

WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & SOCIETY
PALMYRA, NY
2019 ANNUAL REPORT



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We are Christ-centered, Nurturing, Caring, Welcoming, and Generous.
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meaningful community and global involvement;
worshipping and serving God with energy, intelligence, imagination and love.*

CTNS 2019 Annual Report

This is the 46th year of continuous work for the community. Since the school year goes from September to June, we have a bit of 2 school years in one report.

This year the work in school was making the activities for the children more creative and helping them work towards more independence. As the teachers reported to me, “it is amazing how fast a class settles into a routine and how little social skills are picked up.” For example, learning to work together in playing and cleaning up, singing little songs, and learning to walk in a line and when to stop.

During the year, there are visits to the library with Miss Sheila, to Mark’s Pizza, and the playground next to the school. They did a camping day and painted with mini rollers and marshmallows. They also had great fun with the story “Going on a Bear Hunt” by Rosen and Oxenbury. The students traveled around upstairs pretending to be going through high grass, forests, mud rivers, and a blizzard. Mr. Phil came in with his animals. There was a visit from Santa. The teachers rearranged the muscle room and storage room to better use the space.

I personally can not say enough about the quality and commitment of the teachers. Our director Stacey Denniston is tireless in her pursuit of excellence. Lisa Perry, Keri Devlin, and Robin Lindstrom all care deeply about the students. From January to June, we had 9 and 11 in the threes and 6 in the mixed 4 and 5-year-old class. From September to December, we had 11 in one class and 13 in the other. We did not have a mixed class this fall.

The board would like to express its thanks to the Session, congregation, and Pastor Kyle for your unwavering understanding and support.

Respectfully submitted
Phil Opdycke, Chair

P.S. Thank you to our board members: Sara Bush, Betsy Goodwin, Andy & Carol Sloan, Patti Squier, and Treasurer, Irene Fadden.

Canal Town Nursery School

PROFIT AND LOSS

January 1 - December 26, 2019

	TOTAL
Income	
Donation	
General	190.13
Scholarship Acct.	500.00
Total Donation	690.13
Fund Raiser Income	54.00
Chicken BBQ	2,114.04
Niagara Candies	1,500.00
Spaghetti Dinner	426.00
Vendor Sale	367.00
Yankee Candle	1,637.20
Total Fund Raiser Income	6,098.24
Other Income	
Bounced Check Fee	18.00
Interest Earned	2.41
Total Other Income	20.41
Tuition	
3's Tuition	17,804.50
4's Tuition	4,695.00
Mom & Tot	2,502.00
Pre-Registration Fee	550.00
Total Tuition	25,551.50
Total Income	\$32,360.28
Expenses	
Donations & Gratuities	
Donation Facility	3,325.00
Total Donations & Gratuities	3,325.00
Fund Raiser Expenses	
Chicken BBQ	617.33
Niagara Candies	810.00
Spaghetti Dinner Exp	59.85
Yankee Candle	717.24
Total Fund Raiser Expenses	2,204.42

General Operation	
Background Checks	66.00
Classroom Expenses – 3 & 4 year	1,878.83
Cleaning Supplies	41.04
T-Shirts	272.16
Website Cost	1,594.56
	TOTAL
Total General Operation	3,852.59
Lunch for staff meetings	457.07
Office Supplies	116.38
Miscellaneous	692.81
Total Office Supplies	1266.26
Payroll	
Director	3,980.95
10% Fund Raising Profit	157.80
Substitutes	51.42
Teachers & Aides	827.96
Teachers & Aides - 3's & 4's	15,198.73
Total Payroll	20,216.86
Payroll Preparation Cost	690.00
Payroll Taxes	4,286.08
Postage	50.00
Telephone	730.71
Uncategorized Expense US	43.00
Postal Service	40.90
Total Expenses	\$36,705.52

Christian Education Ministry Team Annual Report 2019

Building Faith, Family, and Fellowship. WPC nurtures spiritual growth, joyful fellowship, meaningful community and global involvement: worshipping and serving God with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.

The 2019 CE Ministry Team included: Ellen Avery, Emily Hunt, Randy Kennard, Jody Pruitt, and Cim McFarlane, Sunday School Director, as a non-elected member. We work as a team with the congregation “to tell the story of the love and grace we have received from God, because it is a story we love to tell!”

Sunday School has over twenty participants weekly working together to learn about God’s word directed by Cim McFarlane. Cim arranges the children by age for each classroom and selects curriculum and teachers. Each Sunday she is present to oversee Sunday School by setting up, aiding if needed and checking the rooms to be sure they are ready for Sunday School and after class for CTNS. Cim is an irreplaceable part of the CE Team keeping the Sunday School program new and interesting with inventiveness and enthusiasm.

