

COLLBRAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

2017



(VBS 2017)

ANNUAL MEETING

January 28, 2018

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JANUARY 28, 2018
AGENDA

BLESSING

CALL TO ORDER

ESTABLISH QUORUM (30% of current active membership)

APPROVE AGENDA

MINUTES OF 2016 ANNUAL MEETING

CLERK REPORT

PASTOR REPORT

MODERATOR REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

CCUCC 2018 BUDGET WORKSHEET

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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TRUSTEES REPORT

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

MUSIC REPORT

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP REPORT

PASTORAL/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

ACCEPT SLATE OF NOMINEES

VOTE

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

ADJOURN

Collbran Congregational Church, UCC

Annual Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Sylvia Spangler at 1:10 pm, following a great potluck meal with visiting and an enjoyable time together.

12 members were present so quorum was met (see attached sign in sheet).

Sylvia requested approval of the agenda. Annie moved to accept the agenda and Jevon seconded. The motion passed and carried.

Since a blessing was not given for the meal, Pastor Anne pointed out that the quality of the food didn't require blessing before it was eaten ☺. She asked a blessing for all who were gathered for our meeting and thanked God for all our individual and collective gifts.

The 2016 Annual Meeting minutes were reviewed. They had been approved by the Church Council at the January 2016 Council meeting.

Clerk's Report: Monica presented the report for 2016. There were two corrections. 45 children attended VBS in June 2016 and the church is 115 years old.

Pastor's Report: Anne reviewed her past year. She made 222 visits to people from our church in 2016. She also wanted to add to the report in the meeting booklet that in April and May of 2016, at the request of two adults, she facilitated an Adult Sunday School class. They studied the New Testament. As many as five people attended but usually three people took part in the study. Everyone thanked Anne for all her visits and involvement with the church activities. Her love and caring is above and beyond.

Treasurer's Report: Sue gave the Treasurer's Report. It is on pages 11 -14 of the Annual Meeting booklet. She described the offerings given, the year end balances in accounts, the United Church Fund Portfolio, and the Proposed 2017 Budget. Cindy thanked Sue for all the time Sue puts into keeping finances straight and for being Treasurer for so many years.

Moderator's Report: Sylvia gave her report and thanked Anne for all that she and Svet do. She thanked all the Council. Cindy asked that the following be added to the minutes. Sylvia helped the PPR committee by sending out a survey to ask church attendees about things that could be done better and what could improve what is happening. The results were that folks are happy with the way things are done. There were no "silver bullets" to bring in more church attendees or more church money.

Stewardship Report: Cyndi Leinberger gave the Stewardship Report. This committee would like to send out a letter, in the spring, to the church and community to ask for contributions for all the different uses of our church. Svet asked about group payments for use of the church. It was explained about the charges we make and that most groups give donations to the church as well. The church has many benefits besides the space for different groups to meet. We also provide the Coat rack at Ace Hardware and have the Food Bank for people in the community.

Trustee's Report: Ann and Cindy gave their report. Cindy outlined the big projects that the Trustee's organized and completed in 2016. The new heaters in the dining room were a big expenditure. They cost \$7000. Delbert Koehn continues to help with snow removal and yard care. Nancy Karlson is always

willing to take care of the church and be available almost 24/7. Anne thanked Nancy for taking down the Christmas tree.

Steward's Report: Jeannie gave their report. The Stewards are very busy and try to keep things running smoothly. They help provide food for many activities. Sylvia pointed out that many young people have been helping the Stewards this year, including the youngsters Lexi, Sammi, Reese, Julia, and Tage helping with candle lighting.

Women's Fellowship: Nancy said that she is so thankful to be a part of a group who helps so many people in our community. She highlighted all the activities that the Women's Fellowship helps with. She reminded everyone that the Senior Tea will be May 2 at 4:30 pm in the dining hall.

Music Report: Annie reported that she appreciates all that Sue does. Sue reported that she is thankful for Annie helping and giving her a break. We all agreed that we appreciate that both of them provide beautiful music for our church services. Sylvia thanked Sue for coordinating the Christmas Recital.

Christian Education: Sue reported that they had Sunday School all year. The kids help lighten up the church services. A lasagna supper will be made in March as a fundraiser for VBS and Sunday School. Plan to attend!

