and hopes of serving our church and church family to the very best of our abilities. On a chilly day a month later, a large welcoming party waited at the front door of Pastor Steve and Bill's new home to help them move in.

We have been told what a great job we did. We appreciate the kind words, but we would not have gotten very far without the Lord's guidance and the support and encouragement of every one of you. One candidate asked us during an interview what our strength was. Our answer was our fellowship with each other and our unified community service. May it always be so.

St. John's UCC Fullerton Search Committee

Sharon Czekner, Kenda Catalini, Wendy Fox, Pete Mohr, Paul Raszler and Susan Rarich



## **Spiritual Council Report - 2021**

St. John's UCC ,Fullerton's Spiritual Council consists of active Elders and the Senior Pastor. The 2021 Spiritual Council Elders included Marion DeMilio (Sr. Elder), Brian Fisher and Bill Fink. These individuals are challenged to be prayerful, faithful, and confidential. We are united to speak the truth in our effort to build up the body of believers at St. John's UCC, Fullerton. This is a sacred responsibility and privilege to work together and seek the heart of God and we take it seriously.

Spiritual Council meets before the monthly Consistory meetings. We have a devotional and then discuss any joys or concerns that are brought by our members, and act as support and offer counsel to the Senior Pastor for all items shared. All St. John's members should feel free to speak with any member of the Spiritual Council about any of their concerns.

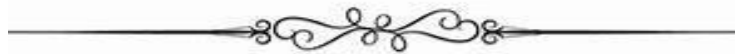
To be an Elder is a joy to serve the Lord in this vital capacity as to be enthusiastic and welcoming to all.

Along with serving on the Consistory, Elders prepare the elements for communion and assisting the Senior Pastor in serving the sacrament. The Senior Elder is in charge seeing all aspects assigned for special worship services are carried out accordingly.

Jointly submitted,

Marion DeMilio, 2021 Consistory President / Senior Elder

Rev. Steven Davis, Senior Pastor



## **Stars Committee Report - 2021**

The stars committee promoted the St. John's Mission statement by allowing a more refined approach to virtual worship. We had a new camera installed along with a new device that allows better production for our services while they are streamed online.

We also had new ambient microphones installed and our sound system tweaked to better capture sounds from the church while livestreaming. The company which helped us set up the new microphones also changed the wiring to the back two screens in the sanctuary which are used by the pastoral staff during service. This allowed the picture to be a clean clear image for easier readability.

Two laptops were donated to the church and a guide was provided for committee meetings to be held while using zoom. A new projector was ordered for the sanctuary as well so we could display during worship and meetings.

## ***Visitation Committee - 2021***

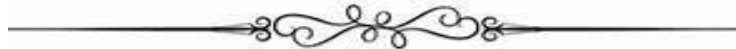
We currently have 15 Members and 25 Shut Ins. We started off making our monthly phone calls since the threat of COVID was high. As it lowered we started going out to visit again. What a welcome we received.

Again COVID came into our lives and we are back to phone calls. Many thanks were given for our Christmas Card shower. It meant so much to them. A visit or a call, they love them all.

Each Shutin has their own story to tell. Everyone is different, yet in some aspects, the same. What an awesome way to get out into the community and spend a little time, now a phone call, with someone who is lonely or just needs a little pick me up to get through their day. If this sounds like something you may be interested in, new members are always welcome. Take good care.

Many blessings,

Pat Thompson



## ***Music and Worship / Altar Guild - 2021***

The committee had a busy year with a couple new programs and multiple pastors to lead the congregation. Rev. Bonnie Moore led the congregation through zoom worship and into the summer to open the Sanctuary to the congregation for services. Rebecca Stephens and Evelyn Stupp from the St. John's congregation also helped lead worship. Rev. Jameson Baxter was the Bridge Pastor through fall until our new Senior Pastor, Rev. Steven Davis, arrived.