Cim continues to provide leadership for:

- The traditional Kick-off Sunday School Breakfast - planning program and executing - attended by 20 youth and several adults
- Orchestrating two Children Lead Worship services – provides full scope of planning and executing
- Coordinating the Palm Sunday walk during 10:00 service
- Planning the making of holiday cards for WPC shut-ins three times a year, Valentine’s Day, Easter and Christmas - usually a minimum of 20 cards are made
- Guidance for youth designing bulletin covers once a year for the Youth Lead Epiphany Service
- Keeping in touch with the Splash families each month - families with children ages birth to 3 years
- Church Band – guides and promotes events, coordinates with conductor for practices, performances
- Vacation Bible School’s (combined sponsors Palmyra Reform Church and WPC) theme was “Kingdom Rock”. 30 youth, 6 adults and 13 teens attended. After the week of VBS, kids celebrated VBS by presenting the worship service at WPC and recapping the week during Sunday worship at Palmyra Reformed Church.
- Promotes Camp Whitman - 3 youth attended

Under the leadership of the CE Team:

- Children Light the Candles and Ring the Bell each Sunday
- Thirteen dedicated WPC members continue to provide childcare during the 10:00 am worship hour
- Provide Children’s time the last Sunday of each month
- Provide occasional multigenerational activities for coffee hour
- Works with pastor on Confirmation - 3 youth started the program for 2019 -20
- Present Fleece Blankets to graduating seniors – none were presented (two were eligible that declined)
- Present Bibles to second graders – presented 2 in 2019 (one more was eligible that declined)
- Free lunch for VBS – served 30 - 40 people daily
- Two Book Studies for adults
- Participation in the Palmyra Main St. Trick or Treat
- Campaigning to promote Sunday School through Facebook, Snail mail, Emails and sign boards.

2019 brought a few new ideas/special events to the WPC Sunday School program:

- Informing youth 8th grade and older about Triennium and aiding them in finances and registration – WPC sent two youths and one adult
- Boy Scout Sunday – Recognition of 2 Scouts completing God and Life
- Helping Deacons to deliver Holiday Cards to Shut-ins
- Cim initiated and coordinated with Rayvon for the youth to sing in worship
- Cim initiated and coordinated with Sue Petura and Patty Squier to play chimes in worship
- On request from outside the CE Team - Cim provided full scope of planning and executing a VBS Day with Palmyra Reform Church – hosted at WPC - 20 youth and 15 adults and teens attended
- On request from outside the CE Team – Cim provided full scope of planning, writing and executing VBS Worship Service
- Cim initiated and executed ‘Operation Uniquely Made’ - selling handmade greeting cards to raise money for the WPC general fund. Over \$300 was given to the General Fund.

The team works to provide Christian education, leadership and mission opportunities for both adults and children in a loving and caring way – “Together let us tell the story of the love and grace we have received from God, because it is a story we love to tell!”

Respectfully Submitted by Jody Pruitt – Christian Education Team Chair

“Living waters for a thirsty world.” Isaiah 44:3

The Deacons Ministry Team Annual Report for 2019

The Deacons Ministry Team for 2019 consisted of Sandy McMenamain, Chairperson, Sara Bush, Terry Goodwin, Esther Hargrave, Linda Pulcini, and Nancy Talma.

We continued to minister to the congregation in the following ways:

Prayer – This is one of the most important parts of our mission. The Deacons offer daily prayers for those in need. Requests for prayers are given to us from congregation members and others and printed in our weekly church bulletins. We also keep a separate list for those wishing their requests to be kept confidential. We pray for the family and friends of those who have passed away, those serving in the armed forces, expectant mothers, those who are ill or recovering from surgeries, those homebound or in nursing homes and many other concerns. Prayers can bring a closeness to those for whom we pray even though we might not know them personally.

Cards and Notes – Cards are sent each month to members celebrating a birthday or anniversary and to those with a special need. We also send a monthly note with bible verse to the shut-ins and others on our extended care list. We sent a total of over 318 cards and 239 monthly notes this year.

Visits – We visit the shut-ins and others in need as often as we can. We also accompany Pastor Kyle on visits to shut-ins where communion is given. This is especially meaningful. We made over 200 visits throughout 2019.

Worship Service Recordings – We offered CD recordings of our Sunday worship services and funeral services to those who would like them and are looking into other ways with the new technology to provide further types of recordings. Now, our services are also available on Facebook.

Communion – The Deacons supply and prepare the elements for communion each month and on special occasions.

Flowers – At Easter and Christmas, some of the flowers are designated to be delivered by the Deacons following the church services. We also deliver flowers at other times throughout the year.

Special Cards – We are especially thankful for the Sunday School children who make cards for us for Valentine's Day, Easter and Christmas. They are always very unique, and the shut-ins just love them! And this year, the Christmas cards were absolutely beautiful!

Prayer Shawls – Handmade prayer shawls are available to be given to those needing comfort, along with a special "angel" made by Anita Adams.

Since our activities are completely funded by donations, we are thankful for those who have contributed to the Deacons mission by using the contribution envelopes in the church pews or through memorial gifts.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra McMenamain
Chairperson

**Deacons Ministry Team
Treasurer's Report 2019**

Balance on Hand January 1, 2019	\$ 925.31
Deposits for Year	<u>1,351.75</u>
Total	\$2,277.06

Disbursements

Cards, Monthly Notes, Postage	\$ 293.10
Communion Supplies	62.23
Christmas Gifts	91.79
These Days Devotionals	119.00
Two Requests for Assistance	191.08
Bank Charges	<u>24.00</u>
Total	\$ 781.20

Balance on Hand January 1, 2020	\$ 1,495.86
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**Respectfully Submitted,
Sandra McMenamin
Treasurer**

Fellowship Team – Year End Report for 2019

This year the Fellowship Team sponsored and participated in numerous events, some traditional and some new.

Our semi-monthly birthday cupcake celebration has been well received. We participated in Dr. Ike's presentation on his Mexico mission. For the Bed City (Family Promise) fund raiser, we put together a nice gift basket.