Memorial Committee: Nancy gave this report. A discussion about Memorial Contributions ensued. Neta Hayes' daughter gave a sizeable memorial donation in memory of her mom.

There was a discussion about the use of the church website and possibly announcing the Senior Tea on Facebook.

A motion was requested for the approval of all the reports for the 2016 church year. Peggy moved to accept all the reports. Jeannie seconded the motion and it passed and carried.

Nominating Committee: The nominations for offices were reviewed. No other nominations were offered. Toni moved to accept the slate of officers. Jean seconded. The motion passed and carried. Sue moved to accept new nominees for Trustees and Stewards. Jeannie seconded. The motion passed and carried. The slate of officers is: Moderator- Cindy Price, Moderator Elect- Julia Cox, Clerk- Monica Klingler, Treasurer- Sue Bellotti, Stewards- Jean Kees, Jeannie Reeves, Julia Cox; Trustees- Cindy Price, Nancy Carlson, Sue Bellotti; Christian Education- Sue Bellotti, Musical Director- Sue Bellotti.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

There was no further business.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by Monica Klingler, Clerk

CLERK'S REPORT

2017

Following is information about the members and activities that took place at the Collbran Congregational Church in 2017:

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

- ❖ We have 25 members who are active in our church.
- ❖ An average of 17 people attended church each week, during the past year.
- ❖ Many friends went to be with our Lord, this year, from our church and community. Theirs were lives well lived but we will greatly miss them: Neta Hayes, Glen Hibbert, Jeannine Hibbert, Shaun Hood, Freda Michaelsen, Les Hill, Harry Kingery, Gene Scott, Ruth Van Dyke, Dorothy "Blondie" Maigatter, Dorothy "Winnie" Foley, Lucille Hill, and Velma Lawrence. The Women's Fellowship provided meals for many of these memorial services and Pastor Anne officiated or took part in most of their services.
- ❖ There were no births among our members but three births among family of past or extended family members: Ryker Schowalter (parents: Tracy Hittle Schowalter and Aryk Schowalter in April, 2017). Callan Young (parents: Cecil and Kelsi Hill Young in January 2017). Parker Hill (parents: Jonathan and Chelsy Hill in March 2017).
- ❖ There were no baptisms or dedications.
- ❖ There were no marriages in our church this year.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

- ❖ Pastor Anne Djokic continues to serve our church faithfully with so much love and enthusiasm. Everyone is so thankful for the time she takes to visit with members and their families or with anyone who attends our church as well as those who are sick or find themselves in the hospital or assisted living. This is in addition to her full-time job teaching school in Clifton.
- ❖ Sveti Djokic has done a lot of work around the church yard, making it look so much better and has completed many repairs on the church building, keeping this old building in tip-top shape.
- ❖ Sue Bellotti and Cindy Price continue putting together the monthly "Mustard Seed" to send out news about our church to those who cannot attend. It is a good reminder of upcoming activities. Thank you both for all your work!
- ❖ Collbran Congregational Church held a fun and well-attended Vacation Bible School June 21-23 (thanks to Sue Bellotti and many others!). About 50 children attended the three days of activity and fun. On the Sunday following VBS, the service featured the kids and what they learned.
- ❖ The Children's Sunday School students have learned many good things from the Bible this past year and have sung for the congregation several times. Sue Bellotti continues

to lead the students in learning about Jesus. 5 children have regularly attended during the past year. Sue could really use help with the youngest members.

