



2022 Annual Report



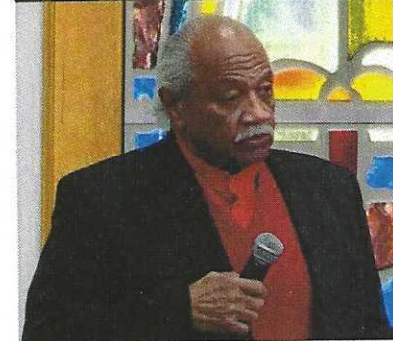
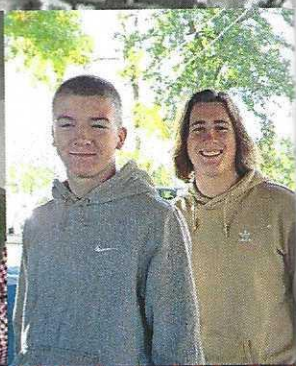
"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer."

Romans 12:12



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

401 West 13th Street, Ottawa, Kansas



**Annual Congregation Meeting
Westminster Presbyterian Church
January 29, 2023**

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Moderator, Rev. Dr. Ronald Patton

Financial Report for 2022

Mark Reynolds

**Review of Budget and Projected
Revenue for 2023**

Mark Reynolds

Old Business

New Business

- **Election of Members-At-Large for Nominating Ministry Team
Chris Bean and Dawn Ferguson**
- **Election of Deacons
Clifford Burke and Deanna Fox**
- **Election of Endowment Team Members
Wayne Baylor and Debbie Dunn**

Adjournment

Necrology Report

Nancy Hatfield

Closing Prayer

Rev. Dr. Ronald Patton

2022 Staff

Reverend Mark Hutton (January-June).....Pastor
Megan Bathory (April-December).....Christian Education Director
Dale Fox.....Choir Director
Deanna Fox.....Treasurer
Linda Tucker.....Accounts Receivable
Donna Greenawald.....Office Manager
Kenny Nelson.....Youth Director
Linda Rishel.....Organist/Pianist
Dean Harris.....Assistant Organist/Pianist
Terri and Jeff Thompson.....Custodians
Cyndi Brewer, Ashley Lloyd, Tammy Gorton, Terri Thompson, Nancy Hatfield
(substitute).....Nursery Attendants
Dom Nation.....Computer Services

Elders

Mrs. Megan Bathory, Mr. Paul Bean, Mr. Chris Brewer, Mrs. Beverly Colbern, Mrs. Paula Mages,
Mrs. Leslie McManus

Clerk of Session

Mrs. Nancy Hatfield

Deacons

Rev. Clifford Burke (July-December), Mrs. Dorothy Chaney (July-December), Ms. Donna
Greenawald, Mrs. Debbie Hutton (January-June), Mrs. LaDora Jackson (January-June),
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2022 New Members

March 27, 2022

Anna Bricker
Erin Bennett (Bricker)
Jeff McManus

Reaffirmation of Faith
Reaffirmation of Faith
Transfer of Membership

2022 Vital Statistics

Baptisms

Infant/Child
Adult

1
0

Weddings

0

In Memory Of

Melva Jane Shields
Trevor Riley
Donna Dunn
Glenna Lu 'Susie' Whitacre
Dorothy Chaney

February 28, 2022
April 10, 2022
July 13, 2022
August 7, 2022
December 27, 2022

2022 Clerk of Session Report

Total Members – December 31, 2021 147

Additions

Profession of Faith	0
Reaffirmation of Faith	2
Transfer of Membership	1
Moved from Inactive to Active	0
Moved from Active to Inactive by Act of Session	0

Total Members – December 31, 2022 150

Removals

Deaths	5
Transfers	3

Total Members – December 31, 2022 142

Baptisms

Infant/Child	1
Adult	0

Communion Administered to the Congregation 13

Weddings 0

Funerals 2

Meetings

Stated Session	10
Called Session	2
Called Congregational	3

Nancy Hatfield
Clerk of Session

Personnel Ministry Team

Annual Report 2022

The Personnel Ministry Team provides guidance, recommendations and input into the recruitment, compensation, employee evaluations and personnel matters for Westminster Presbyterian Church. The ministry team is comprised of Angela Lisle, Steve Warren, Wayne Baylor, and Bev Colbern (Moderator).