In February, to break the winter blues, we held our annual Family Fun Night with board games, cards, etc. As always, our Sweets and Treats Sunday in March was a huge favorite. We held 2 baseball nights at Newark Pilots. Our Church picnic was held in June. We sponsored a co-ed softball team to play in the church league in East Williamson. We've already gotten several people interested in doing it again. All the equipment was donated.

Western Horizon's celebration is always a big hit, as we recognize members who have served the church for 50 + years. Some of our team helped Worship and Mission with a welcome home shower for Jumah. Our 2nd annual progressive dinner was held in October and was a great success. The traditional "hanging of the greens" potluck in November is always a good gathering.

Fellowship Team has managed to accomplish a lot with our budget of \$500 and we are looking forward to another exciting year in 2020. Presbyterians seem to do a lot around food.

It has been an honor to work with such talented and dedicated team as: Roxanne Dobson, Val and Terry Gendron, Ray Marr, Jacob McFarlane, Sue Pringle, and Deb Trombino. Any and all suggestions for activities to enhance our worship experience are welcome. Please contact any team member.

Respectfully submitted: Norm Underwood, Chair

Finance Team Year – End Report For 2019

For 2019, Western Presbyterian Church continued full financial support for our ongoing programs in Worship, Christian Education, and generous Mission Outreach to both local and extended global communities while maintaining our operating budget.

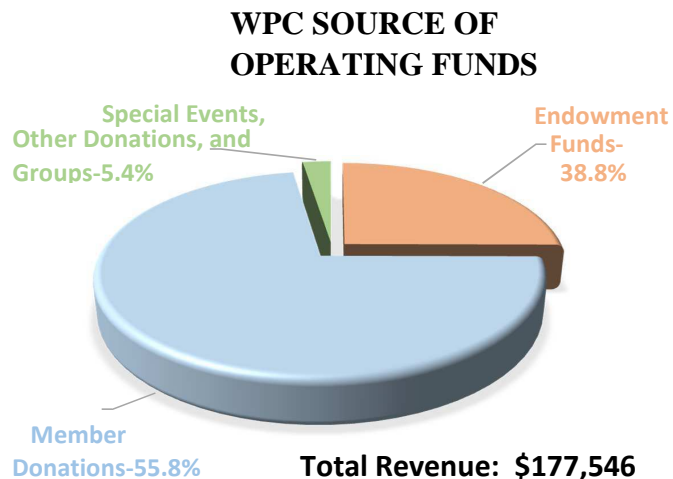
The source of funds for the church that is shown below underscores the importance of member donations. Without the faithful and generous contributions of our members, the important work of our church would not be able to continue. In 2019 there were 132 active members who donated \$99,047.00 for the operation of WPC. This amount represents 55.8 % of the church's total receipts. A sincere thank you to each and every one. Also, in addition, our endowment funds provided 38.8 % (\$68,889.00) for the operation of our church. The balance of 5.4% or \$9,610.00 came from special events, other donations and groups.

The year 2019 was not without its financial challenges. We lost too many of our faithful seniors that were called home to be with the Lord, leaving a large financial and support gap to fill. We moved the cost of snow plowing from property to Exterior Edifice and utilities from property to Interior Edifice. By moving these 2 items, it reduced operations by approx. \$7000.00 dollars and as you can see, we still had a deficit of \$11,527.11. But please notice, when you look at the 2019 final report of Receipts and Expenditures, the receipts canceled the deficit and gave us a \$2,879.00 surplus to our budget. This was due to increased giving from individuals, WPC Women's Assoc., our Sunday school selling Christmas cards and all the WPC teams watching their expenses. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. But as you can see going into the year 2020, our budget has a deficit of \$13,477.11 at this time. On top of that we have pledges of \$72,193 out of \$ 90,000.00 in our budget for pledges. This could add an additional \$17,807.00 to the existing \$13,477.00 deficit. With our membership, and pledges declining every year, we have to stop increasing spending and find ways to balance our WPC budget as we did in 2019.

In a year which saw increasing volatility and challenges in the financial markets, and at WPC, our financial investment management company, Howe and Rusling, professionally allocated and diversified our endowments to provide our portfolio capital to help fund the church operations as well as maintain and make improvements to the edifice.

Many thanks to the following individuals of the finance team, Dick Kirchhoff, Bill Bush, Jerry Kelly, Irene Fadden, together with ex-officio members Eric Chapman, Treasurer and Val Gendron, Bookkeeper.

Respectfully Submitted,
William C. Hassler,
Chairman, Finance Team



Generosity Team Annual Report for 2019

Several years ago, the Generosity Team was formed by the Session. The team was created made of 1 representative from all ministry teams.

The purpose of the generosity team is to uplift the God-given talents and gifts of the congregation in service. Generosity has at least four parts: money, talents, service, and hospitality. The generosity team will undertake promoting hospitality as well as stewardship to the congregation. The generosity team will help to grow the disciples of Christ.

The Generosity Team will work with other teams: Deacons, CE, Finance, Fellowship, Property, Worship, and Mission. The Generosity Team will work to create a database of members' interests. The Generosity Team will help with communicating events and opportunities to serve. The Generosity Team will be involved with new and old member development.

We have not created a database of member interests but have done a variety of activities to promote hospitality, generosity, and stewardship.

In 2019, the pre-worship announcements kept the congregation informed of a variety of events and happenings, including Family Promise, the Food Pantry, Vacation Bible School, Book and Bible Studies, Junia gatherings, Fellowship events like baseball games, progressive dinner, and birthday celebrations, Sunday School classes, coffee and contemplation, CTNS news, Faith Paints, Women's Association happenings, and on and on. Members sent information to Irene Fadden to have it put into the PowerPoint each week.