- ❖ The Adult Bible Study has not been able to meet this year.
- ❖ Women's Fellowship hosted the annual Senior Tea on May 2nd. About 60 people attended and had a very good time, thanks to all the work that the ladies did and thanks to Magician Dave Wallin. Jesse Klingler (and parents) are very thankful for the love that is shown to all the kids and their families!
- ❖ Women's Fellowship prepared and provided for many memorial services, for the Maundy Thursday Sedar supper, for Church potlucks and gatherings, for many mission projects, for the annual luncheon with Grand Junction UCC, and for the Turkey Dinner. Their contributions to the community may not always be noticed but are invaluable and make people feel loved.
- ❖ Kammy McElwain continues to maintain the church's website. It lists community activities and is a good spot to find information about our church. It can be found at <http://www.collbrancongregationalchurch.org.html>
- ❖ Sue Bellotti prepared for and hosted the annual Christmas Recital on December 3rd. Many children and numerous adults provided beautiful music and readings to remind everyone about Baby Jesus and God's amazing love for us.
- ❖ Our Church continues to be available for community activities such as gymnastics classes, basketball, children's activities, 4H meetings, Gray Gourmet, Lion's Club meetings, family parties and get-together's.
- ❖ The Trustees work overtime to keep up with the maintenance and repair of our church and parsonage. With recent water damage to the parsonage, Julia Cox, Cindy Price, and Sue Bellotti have had to work overtime to keep up with work necessary to make repairs. The continued maintenance needs may require the church to make a tough decision on whether we should keep the Parsonage or consider its sale.
- ❖ Becky Showalter continues to keep the church clean and looking good with her custodial work. Nancy Karlson tirelessly continues to help too, as a trustee.

Many good things took place at our little white Collbran Congregational UCC in 2017. It has been an important part of our community for a long time. We are very grateful to the many people who kept it going this past year- Sue Bellotti, Edith Ann Power, Julia Cox, Cindy Price, Pastor Anne, Nancy Karlson, Sylvia Spangler, and many others. Without their time and dedication, we would not be worshipping here today. We pray that more people take an interest and provide assistance to these volunteers so that the Collbran UCC can remain an important part of Collbran and the Plateau Valley for many years to come. May God bless our church and all its attendees, Pastor Anne and Sveto, as well as all of our community and country.

Pastor's Report ~ 2017

Dear Family of the Collbran Congregational, United Church of Christ Church,

Three Scriptures to share:

Colossians 3: 15: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.

Romans 12:6: Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly. (Continue to share your gifts!)

1 Corinthians 12:25-26: So that there is no discord in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another ... and if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

We have shared a very positive; yet, tender year together in the life of our church. We have lost members and friends near and dear to our hearts as well. I thank you for a second tremendous year of "being church." It has been another year of learning and growing for me. We continue to move forward together in a community of caring and a congregation of faith and love. You are a blessing to me!

I will highlight our worship services, special events, memorial services, graveside services, and my visitations record for the 2017 year.

January, 2017

Sundays: January 1, Communion; 8, 15, 22, 29 Regular Worship Services

January 3: Neta Hayes passed away at HopeWest Hospice.

January 7: Memorial Service for Neta Hayes. Picked up daughter Susie Marshall and she rode with me to Collbran for her mother's service.

Sunday, January 29, Church Annual Meeting

February, 2017

Sundays: February 5, Communion and Vacation Bible School Meeting; 12, 19 (off-site), 26 incorporating Ash Wednesday Service within the morning regular worship. Imposition of ashes.

February 18: Attended ballet, Julia and Reese Murphy, Sleeping Beauty.

Saturday, February 25: Memorial Service for Glen Hibbert in Nucla. (Peggy Kohl's father)

March, 2017

Sundays: March 5, Communion; 12, 19 (off-site), 26 Regular Worship Services.

March 26: Delightful lunch at Vega and Tour of Plateau Valley by Sylvia Spangler.

March 28: Invitation to Women's Fellowship Luncheon from Carolyn Ramsey, Grand Junction.

April, 2017

Sundays: April 2, Communion; 9 Palm Sunday, 16 Easter, 23, Worship Services, 30 (off-site).
Saturday, April 8: Plateau Valley Hospice, Spring Swing, Anne gave invocation.
Thursday, April 13 On-site for Passover Seder Service, Maundy Thursday
Saturday, April 22: Memorial Service for Jeannine Hibbert in Nucla. (Peggy Kohl's mother)
Friday, April 28: Attended Women's Fellowship Lunch & Program, Collbran in Grand Junction.

May, 2017

Tuesday, May 2: Senior Tea invocation and gave out Bibles to seniors.
Saturday, May 6: Girls on the Run in Fruita to see Sammi and her friend.
Sundays: May 7, 14 (Mother's Day), 21, Regular Worship and "Potluck" Surprise Party for Pastor Anne's 60th birthday. © *Thank you so much! !* 28 (off-site)
Saturday, May 27: Attended Plateau Valley High School Graduation, Jesse Klinger.