2022 Personnel changes:

- Megan Bathroy accepted the Christian Education position on 04/24/2022. We have been blessed with her service. She goes above and beyond her duties and expectations, with one of those being meeting with Small Steps once a week for Worship.
- Pastor Mark informed Session members during their May 16, 2022 meeting that he had accepted a NEW CALL IN COLORADO which was a surprise to everyone. His last day in the pulpit was June 19, 2022, and last day with Westminster Presbyterian was June 30, 2022.

All staff members completed Self Staff Reviews. They were reviewed by the Personnel Ministry team.

Pastor Budget for 2023

The terms of call below are yearly amounts and could change based on negotiations with selected pastor.

Salary	\$35,750
Housing Allowance	\$29,250
Total Effective Salary	\$65,000

Vacation Leave	4 weeks
Continuing Education Leave	2 weeks

Respectfully submitted
Bev Colbern
Personnel ministry team Moderator

WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM 2022

2022 has been an interesting year for all, including your Worship Ministry Team. We began the year under the guidance of Pastor Mark Hutton. Things were moving along very smoothly – the usher teams were effective, the communion stewards were in place, technology was doing well, etc. It seemed that everything was going well. And, then, Pastor Mark was called to pastor a church in Colorado. As of June 30, 2022, Westminster Presbyterian Church was without a pastor. It was at that time that things really changed for the Worship Team.

We began by looking at our worship service to see if there were places where the flow could be better. It seemed that we were sitting and standing a lot. Some individuals said that it was difficult to hear. Donna has done a super job of filling our pulpit with the clergy available. She has worked hard to find ordained ministers to fill our pulpit on Sunday mornings. We had to change the date for communion because we could not find someone to come on the first Sunday of the month. We've had some difficulty with weather and illness. (We do live in Kansas!) Thank you, Donna for your work.

We did change a few things in our service. We moved the choir anthem to an earlier spot. The congregation is now singing a call to worship, and we are trying to involve our congregation in the music of the church. We reinstated playing a bell prior to the organist beginning the prelude.

One thing that has remained a staple, and a significant part of our worship, is the superior work done by our Technology team. Our "Tech Team" is GREAT. They are able to make an eight-voice choir sound like a balanced 25 voice group, and their movement and camera shots during a worship service greatly enhance the worship experience of our Live Stream attendees. Our tech team includes Aaron Nichols, Chad Lisle, and Dominic Nation. These three gentlemen do an exceptionally fine job. Westminster Presbyterian Church is indeed blessed to have Aaron, Chad, and Dominic working in this area.

Our goals for 2023 are the following:

1. Continue to serve our congregation and bring meaningful worship opportunities and experiences.
2. Continue to seek new members to the Worship Ministry Team - we continually need team members that will provide us with feedback on all aspects of our worship. Most of our members are staff and have responsibilities during the service that interferes with them seeing and noting a general flow in the service. Thus, we need some people who are open to looking at our services in total, not just in isolated parts.

3. To be sure that our worship planning intentionally includes, and is geared to, the folks joining us from home.

We ask for your help in reaching these goals by joining the worship team, encouraging those you may know who are interested in joining, and keeping our worship team in your prayers.

The Worship Ministry Team is looking forward to another great year here at Westminster. We would like to thank the members of the church for their love and support for the work we do to make a smooth and spiritually enlightened worship service for all who walk through the door.

Special thanks to the 2022 members of the Worship Ministry Team: Megan Bathory, Dawn Ferguson, Dale Fox, Donna Greenawald, Dean Harris, and Linda Rishel.