We readied materials for the Stewardship drive sharing the many things done during the year.

The generosity of the congregation is amazing. Thank you all for making such a difference in our community.

Irene Fadden on behalf of the Generosity Team.

Members of the Generosity Team are:

Christian Ed. Rep. – Jody Pruitt

Deacons Rep. – Sara Bush

Finance Rep. – Irene Fadden

Mission Rep. – John Cook & Ruth Dantz

Worship Rep. – Carol Sloan

Mission & Social Concerns Team Annual Report 2019

Team Members: Edie Chapman, Chair, Sally Chase, John Cook, Ruth Dantz, Jonnie Fontaine, Rena Haigh, Cassie Hughes, Jan Taylor

I have to say that I am proud to have led this team of dedicated Mission minded folks and those that volunteer to our missions. We all do such good things for our community. We now have 5 teams that are delivering Weekend Wellness bags to the schools. Working in conjunction with the Food Pantry, we have volunteers that unload our Food Link order then go over to the Food Pantry to help them. Many hands make light work!

Our **Weekend Wellness** teams have done a great job delivering bags of food for 2019 to students at Pal-Mac. (*see separate report*) Life is certainly easier since teaming up with Food Link. **The Good Neighbor Fund** led by John Cook has provided funds for many families. (*see separate report*) **The Food Pantry** is doing well and has many of our WPC members as volunteers. **Family Promise** has been going well and we always seem to get the volunteers needed. We donated bedding and gift baskets for their Bed City fundraiser and that challenge went out to church members. **Meals on Wheels** we support and a number of our WPC members volunteer delivering food. **Qualahoe Mountain Project** we support and many of our members personally sponsor a child for their education. **Grace House** also has some of our volunteers working there. **Healthy Nino's** is a new project this year we added to fund 3 cement floors in homes in Honduras with our own Rena Haigh going with her granddaughter in February to do mission work. **ARC home** We are still giving a gift card to our friends down the street to bring them a little holiday cheer.

Our budget was under \$9500 and we dispersed almost the entire amount to help those in our own community, county, and the world.

It is with sadness that we say goodbye on the team to John Cook who has been an absolute gem to this Mission/Social Concerns team. We are grateful for your knowledge and wisdom and glad that you and Wilma will still be continuing to help with some of our projects.

Thank you to the congregation for stepping up when necessary. All your help financially and any other assistance that we ask for is greatly appreciated!

Edie Chapman, Chair 2019

Good Neighbor Fund – 2019 Annual Report

If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? I John 3:17

The Mission/Social Concerns Team of the Western Presbyterian Church has been the overseers of the Good Neighbor Fund since its reorganization in October 2015. The following volunteers have each given many hours to this program in the past year:

Coordinator:	John Cook
Interviewers:	Mary Ann Holden & Cindy Platteter
Office Assistant:	Kathy Barr
Treasurer:	Wilma Redman

January – December 2019

Donations Received: We did not use the entire 2018 Bullis Fund Matching Grant of \$15,000, which matched donations from individuals at 100% (dollar for dollar) and matched donations from churches and service organizations at 10% (\$.10 for dollar). The balance of that grant was extended into 2019.

Amount Disbursed:	\$20,169.58		
# Families Assisted:	# Adults: 64	# Children: 49	
# Declined:	3		

We are grateful for the services of our volunteers and the generosity of area churches and individuals. We are especially grateful for the caring support Kathy Barr provides in phone screening the applicants and helping them fill out their applications. We have also cooperated with the St. Katharine Drexel Social Ministry Fund in Macedon, The King's Daughters in Palmyra, and The Salvation Army to augment what we are able to provide.

We ask for your prayers and ongoing support throughout the coming year so that we can continue to be good neighbors to those in need.

Thank you for your generous support of the Good Neighbor Fund throughout 2019. Your generosity is appreciated!

WEEKEND WELLNESS 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink” Matthew 25:35

The Mission/Social Concerns Team continues to partner with the Pal-Mac Primary School, Pal-Mac Intermediate School, Pal-Mac Middle School, and Pal-Mac High School to ensure that our young children will not go hungry over the weekend.

During the 2019-20 school year 40% of students in the Palmyra Macedon Central School District are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches. When these children are not in school on weekends, they may have less food than they need. This can result in a weaker immune system, increased hospitalization, lower IQ, shorter attention span, and lower academic achievement. The “Weekend Wellness” program helps to fill that need and ensure our children’s continued growth and development.

Currently we are purchasing pre-packed bags of food from Foodlink on a monthly basis. This eliminates the need for volunteers to purchase and pack the food bags and is more cost effective.

Each week that school is in session, one team of our volunteers delivers the food to each of the four schools in the Pal-Mac school district. Teams are: (1) Edie Chapman & Sue Leonard (2) Jan & Dave Taylor and Joan & Lloyd Durfey, (3) Ruth & Don Dantz, (4) Wilma Redman & John Cook and (5) Randy & Steve Kennard.

During the 2018-2019 school year we delivered 3,158 bags of food at a cost of \$8,673.20. From September thru December of the 2019-2020 school year we have delivered 1,286 bags.

We are grateful for the financial support we received this year from A.E.Y. Enterprises, Inc, Monday Bible Study, Presbytery of Geneva, Palmyra-Macedon Retired Teachers Assoc., Palmyra-Macedon Rotary Foundation Inc., The Palmyra Kings Daughters, Inc., United Way of Wayne County, Western Presbyterian Church and several caring individuals.