June, 2017

Sundays: June 4, Communion; 11 Attended Rocky Mountain Conference DCC Annual Celebration/Meeting in Cheyenne, WY; 18 Regular Worship; 25 Vacation Bible School Children's Program/Worship.
Sunday, June 11: Shaun Hood passed away.
Saturday, June 17: Memorial Service for Shaun Hood.
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, June 19,21,22,23 onsite for Vacation Bible School.
Monday, June 19: End of life care/visit. Freda Michaelsen passed away.
Friday, June 23: Graveside Service for Freda Michaelsen at Cedar Crest Cemetery.

July, 2017

Sundays: July 2, Communion; 9, 16 (off-site); 23, 30 Regular Worship Services.
Sunday, July 23 Lloyd Power Baptism within regular worship.
Tuesday, July 25: Mesa County Fair, Sheep Arena 8:12 AM - 12:45 PM. 4-H Sheep Showing. Sammi and Lexie Addison, Ashley and Ailis Yanez + families.

August, 2017

Sundays: August 6, Communion; 13,20 (off-site), 27 Regular Worship Services.
Saturday, August 5: Attended Farmer's Market in Mother's Park, 10:00 -11:30 AM.
Monday, August 7: Les Hill passed away.
Friday, August 11: Harry Kingery passed away.
Saturday, August 26: Pastor Anne attended and participated in the Installation Service in Grand Junction for Rev. Jeffery Dodson. Anne also took Rev. Erin Gilmore, RMCDCC Associate Minister, to dinner.
Sunday, August 27: Associate Conference Minister, Rev. Erin Gilmore visited Collbran 12:45 - 2:30 PM. Tour of church by Cindy Price, tour of parsonage, and a drive with Anne to see the area. Great connecting for our church and very much enjoyed by Erin.
Wednesday, August 30: Conference call: Pastor Anne with the Church and Ministry Committee to renew her ministry license. 6:45 -7:37 PM.

September, 2017

Sundays: September 3, Communion; 10, 17, Regular Worship Services, 24 (off-site).
Sunday, September 3: Attended Graveside Service for Harry Kingery. Cindy Price officiated.
Saturday, September 9: Memorial Service for Les Hill at the church. Graveside Service at Clover Cemetery.
Thursday, September 28: Gene Scott passed away at HopeWest Hospice.
Clara Mae Ward's daughter Ruth has passed away.
Saturday, September 30: Pastor Anne attended Dorothy Maigatter's funeral at Martin Mortuary in Grand Junction and spoke on behalf of our congregation.

October, 2017

Sundays: October 1, Communion; 8, 15, 22, 30 (off-site).
Friday, October 6: Anne attended the Western Association Meeting 10:00 AM - 8:15 PM, Grand Junction.
Saturday, October 7: Anne Attended the Western Association Meeting 7:45 AM - 12:00 PM.
Saturday, October 7: Memorial Service for Gene Scott.
Saturday, October 14: Attended Dance Recital of Julia and Reese Murphy, Fruita.

November, 2017

Sundays: November 5, Communion; 12, 19 Regular Worship, 26 (off-site)
Saturday, November 4: Attended Clara Mae Ward's 90th Birthday Party at the church.
Saturday, November 18: Attended, greeted, and participated in the Turkey Dinner.
Sunday, November 19: Winnie Foley passed away.
Sunday, November 26: Anne joined to decorate and soup supper after church in Collbran.

December, 2017

Saturday, December 2: Memorial Service for Winnie Foley.
Saturday, December 2: Planetarium Visit in our Gym, Library sponsored.
Sundays, Advent I, II, III, and IV: December 3. Communion; 10, 17, 24 + Christmas Eve Candlelight Service; 31 (off-site).
Sunday, December 3: Christmas Recital, Anne MC and played a piece.

Summary of Visitations and Calls ~ Pastor Anne: January 1 - December 31, 2017.

Visits to Assisted Living Homes: 27
Visits to Hospitals: 11
Visits to HopeWest Hospice, Grand Junction: 10
Visits to Personal Homes: 23
Phone Calls both Received and Initiated: 212 (Includes all calls for Memorial and Graveside Service planning by the families.)
TOTAL NUMBER of Visits = 71 and Calls = 212. (Overall = 283.)
Children's Events Attended: Girls on the Run 5K; Dance Recitals; Mesa County 4-H Fair.