**Yours in Christ,
Dale Fox**

2022 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In 2022 Megan Bathory was hired as the Director of Christian Education. Megan and the following members organized activities and/or chaired sub-committees sponsored by the Christian Education Committee:

Jessica Callaghan	Nancy Hatfield	Jenise Hepner	Ashley Lloyd
Paula Patterson	Karen Reynolds	Kenny Nelson	

Nancy Hatfield served as the representative from the Christian Education Committee to the Nominating Committee.

Meetings were held as needed on the first Monday or Wednesday of the month at 5:30.

CYG – Ken Nelson continued to serve Westminster as Youth Director during 2022, we are blessed with his leadership and work with the youth. The Community Youth Group stayed strong this year. They met at Crosspointe Church on Sunday evenings. An average of 20 youth participated in praise worship, Bible discussion, and fellowship activities. A Valentine's Dinner fundraiser was held in February to raise funds for the mission trip. The mission trip to Milwaukee, in June, went well. Ashtyn Finch represented WPC.

SUNDAY SCHOOL– Sunday School had some exciting changes this year! The name for our classes changed from DIGG (Delighting In God's Grace) to simply, Sunday Classes. We combined the youth age group (6th grade-college) in with the adult class and added breakfast. The younger students were separated into two classes; Prek-1st and 2nd-5th grades. The Follow Me curriculum was newly adopted and taught by a rotation of teachers. The attendance in Sunday Classes grew this fall, especially in the adult/youth class with the highest attendance day at 22 on Rally Sunday! On average; the younger classes had 4 students and adults averaged 6. Feedback for the Sunday Classes this year has been positive.

Easter Egg Hunt– The CE Team, in partnership with Fellowship Committee, was able to get back to our "normal" tradition of breakfast and an Easter Egg Hunt before church. There was a huge turn-out for the Easter Egg Hunt, and even though the weather didn't cooperate, our Youth hid eggs in the church classrooms and hallways. The Easter Bunny (thank you, Andrew Patterson) even visited to take pictures with the kids! 24 Easter treat bags were handed out to the kids. It was a great time for all!

Graduation –This year we only had 1 WPC high school graduate. Abby Sands had the opportunity to share a bio and was pictured in the newsletter and on our website. She was recognized in service on May 1st and presented with a \$50.00 gift card to Brand'N Iron, a devotional, and a cake. Praise God for Abby and all the graduates of 2022!

VBS- The CE Team planned VBS this year, still being mindful of Covid restrictions and precautions. By God's grace we were able to hold in-person VBS! It was held June 15th-17th 9am-11:30 am. There was a total of 30 kids registered and approximately 20 kids who attended each day. We journeyed through time during VBS with the Time Stone Travelers on a *Quest For God's Ten Commandments*. The weather was beautiful and the children and adults enjoyed every minute! Praise God for the way He came into our lives this summer! **Thank you** to each volunteer who helped make this year's VBS a success and brought glory to God!

Halloween Goodie Bags –The children came dressed in costumes and sang the Call to Worship to begin service. During Fellowship time there were games provided by Megan and Deanna and Goodie bags that were passed out. Several families stayed and participated in Fellowship time and the kids played games. It was really a fun time.

Stars of Light – Karen Reynolds chaired the Stars of Light sub-committee. KVC provided information on gifts for children who are in foster care in Franklin County communities. Ideas were displayed in early November and unwrapped gifts were delivered to the church by the end of November. Through a combination of online and in-person sign-ups as well as gift card and cash donations, Westminster was able to fulfill our commitment of giving. Thanks to our very generous congregation, several children were able to receive very nice gifts this Christmas.

Children's Christmas Program and Christmas Service – Anessa Nation arranged and directed the musical program, "Twas The Night Before Jesus Birth", on December 18th, during worship. The short poem and musical featured children from preschool through 8th grade. They practiced during the beginning of Sunday Classes in November and December. The program had a very positive response and was simply adorable. Thank you to everyone who helped with the rehearsals, music, sound system, costumes, etc.! Each of you helped make the program special!