Western Presbyterian Church: Property Ministry Team Annual Report 2019

Your 2019 Property Team Members

Don Dantz	John Dobson	Steve Kennard
Gary LaBerge	James McFarlane	Phil Opdycke
Dave Pinkney	Wilma Redman	

Purview of the Property Team

“...I have consecrated this house which you have built by putting My name there forever, and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually.” I Kings 9:3

The property team is responsible for ensuring the safety and well-being of all who use our facility. We maintain and sustain our tangible assets in a way that protects people and contents, keeps pace with changing needs, and furthers the longevity of our building and grounds in service to God.

Our oversight alternates between short-term and long-term needs. Tactically, we manage routine maintenance and repairs. Strategically, we consider the replacement and upgrading of systems as an investment for greater cost effectiveness, capacity, safety, performance, or lifespan.

Approved and Actual Budget

2019		2018		2017	
Approved	Actual	Approved	Actual	Approved	Actual
\$5.6k	\$2.3k*	\$5.6k	\$4.8k	\$13.6k	\$12.5k

*Thru October.

Note: 2018 Operations budget was reduced from previous years by having gas and electric utilities paid out of other funds.

Significant Activities and Notes

Safety

Frequent replacement of fluorescent lights throughout the facility.

Removal of leaky hot water tank in narthex.

Installed small water heater in upstairs bathroom to have point of use heated water that can be controlled to prevent burn injury to children using facility.

Maintenance and Repair

Repaired broken storm window.

Replaced kitchen faucet handles.

General ongoing clean up and space use – Fellowship hall closet, basement under Narthex. Continuing to work with multiple teams to sort and clean out unused items from property. Freeing space for installation of improved storage of items we will be keeping. Clutter reduced and easier to find needed items.

Main disconnect fuse was replaced after a failure. Fuse was replaced and secured. Spare fuse purchased in case of future failure. Appeared to be loose connection leading to failure, no wiring issues were found.

Section of Sanctuary roof was missing some shingles and was repaired by local contractor.

Hearing Loop failed and was replaced with new components.

Grounds

Yard clean-up: We maintained the grounds throughout the year by periodic trimming and tidying.

Facility Investment

Kitchen Dishwasher: Installed in 2019. Many people trained in its use after each coffee hour. Using standard coffee cups instead of disposable cups. Reduces need to purchase disposable cups and keeps dishwasher in good working order.

Audio-Visual system: Still have a few glitches with video dropping after several visits by vendor.

Internal Network: Base network has been updated with new router, switches, and wireless access points. This provides better coverage of wireless thru the church. Will probably still need improved internet service for better quality and use of alternate streaming services.

Family Promise: Team is supporting Family Promise by moving CTNS cubbies before and after host week. Also installed donated air conditioners in upstairs room for summer hosting. Air conditioners have been stored in basement Property room until next summer.

Financial Secretary Office: Installed donated desk system and moved in storage cabinet for more effective use of space.

Administration

The name and contact information for the monthly property team contact is published in the Sunday bulletin, newsletter, and on the property bulletin board by the north parking lot door.

Documentation: Continuing to work on instructions for the use of the new AV system to have options for basic operation for simple recording, and for more involved streaming with multiple camera view changes.

Labeling: As other projects are completed and cleaned, we are labeling power outlets and lines with appropriate power panel and breaker. Also adding to computerized drawings of our facility so future members have accurate and up to date documentation on facility assets.

Sign-in sheet: In 2017 we implemented a process where visitors sign in and out on a sheet outside the office. This helps track vendor time and other visitor traffic. Works well so far and allows us to verify time charged by vendors.

Billing audits: Working with snowplowing service to provide more timely billing for better budgeting.

Facility Usage

The table below captures usage requests from the form available in the office. Some forms request multiple assets. Many forms are generated by other teams to ensure facility usage is on church calendar. These are for usage of the church that started in 2019. Some forms request multiple dates.

	2019: 40 requests	2018: 26 requests	2017: 16 requests
Sanctuary*	2 (Select Choir, VBS)	2	1
FSH	30	20	12
Kitchen	19	10	8
Other	23 (east lawn, classrooms upstairs, muscle room, parlor)	4 (east lawn, classrooms upstairs)	2 (muscle room, whole bldg.)
Tables & Chairs	4 (T=30, C=160)	5 (T=25, C=120)	6 (T=66, C=100)
Microphone/AV	3	N/A	1

* Sanctuary use approved by Session. Does not include weddings, approved outside the building use form.

Worship Team Annual Report-2019

Members: Sharon Marr, Chair, Sue Leonard, Co-Chair, Mary Beth LaBerge, Courtney Marr, and Carol Sloan. We welcomed new members: Alicia Lynch, and Sue and Kelly Williamson.

Our mission is to assist Kyle with any needs relating to our worship service(s), and the care and keeping of the sanctuary based on the liturgical year. Much of the work of our team is done behind the scenes. We provide readers, communion servers, and ushers for Sunday worship and other special services such as Christmas, Holy Week, etc. We are the contact for guest speakers/pastors. We assist in procuring special needs for any worship service. We have collaborated with the Fellowship Team for special functions.

Early in February, we offered a special coffee hour treat with Super Bowl Sunday Sundaes which was very well attended and is on the docket for 2020 as well!!