The worship committee and altar guild did a great job supporting services and making a nice atmosphere for zoom worship. For Palm Sunday the altar guild decorated the altar area with palms and our resident donkey. A new program of pulpit banners was started to enhance zoom worship by Ellen Sagazio. The Easter flower sale by Margaret Young made for a beautiful altar on Easter Sunday and a wonderful display for the outside Easter Service. The group also supported the outside confirmation service for the 2021 confirmation class. Cheryl Weaver did a great job scheduling the scripture readers for worship. Linda Apple and Ellen Sagazio also scheduled ushers and coordinated with the acolytes to make a welcome atmosphere for the congregation. The committee sponsored a farewell fellowship time for Pastor Bonnie. Emilie Moyer played piano in fall to cover while Gail was recovering from surgery.

For fall the group decorated with mums for harvest home and set up candles in the windows. The new wheat basket on the altar was also started to support the Whitehall food pantry, and

children craft kits were ordered to support the education task force. Emilie Moyer also found some nice bulletin covers and coordinated with the communications group to work on visitor gift bags. For advent the group decorated the sanctuary with evergreen, and the Christmas season brought poinsettia and candle light.

Thank you to everyone on the committee who helped throughout the year with altar guild duties. The reopening of the church to our congregation was a big undertaking for all of the staff of St. John's. A big thank you to Gail Hanzl the music director who made music possible in many different ways through the year of COVID.

Ellen Sagazio

Music and Worship committee chairperson



## ***Youth Ministry Report – 2021***

In mid-September the Confirmation Task Force met for the first time to work out all the logistics of offering a confirmation class in the midst of a pandemic.

Members include Brian Fisher, Wendy Fox, Jill Williams, along with Linda Powell and Wayne Lichtenwalner who are assisting with teaching the class.

I am grateful for the input and support of the Task Force. Having Linda & Wayne in the classroom, whether in-person or virtual makes it possible

to divide the class of 14 into smaller groups. As we look ahead to the Confirmation Sunday on May 1, we will be discussing ways to keep these

young people engaged in the life of this congregation post-confirmation, as well as offering suggestions for next year's class.

What a blessing it is to have the confirmands and their families with us for in-person worship.

Respectfully submitted,

Becca Stephens, Clergy teacher 2021/2022 Confirmation Class



# Groups Sponsored By Our Church



Since the church building was closed from March 2020 to May 2021 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, there are no reports from these groups.

## **Bowling Team – 2021**

Donald Schneck - St Johns Holy Rollers

## **Valley Youth House – 2021**

Kara Williams, B.A. – Program Coordinator Respite/Mentor

## **Junior Girl Scout Troop – 2021**

Jen Harper, Leader – Girl Scout Troop 6038

## **St. John's Softball Team - 2021**

Donald Schneck – St. John's Softball Team

## ***Christian Early Learning Center - 2021***

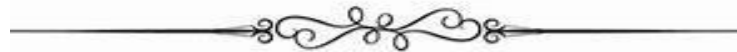
The Christian Early Learning Center at St John's UCC Fullerton is a program offering classes to 3–5-year-olds. We run Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings. We have been able to maintain an in-person classroom. We started the school year with 13 Students and now currently have 14 students enrolled.

Throughout the year we have focused on academics such as the alphabet, letters, numbers, and shapes. Along with crafts, learning how to share and take turns and following directions we have a well-rounded group of students.

With a few big changes this School year we have maintained a steady and healthy class by wearing masks, washing hands often, and constant disinfecting. We are looking forward to growing this preschool program as the years come.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jazmin Smith, Director



## ***Zumba Class – 2021***

Join me, Tara Miller, for ZUMBA® classes in Fox Hall, Wednesday nights 6:30-7:30 pm and Saturday mornings 9:30-10:30 am. Zumba® is a Latin-inspired dance fitness program, where you are burning calories & exercising without even knowing it! But it's also more than that- it's a place where you make lasting friendships, support one another, smile so much your cheeks hurt, sweat your stress away, and feel good- physically & mentally after taking a class! Hope you'll join us! Plenty of room to dance like no one is watching!

Tara Miller – Zumba Instructor