Children were also able to participate in the Christmas Eve service by singing *Away in a Manger*, which added a special touch to the service. Christmas Morning the children held a wonderful Birthday Party for Jesus during service! They opened gifts containing items that represented the story of Jesus' birth. It was a gleeful celebration. Praise God for the beautiful Gospel witness of His children celebrating His child! What a joy it was celebrating with those children on Christmas.

Children's Church/DIGG Kids Worship – The Children's Church program was put on hold this year, as it was difficult to staff. The children who are Kindergarten aged and younger were able to play in the nursery during service. Older children stayed in the congregation and participated in the service. They had an opportunity to choose from a trinket box if they completed the daily activity or followed along with the service.

Busy Bags/Children's Bulletins – Busy bags and children's bulletins were made available in the back of the Sanctuary. The youth helped to clean them out and restock them as needed.

Nursery – A staffed nursery was provided during Sunday School Classes and Worship. Infants and toddlers enjoyed a loving and nurturing staff of ladies: Cyndi Brewer, Terri Thompson, Tammy Gorton, & Ashley Lloyd. Nancy Hatfield subbed in the nursery as needed. Praise God for these wonderful women who share His love with our little people!

Small Steps LLC – Westminster continues to enjoy the tenancy of the Small Steps preschool/child care facility. A Joint Committee was created which is made up of representatives from Small Steps and Westminster. Praise God for the ability to share our beautiful facility with those in our community!

Thank you to the CE Team for such dedicated commitment to this ministry throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Bathory

2022 Deacon Report

*'Your talent is God's gift to you.
What you do with it is your gift back to God'*
Leo Buscaglia

The Deacons met four times this year as well as communicated through emails when the need arose. We continue to be challenged with reaching out to those in our congregation who are homebound or alone, as the majority of us work during the day. We have a list of 30 people we call, send cards to, and/or visit when we are able to. We have divided our church family and friends into 'care groups', assigning a Deacon to be their personal contact. With the departure of Pastor Mark, we felt the loss tremendously as he was very good at visitations twice a month. With lock-downs at the facilities due to illnesses, our work and personal schedules, many times we have struggled to feel good about how much our church family were being visited.

The following outlines the additional ways we stayed in contact with our church family as well as the meals we have been in charge of for our beloved who have passed away this past year:

January: Bereavement meal for the family of Julie Shafer

February: Delivered 30 Valentine Treat Bags

Delivered 30 Lenten Bags and an additional one per a request from a neighbor of one of our homebound

April: Delivered 30 Easter Bags with treats. Larry and Marie Stewart's grandchildren made cards and Small Steps Day Care colored the bags

Reception for Trevor Riley's family and friends

Bereavement dinner for Jane Shields family and friends

May: Delivered 30 succulent plants and cards as a May Day treat

October: We sent a card and a gift card to each of our 4 students who are members and are in college

December: We delivered 28 '12 Days of Christmas' bags as well as a tin of cookies from the church and a Christmas card

We delivered 3 cookie tins, a Christmas card, and a gift card to members of our church who needed some extra Christmas cheer

We accepted the resignation with regret of LaDora Jackson and Debbie Hutton. We were delighted when Cliff Burke and Dorothy Chaney filled their vacated spots in July.

We are extremely fortunate that Cliff Burke serves communion to those at Rock Creek and Vintage Park on a monthly basis. If any of you know of someone who is physically unable to come to church and wishes to have communion, please let us know.

Terri Thompson, Larry Stewart, Marie Stewart, Cliff Burke, and Donna Greenawald feel very blessed to be serving Westminster as your Deacons. All praise be to God, our Father for the gifts He has given each one of us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Greenawald

Westminster Mission & Outreach 2022

2022, Back to "Normal".

Our primary focus in 2022 was to help as much as we could with the growing needs in Ottawa. We once again partnered with the Ottawa Police Department to distribute "Care Bags" to the unhoused in our community. Socks, hats, gloves, and other items of warmth were not only delivered to the Police Department, but were also placed in the "Blessing Boxes" around town. Teaming with the Ottawa Police Department has been great as they are able to get items to the people who need them & who we may not necessarily see.