Members of our committee prepared a continental breakfast and were on hand for Dr. Ike's presentation of his trip to the Mexican border region. We enjoyed his gift of locally grown coffee for many Sundays at coffee hour. We also hosted a special recognition coffee hour in honor of Dr. Ike as he finished his internship at WPC. Our heartfelt thanks for his many months of service to our church.

We heard about World Day of Prayer (March) on National Day of Prayer (May) with a potluck dinner and a special guest speaker, Rev. Robin Lostetter. Approximately 45 people attended.

We all contributed to a beautiful basket for a Family Promise fundraiser. It was a book/movie themed basket.

Christmas in July is always a special time here at WPC. We sing hymns during worship, enjoy a decorated Fellowship Hall, have Christmas cake, and most importantly, collect donations for the food cupboard.

Kyle and Sharon helped coordinate with our Methodist friends across the street as they sadly closed their church on June 30. Kyle participated in the service which was very moving. We had a wonderful turn out of congregation members. We received heartfelt thanks from many of their members.

After a year's hiatus, we served up delicious pie and all the fixings for Pie Sunday in Fellowship Hall in conjunction with Thanksgiving and celebrating the abundance in our lives.

We prepared our sanctuary for Christmas (special thanks to Gary and Mary Beth), and placed luminaries on Christmas Eve.

On December 29th we prepared coffee/refreshments for a 5th Sunday service in Fellowship Hall.

New in 2019: Our sanctuary was open for four blocks of time during Mormon week(s). We provided a timeline of our history and had interesting conversations with visitors to our town. Thanks to all those who volunteered to staff during this time. We plan to do so again in 2020.

Music is an important integral part of our worship at WPC. We are blessed with gifted organists in Jack and Sue. Our talented choir director, Rayvon, leads our wonderful choir. We can't thank them enough for their outstanding contributions. We also thank Elijah Malach for so beautifully filling in at the organ those summer Sundays.

Many thanks to our team leader, Kyle, for his inspiration, co-operation, and willingness to work with us!!!!!!!!!!

It has been my pleasure to serve this church as Worship Chair and Session member these past three years. Everyone on worship team has been a blessing to me and to this church.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Marr

Church Statistics - Report of the Clerk

Active Membership as of January 1, 2019 **132**

Additions

By Profession of Faith, Restoration, Reaffirmation	
By Certificate of Transfer -	1
Other- moved from inactive back to active	1
Total Additions -	<u>2</u>

Losses

By Certificate of Transfer	0
By Death -	3
By Removal to Inactive Roll -	4
Removal from the Roll -	
Total Losses	<u>7</u>

Total Active Membership as of December 31, 2019 **127**

The Session

2020

James McFarlane
Sandra McMenamin
Norman Underwood

2021

William Hassler

Presbytery Delegate- Philip Opdycke
Clerk - Janet Manktelow
Treasurer – Eric Chapman

Head of Corporation - William Hassler

Annual Report, 2019
Rev. Kyle Delhagen, Pastor

Every year, as the calendar turns from one year to the next, my wife, Elena, in lieu of a resolution, chooses a word that she hopes will shape the coming year. Whereas resolutions tend to be narrow and limiting, the “one word” is open-ended, leaving room for mistakes and loose ends, allowing the year to unfold on its own, taking its own shape and form.

This year, Elena has chosen the word “Rooted,” and I have to confess that this word has been speaking powerfully to me as well. I am reminded, when I think of the word “Rooted,” of the poetry of Jeremiah, chapter 17, verses 7-8:

“Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,/ whose trust is the Lord./ They shall be like a tree planted by water,/ sending out its roots by the stream./ It shall not fear when heat comes,/ and its leaves shall stay green;/ in the year of drought it is not anxious,/ and it does not cease to bear fruit.”

So as I have been reflecting on the year past, I am thinking about our roots and our rootedness. If we consider ourselves a tree, how are our roots doing?

Our roots are strengthened in our worship. The worship we offer up to God each week continues to inspire and challenge. This is the most important thing we do. Yet we also remember that *everything we do* is an act of worship. Our Session and Team meetings have been practicing this by opening every time with the lighting of the Christ candle, which reminds us that where two or more are gathered, there Jesus is also. Our study, our fellowship, our stewardship: *every piece of our lives together is worship*. And it is good!

Our roots are strengthened in our coming together. We continue to be a congregation with a generous heart and a welcoming spirit. This is reflected in the regular attendance of some new families. It can be intimidating to *any* visitor to enter a place of worship with which they are not familiar. Making guests feel comfortable and welcome without being overbearing is a delicate thing. Each one of us has the responsibility, when we see someone unfamiliar, to go up and introduce ourselves and make sure they have what they need to feel centered and welcome. This is something we do well yet can always be improving.

Our roots are strengthened in the teaching of our children. This year I am delighted to be walking with three of our young people in the confirmation process. Together with their mentors and their families, these young ladies are learning not just what it means to be a Presbyterian or learning where to find the Psalms in the Bible (both important!), but what it

means to be a member of Christ's community personally, locally, and globally. These are not just worthwhile questions for our confirmands, but for all of us: those new to the walk of faith, and those who have been walking a long, long time. So be watching for the themes of confirmation to spill over into other areas of our common life.

Our roots are strengthened in our study and consideration of scripture and spiritual books studies. We have been blessed by lay leaders stepping forward to lead book groups and studies, as well as Sunday school for youth and adults. Personally, I have found the Visio Divina studies in Lent and Advent to be inspiring my own spiritual growth, and I look forward to another opportunity to lead this unique study.