In February, we once again held our annual "Tackle Hunger", (formally known as Souper Bowl Sunday). Small Steps Daycare asked to join us in this event helping us to provide not only nonperishable foods, but also items such as laundry soap, dish soap, shampoo, and toilet paper to Hope House.

I was contacted by Brandy Bartlett from KVC in April, (KVC is the foster program that we have provided gifts at Christmas time with our Stars of Light Program). She asked if we would be interested in helping in any way with a Foster Parent Picnic to be held in May. The Mission and Outreach team decided this would be our focus for our Spring "Be the Church". On May 22nd, we provided sandwiches, chips, cookies, & drinks for over 50 local foster families. This provided a stronger connection with KVC leading us to discuss other ways we can partner with them.

June and July we were once again able to help the Ottawa Library "Read & Feed" program. This program provides fresh fruit and vegetables and other individually packed "healthy" snacks free of charge for kids during the summer months when they may not otherwise get a meal.

We participated in the Ottawa Ministerial Alliance (OMA) Serve Day by providing Price Chopper gift cards to families in need. If you would like more information on this, please feel free to reach out to any of the Mission and Outreach team.

On August 31st, we worked with the Christian Ed team and canvassed the neighborhood from 10th street to 15th street as well as a couple other blocks by handing out fliers promoting Rally Sunday kicking off our Sunday School.

For our Fall "Be the Church" Sunday, we chose to stay small & simple. On October 16th, we held our worship service at the main shelter in Forest Park. The morning started a little cool, but we had a great turn out. Clean up was done around the park and hygiene kits for the unhoused were put together & delivered to the Ottawa Police Department. Large trays of cookies were delivered to the Police Department, Fire station, Jail, Sherriff, and the Emergency Room. Thank you all for the donations you made. After a wonderful message from Mr. Darron Story, a potluck meal was enjoyed by everyone who attended. All the leftovers were taken to one of the urban camp areas to feed those in need.

Also in October, we were able to provide over \$1100.00 worth of requested items to 'Communities in Schools' for their "Basic Needs Station" at the High School as well as stocking an area with necessary items that is housed in Eugene Field School where students can get them discreetly.

November, we provided \$1200 to Hope House for Thanksgiving food bags. This was in part due to the generous donations we received from our congregation. You are amazing!

As previously noted, we have formed a partnership with KVC. In December, we hosted the KVC "Breakfast with Santa". The team made over 100 breakfast burritos, with bacon & sausage donations from Tyson. We also served doughnuts provided by Casey's and fruit trays. After breakfast, KVC held a "Respite" event that allowed the parents to leave the kids and have a couple hours to shop or do whatever they needed to do, kid-free. As a surprise, our local Sacred Heart Catholic Church held a toy drive and dropped off the most generous amount of gifts that allowed the parents to come into the Sanctuary where the gifts were spread out for them to 'shop'.

The year ended with our Mission and Outreach Team providing 2 families, through Presbyterian Global Missions, farm animals and instruction on raising them for food or to sell. This gift was given as part of the monies allotted to the team as part of Westminster's tithing as a church. Since all the money we gave through the year was given locally, the team decided the December allotment would be given globally.

All in all, we had a great year and were able to help a lot of people (families) in many different ways.

Once again, I am honored and humbled to be a part of the Westminster Presbyterian Church family.

Thank you to the Mission & Outreach team for your support, dedication, and everything you do! Donna Greenawald, Chris Bean, Wayne Baylor, Cyndi Brewer, Terri, and Jeff Thompson.

On behalf of this amazing team, thank you to the Westminster congregation for your support and generosity. You are the reason we can do what we do and we thank you!

Chris Brewer

Westminster Mission/Outreach

MUSIC MINISTRY REPORT

2022

Westminster is extremely blessed to have not 1, but 2 very talented individuals that assist in leading our worship every week. Linda Rishel is our organist/pianist who sets the mood, and leads us through our worship most Sundays. When Linda is not able to be there, Dean Harris does an excellent job. **Thank you** to both for their many hours of rehearsals, services, and preparation that each of you have done over the past year.