Our roots are strong, yet they face challenges. Much like the tree in Jeremiah, our roots are exposed to heat and drought. This has been manifest in our financial resources. This year's budget is working on a deficit. On paper it appears like we have a lot of money, however much of this comes from specified gifts from years ago that are restricted in how they can be used - most were given for the edifice (the physical building). Therefore, we still rely, as most churches do, on regular tithes and offerings for our operating expenses. In short, *what you give matters*.

Let me put it this way: our roots are strong, but if they are to weather seasons of drought and times of heat, we must have a constant source of water.

It does not escape me that times are tight for many of us. It is harder and harder to be able to pledge each year when we remain uncertain about how much income we will personally have. Yet if, as a church, we are unable to raise as much as we spend, then our roots will suffer, and when roots suffer, the tree itself is at risk.

We are called to remember however, that our roots go deeper than this congregation. The Kingdom of Christ will not stand or fall if Western Presbyterian Church thrives or dies. The Kingdom of God is one that will not be moved, and when we remember that our roots extend into that larger body, into the whole of creation, then we are renewed in the waters of baptism, we are nourished in the table of Christ, and a new and glorious future awaits us.

Our roots are strong, they need tending, and I am excited to see what the coming year has in store for each and all of us.

Grace and peace,
~Pastor Kyle

Annual Report Projects and Financials for 2019

Women's Association Financial Report January 1 - December 31, 2019

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 2019 \$ 7,630.27

Rummage Sales \$ 4,050.11

RADA Cutlery Sales \$ 1,250.65

Donations \$ 185.00

Least Coin \$ 59.00

Total Receipts \$ 5,544.76

Disbursements \$ 13,175.03

Supplies for Memorial Services \$ 349.04

Blanket Fund \$ 200.00

Camp Whitman Camperships \$ 200.00

WPC Budget \$ 4,500.00

Least Coin sent to Presbytery \$ 59.00

WA Ladies Tea \$ 35.62

Food Pantry \$ 108.00

Advent Panels \$ 310.30

Grace House \$ 500.00

Triennium \$ 300.00

Kitchen and coffee hour supplies \$ 29.09

RADA Cutlery and supplies, deposit for space at craft sales \$ 994.15

Total Disbursements \$ 7,585.20

Balance on Hand December 31, 2019 \$ 5,589.83

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Pringle
Treasurer

ANGEL TREE PROJECT

This year gifts were provided to 86 families with 218 children which is an increase of 15% over last year. In addition to the locally placed trees, Garlock, JRLON and the Interact Club of the Pal-Mac School District continue to adopt several families. We would never be as successful without these three organizations.

The Pal-Mac District Office makes a huge contribution by sending all the letters out to potential families; those families in the free or reduced lunch program.

Several community organizations continue to support the Angel Tree with cash donations, so far this year from Garlock and Palmyra Kings Daughters. The cash is used to purchase gifts for angels not selected, wrapping paper for each family and postage. Once again, some of those funds were used to purchase grocery gift cards from Breens for each of the 86 families. We are truly blessed to live in such a generous and giving community.

The deliveries were made by the Lions Club on Saturday, December 7th, with 10 drivers showing up ready to deliver and I thank them. Thank you, Kathy Barr, for handling all the phone calls and pick ups. Thanks to my personal assistants, Tom Lynch, Wendi and Sydney Gagliano, and Page Sapienza, for their help with the shopping, sorting, bagging and loading.

I feel compelled to address the issues being discussed so widely on social media about parents returning gifts. There are abusers to every program out there and we will never stop that. The families taking part in the Angel Tree have already provided financial information to the school and therefore already “vetted”. I don’t believe anyone has any idea the sometimes-grim conditions some of these families face daily. I try to focus on the program and why we participate. Remember Acts 20:35 – *“ I have showed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.”* I’ve always felt this program is just as much for the givers as it is the receivers. And here at Western Presbyterian Church, we practice what we teach and preach.

As always, if your workplace is somewhere that you think may like to participate in this way next year, please let me know. Even if you and your coworkers are only able to adopt one family – every little bit helps.

If you’re interested in helping out or would just like more information, contact Alicia Lynch at 585-749-3296 or the church office at 315-597-9171.