The Chancel Choir sings every Sunday morning, providing an anthem and leadership to our worship services. We also were able to organize and perform a Christmas Cantata. This involved our choir and other churches from our community. Choir members include: Soprano – Angela Lisle and Bo Stewart. Altos - Melissa Ashwill, Dawn Ferguson, and Patty Griffin. Tenor – Dean Harris. Bass – Cliff Burke, Buddy Griffin, and Tom Rishel

One of the goals for the coming year is that we are able to have our Handbell Choir and Men's Ensemble become active, and an integral part of our church music program.

Salt-N-Light, a group of musicians that have provided contemporary style of music for our worship service for several years, lost some members during the year. The group lead our congregation in the singing of our Praise Hymn and an anthem during the first part of the year. Dawn Ferguson is the lead singer for the group and continues to look for individuals for the ensemble.

Westminster is indeed blessed to have a high quality of volunteers that participate in the music program of our church.

In His Service,

Dale Fox
Choir Director

2022 FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM

Moderator: Paula Mages

Team Members: Jessica Callaghan, Dale Fox, Deanna Fox, Shirlene Taylor, and Linda Tucker

Our team welcomed new church members and hosted a New Member Fellowship time in March, we served cake and provided drinks. It was an exciting time as it was our first event following Covid restrictions!

For Easter in April, breakfast and fruit was provided for the congregation after worship and was well attended.

After worship coffee time was able to resume in June! The fellowship time was modified by being in the foyer except for the 3rd Sunday of the month which is held in Roberts Hall.

Also in June, WPC men hosted a Mother's Day breakfast in honor of the women of the church.

September the Fellowship team combined efforts with the Christian Education Movie Night event, providing hot dogs and trail mix for the kids to make. In September we also hosted an event after worship for Rally Sunday and Sunday School kickoff. Roberts Hall was decorated with Sailboat décor in reference to the book our congregation read in 2021, Sailboat Church.

On Sunday, October 30th we hosted snacks for Halloween while Christian Education provided games and treat bags for the children.

Consecration Sunday was held November 6th with a catered meal. The Fellowship team assisted with setting up, serving, and cleaning up the meal. The event was well attended. Hanging of the Greens was also held in November, we provided soup and sandwich lunch for anyone that was able to help with the project.

Thanks to the members of the Fellowship Ministry Team and the numerous other people that helped us with Fellowship time throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Mages, Fellowship Chair

2022 Youth Report

The year started out a little slow due to COVID. We didn't have a New Year's Eve event and started the year holding Zoom meetings. Our big fundraiser for the Community Youth Group (CYG) is the Valentine's Dinner which we had, but only as a take-out dinner which went very well. In March, restrictions were eased up and we started meeting for Sunday School with breakfast provided as we studied Joseph.

The youth went on a Mission Trip to Milwaukee where we worked on a church, a house, and at a food bank. It was a very rewarding trip for the youth and for the people we worked with. We held a service led by the youth where we talked about the trip and they answered questions from those in attendance.

In the Fall, it was decided the youth would meet with the adults for Sunday School, so we met together.

We had a Pumpkin Smashing Party for Halloween meeting in the country where we enjoyed a BBQ and a Message under the stars. We had a Christmas Party this year as well as a New Year's Eve Celebration which was well attended.

The youth at this church are really turning into awesome young adults. The parents and church family should be proud of them....I know I am!

Ken Nelson

2022 Building & Grounds Report

In 2022, we were fortunate to avoid any major, costly needs. The biggest project was creation of a prayer garden in the courtyard, including installation of new landscaping and an irrigation system. Underwritten by memorial funds honoring the memory of Rose Hanes, the garden's transformation has created a peaceful, serene setting for prayer and contemplation.

Volunteer efforts have been the key to **stretching the building and grounds budget**, which is under pressure from ever-increasing energy expenses. In 2022, volunteers have changed furnace filters, repurposed rooms for new needs, painted walls, mowed grass, inspected and replaced exterior lightbulbs, arranged for bulb replacement in parking lot fixtures, tackled plumbing issues, shoveled snow, addressed needs identified in the annual fire safety inspection, repaired a sidewalk grate, replaced cabinet hinges and repaired an oven and a toilet.

In March, both parking lots were re-striped and spots were designated for visitors, seniors and handicapped. The project was financed by income from endowment investments.

Two 2023 projects also will be supported by endowment income:

- Repair of deteriorated concrete sidewalks on the northwest end of the building, and
- Repair of a cracked window in administrative offices.

Routine required maintenance was completed on the kitchen's fire suppression system in 2022. This was a costly operation, but fortunately one that is only required every 12 years. Minor roof repairs were conducted following spring storms, an aging sump pump was replaced and exterior signs were installed to assist visitors navigate the building.

Spring and fall work days were held with great results inside and out. Unfortunately, leaves on trees on the church campus stubbornly refuse to fall until Thanksgiving or later. Between cold weather and busy holiday schedules, timely leaf removal becomes very difficult. **We'll be looking for volunteers to tackle that project early this spring!**

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie McManus, Building & Grounds Chair

2022 FINANCE MINISTRY TEAM

The Finance Committee members for 2022 were:

Gregg Colbern, Richard Jackson, Deanna Fox, Mark Reynolds, Jerry Thompson, and Paul Bean

The General Fund receipts as of October 31, 2022 were \$169,055.31. The General Fund disbursements totaled \$198,876.33.

The Memorial Fund receipts and gifts for 2022 totaled \$89,964.21 and the Memorial Funds expended totaled \$106,733.43. The Memorial Fund balance as of October 31, 2022 was \$21,511.50.

The 2023 budget expenditures are being reduced, but a final budget has not been approved as of this writing. We will share those numbers at the Annual Meeting. We are anticipating six months of pastor salary in hopes we have a full-time pastor within that time frame for 2023. We have also worked with committees and staff on reductions in our budget for 2023.

Due to the departure of our pastor, the year of 2022 was another challenging one financially for Westminster. As is normal when a pastor leaves, giving has dropped and will impact the revenue for the church moving forward until a new pastor is found and has time to reset the church.

We began the year with a general fund bank account balance of \$21,642. Thanks to that balance and reduction in expenses (no pastor salary), we have not had to draw from reserves at this date. However, we anticipate a potential draw on reserves before year end 2022.

The staff and the committees of the church have done a wonderful job of holding down expenses. We are dealing with increased utility expenses which all of us are seeing in our utility bills in our homes. We are having discussions with our daycare operator about a potential raise in rent to help with the increase in utility cost.

We are thankful to everyone for their giving to Westminster Church in spite of challenging times going on around us. Your gifts and contributions are very much appreciated to help us carry out the mission and ministry of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Bean
Finance Ministry Team Chairperson

2022 GENERAL FUND REPORT

Beginning Cash in Bank 1/1/22	<u>21,641.66</u>	
Adjusted Beginning Balance		21,641.66
<u>Receipts</u>		
Pledges	158,924.96	
Non-pledged giving	21,182.13	
Loose Plate Offering	1,374.75	
Per Capita, envelopes	827.19	
Interest Income	4,929.49	
Rent	22,295.00	
Endowment Income	4,306.95	
D.I.G.G. offering	238.99	
Special Offerings & Gifts	4,868.79	
Misc Other	4,568.31	
Current Year Adjustments	<u>(1,617.28)</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>221,899.28</u>
Total Available		243,540.94
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Worship	7,255.19	
Fellowship	1,699.24	
Mission Support	22,628.76	
Outreach Ministry	297.94	
Christian Education	2,446.49	
Discipleship	1,142.63	
Building and Groundss	46,892.26	
Office and Administration	27,075.14	
Staff Salaries and Benefits	117,197.15	
Youth Fellowship	-	
Total Expenditures		<u>226,634.80</u>
Ending Cash in Bank 12/31/22		<u><u>16,906.14</u></u>