Respectfully submitted,
Alicia Lynch
Angel Tree Project

SUMMARY OF WPC FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

12th month of 2019

Endowments/Operations

December 31, 2019

		12/31/2018	12/31/2019	YTD Variance	December Income	YTD Income
Howe & Rusling-Schwab-6217						
Church Endowment #		221,193	281,552	60,359	765	8,942
Davidson-Pastor Salary		162,449	186,797	24,348	508	6,138
Milligan Family Fund		109,854	126,341	16,487	344	4,151
Helen T. Smith Endowment		506,433	582,845	76,412	1,585	19,146
Mertz Family Fund		17,390	19,987	2,597	54	654
Housing Loan Fund		56,624	65,144	8,520	177	2,141
Operations Total		1,073,943	1,262,666	188,723	3,433	41,172
ENDOWMENTS - EDIFICE						
Henry W. Griffith Endowment*	Unrst Edif	798,672	919,178	120,506	2,500	30,192
Davidson - Edifice	Extr Edif	29,690	34,053	4,363	93	1,119
Helen T. Cloyd	Extr Edif	36,477	42,196	5,719	175	1,384
Walter P. Smith	Extr Edif	181,960	209,499	27,539	570	6,881
Edifice Total		1,046,799	1,204,926	158,127	3,278	39,576
Endowment Total		2,120,742	2,467,592	346,850	6,711	80,748
Micellaneous Funds-Schwab 7897						
Cash Reserve (TRP Spectrum)	Ops	111,466	124,331	12,870	425	4,129
Mary Coe Fund (TRP Spectrum)		15,109	16,803	1744	58	559
Organ Fund (TRP Spectrum)		8,552	9,540	1250	33	317
Women's Assoc. (TRP Spectrum)		7,413	8,290	877	28	276
EDIFICE-INC-AM CENTURY**		35,604	45,700	10,096	114	480
EDIFICE-INC-VIRTUSSEIX**		32,996	37,257	4,261	138	1,741
Miscellaneous Funds Total		211,140	241,976	31,098	796	7,502
Total Investment Accounts		2,331,882	2,709,568	377,948	7,507	88,250
				**Dividends reinvested in shares of fund		
Respectfully submitted,				* \$10,00 added to Griffith account of 1/15/2015		
Eric Chapman				01/09/2020		
# \$25,000 added to Church Endowment (Shirley Bassage 5-15-2019)				\$38,446 Cloyd Fund Transferred to Howe & Rusling		
\$60,00 added to TRP Spectrum Cash Reserve 3/24/16				\$20,000 added to AM Century & VirtusSeix 4/24/15		

WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

12/31/19

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

<u>Value of Investments</u>	<u>31-Dec-18</u>	<u>12/31/2019</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Operations	1,073,943	1,263,666	188,723
Edifice	<u>1,046,799</u>	<u>1,204,926</u>	<u>158,127</u>
TOTAL	2,120,742	2,467,592	346,850

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Jan. 15, 2019</u>	<u>1/9/2020</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Value of Checking Accounts		179170	167843	-11327
Community Bank Acct. #2862	Checking	58616	52845	-5771
Community Bank Acct. #2897	Women's Association	7795	5814	-1981
Community Bank Acct. #2942	Memorial/Edifice (Designated Funds)	97392	100742	3350
Community Bank Acct. #9285	Good Neighbor Fund	5570	4069	-1501
Community Bank Acct. #4102	Chancel Choir	1707	571	-1136
Community Bank Acct. #5919	Weekend Wellness Fund	7115	3802	-3313
Community Bank Acct. #4849	Deacons	975	unknown	unknown

DESIGNATED FUNDS

(Specific List printed Quarterly)

E. Chapman

1/9/2020

Edifice Exterior Fund
Edifice Unrestricted Fund
Memorial Fund
Other Miscellaneous Funds

SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
Operating and Mission Funds
2019

<u>Category</u>	<u>2019 YTD</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>
RECEIPTS		
Operating Pledges/Offerings	99,049	93,000
Per Capita	1,500	1,700
Other Donations	8,110	5,200
Income from Investments	68,889	69,874
TOTAL INCOME	177,548	169,774
EXPENDITURES		
Session Committees		
Administrative	4,683	5,200
Christian Education	1,364	1,500
Finance	2,793	3,350
Fellowship	431	500
Personnel (Salaries)	143,376	146,431
Property	4,287	6,600
Social Concerns	9,430	9,470
Worship	1,705	1,650
Per Capita	6,600	6,600
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$174,669	\$181,301
NET RECEIPTS(EXPENSES)	\$2,879	(\$11,527)

Budget Item	2019 Budget	2020 Budget
<u>Receipts</u>		
Operating Pledges/Offerings		
Pledges	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
New Members	\$	\$ -
Loose Offerings	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Per Capita Donations	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700.00
Other Donations		\$ -
Building Usage	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Canal Town Day Sales		
Women's Association	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
CTNS	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 3,000.00
Investment Income	\$ 69,873.50	\$ 69,873.50
Total Receipts	\$ 169,773.50	\$ 170,073.50
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Administrative	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 5,200.00
Christian Education Team	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Finance Team		
Other	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00
Insurance	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Financial Review		\$ 2,500.00
Fellowship Team	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Personnel		
Sexton	\$ 7,405.20	\$ 7,405.20
Bookkeeper	\$ 7,293.00	\$ 7,293.00
Secretary	\$ 9,537.00	\$ 9,537.00
Sunday School Coordinator	\$ 8,698.56	\$ 8,698.56
Staff FICA, PR Taxes ER	\$ 4,202.40	\$ 4,202.40
Music Ministry		
Organist/Accompanist	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 10,200.00
Substitute Organist	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Chancel & Bell Choir Director	\$ 13,200.00	\$ 13,200.00
Pastor		
Pastor Salary	\$ 33,813.00	\$ 33,813.00
Pastor Housing	\$ 17,850.00	\$ 17,850.00
Total Board of Pension	\$ 19,817.00	\$ 19,817.00
50% SETA	\$ 3,414.45	\$ 3,414.45
Auto	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Continuing Ed	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Business & Prof. Expenses	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

Property Team		
Other	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 5,600.00
Sewer & Water	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Social Concerns & Mission Team		
Mission	\$ 9,470.00	\$ 9,470.00
Worship Team		
Pulpit Supply	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Other	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Per Capita 132 @ \$50.00 ea. (2019)	\$ 6,600.00	
127 @ \$50.00 ea. (2020)		\$ 6,350.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 181,300.61	\$ 183,800.61
Net Receipts/Expenses	\$ (11,527.11)	\$ (13,477.11)

* Line 47: Family Promise falls under Mission Team and they should decide the dollar amount to pledge out of their mission budget.