2022 Investment Fund Report

Activity Report for 2022

Beginning balance, January 1, 2022		68,377.56
Receipts		
Designate Memorials	10,084.50	
Fred Searls Estate	88,879.71	
2023 Prepaid Pledges	14,500.00	
Benovolence Fund	94.90	
Grocery Currency	3,040.00	
In-Out	1,419.58	
Endowment	5,205.15	
Funeral Dinners	1,902.83	
Total Receipts		125,126.67
Available Funds		193,504.23
Disbursements		
Memorials	7,353.72	
Fred Searls Estate	99,379.71	
Benevolence	575.00	
2022 Prepaid Pledges	14,000.00	
Grocery Currency	3,654.28	
Pastor Expense Allowance	220.23	
In-Out	1,419.58	
Youth Group Fund	203.00	
Choir Fund	184.60	
Endowment	4,553.80	
Bergsma Repair	3,152.75	
Funeral Dinners	1,429.88	
Total Disbursements		(136,126.55)
Balance, December 31, 2022		57,377.68
Invested Funds with LPL Financial		231,943.88

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2023 BUDGET**

Committee	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2023 \$ Chg	% Chg
Worship	4,715	9,225	4,510	95.7%
Fellowship	1,175	1,310	135	11.5%
Missions	24,793	21,130	(3,663)	-14.8%
Outreach	900	650	(250)	-27.8%
Christian Education	5,850	4,450	(1,400)	-23.9%
Discipleship	4,660	3,600	(1,060)	-22.7%
Building & Grounds	44,050	52,232	8,182	18.6%
Office & Administration	27,270	26,949	(322)	-1.2%
Salaries & Wages	178,383	144,851	(33,532)	-18.8%
Youth Ministry	-	-	-	0.0%
Total Expenses	291,796	264,396	(27,400)	-9.4%

Financed by:

Pledges	189,000	154,000	(35,000)	-18.5%
Non-pledged contributions	20,000	20,000	-	0.0%
Loose plate receipts	2,500	1,800	(700)	-28.0%
Per capita/envelopes	1,500	1,000	(500)	-33.3%
Sunday School Offering	250	250	-	0.0%
Misc other	1,300	2,500	1,200	92.3%
Rent	22,600	22,600	-	0.0%
Interest income	5,500	5,100	(400)	-7.3%
Endowment income	6,826	1,074	(5,752)	-84.3%
Projected cash carryover	21,642	10,000	(11,642)	-53.8%
Special Offerings & Gifts	5,000	5,000	-	0.0%
Seasonal Flowers	500	500	-	0.0%
Bible Study Materials	600	600	-	0.0%
Vacation Bible School	100	100	-	0.0%
Processing Fees	300	150	(150)	-50.0%
From Reserves	14,178	39,722	25,544	180.2%
Total Revenue	291,796	264,396	(27,400)	-9.4%

2022 ENDOWMENT MINISTRY TEAM

The income from the Endowment Fund is used to further and strengthen the ministry of the Church. It receives its income through the investment of donations and bequests of the Church's friends and members through the generosity of their love.

The Board of Trustees of the Westminster Endowment Fund meet quarterly to review and discuss the investments on hand and to invest any funds received since their last meeting. The funds under management on December 31, 2022 in the sum of \$318,849.88 are invested in mutual funds and stocks.

The Trustees are required to estimate the annual income available and make a recommendation to the Session as to the use of the income for the following calendar year. All of the income is to be transferred to the Session in February and is to be used for purposes above the operating budget of the Church. Any funds not spent that year by the Session are to be returned to the Endowment Fund. In 2022, \$9,103.27 was earned and will be transferred to the Session.

The Trustees for the funds are: Jerry Thompson, Chairman; Sherril Unruh, Treasurer; Wade Hepner, Secretary; Mary Cearfoss, Linda Tucker, and Paul Bean. The Trustees firmly believe in the Endowment Fund.

Jerry Thompson, Chairman

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