I look forward to 2018 and all that God will guide us to and through together.

In Christ and with love ~

Pastor Anne Djokic

January 7, 2018

MODERATOR'S REPORT 2017

We were happy to learn in October that Pastor Anne has taken a position with the Western Association Church and Ministry Committee, and that Cyndi Leinberger has taken a position as At Large Member on the Executive Committee. We will welcome reports from them as they attend meetings throughout their terms in those offices.

Goal to revise the By-Laws to reflect more how the church currently functions was not achieved. The plan for the following year will be to divide up the By-Laws in sections for separate council members to make recommendations to accept as is, or to suggest changes. Possible consideration will be to have a separate meeting, or a time of "retreat" to address the needs of the By-Laws.

By-Laws currently place limits on terms of some officers, and based on numbers of people able and willing to serve on the Council, we may recommend this year, in cases where there are no new options, "to suspend the terms for the position of _____ in the next year" so the offices may continue to be filled.

High School and College graduates who were active in our church were given a card with congratulatory messages from several congregants.

The communications were completed to the Chair of Church and Ministry of Western Association to renew Pastor Anne's license for the Association fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

We were able to surprise Pastor Anne with her birthday celebration in August!

Pastor Appreciation Day was celebrated on October 8, 2017.

Council voted on the Christmas bonus for Pastor Anne, Delbert Koehn and Becky Schowalter to show our appreciation of their service to church and community.

It is exciting to include youth into the worship service. They routinely take up the Noisy Offering each first Sunday, and often assist with and, as they grow older (and taller), they bring the light of Christ in at the beginning of church, and take it out after worship. Occasionally they assist as liturgist and become more accustomed to speaking clearly and read scripture passages. They love to assist in ringing the morning bell before worship.

It was fun to learn recently that the "mystery donor" for obtaining and installing the hand rail outside the dining room on the ramp was Norm McAllister. Our deep thanks to Norm for this safety device!

Pastor Anne's service agreement was renewed at the January 8th Council meeting, with the understanding that a letter will also be sent to the Chair of Church and Ministry of Western Association requesting renewal of her license for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Price, Moderator

TREASURER'S REPORT 2017

The Collbran Congregational Church, UCC, successfully met the bills, salary, and maintenance expenses for 2017.

As with 2016, additional expenses were incurred with larger repairs and maintenance projects at the church and parsonage. Maintaining this large structure is a great financial responsibility.

We will continue to be prudent with the management of the funds received from each of you, who so generously and consistently support this church. In-kind donations continue to help keep our spending for everything from office and cleaning supplies, paper products, and crafts for the children in check.

The UC Funds Investment Account has done very well this year with the Stock Market as aggressive as it has been. We ended 2016 with the balance of \$93,897.90. We have deposited the \$12,000 from our insurance into the account until it is needed for the interior repairs on the Parsonage. Growth in the account is over \$10,000.00 for the year. We will be drawing from this account in January 2018 to cover the foundation repairs at the Parsonage. This will be a bill of \$25,459.00.

I thank each of you for your financial support and your time and energy spent supporting this church building and family. It is the people who make the church. This building is simply the place where we meet.

YEAR END ACCOUNT BALANCES

Grand Valley Bank Checking	\$ -688.11
Grand Valley Bank Savings	\$16,119.02
UC Funds (Investment Acct.)	\$117,530.80

GRAND VALLEY BANK SAVINGS ACCOUNT BREAKDOWN

General Fund	\$ 6,378.68
Food Bank	\$ 352.92
Stewards	\$ 546.42
Memorial Fund	\$ 7,560.00
Youth/VBS	\$ -0-
Stewardship Funds	\$ 305.00
Music	\$ 200.00
Building Repairs	\$ 776.00
YEAR END BALANCE ON ACCT	\$16,119.02

Respectfully,

Sue Bellotti, Treasurer

The Collbran Congregational Church has long supported missions within our valley, county, state, and the world as well.

Each month is celebrated with a Noisy Offering of change and bills for specific mission projects. Other mission projects are special missions for which donations are individually supported. Donations this year were for the following:

NOISY OFFERING LIST 2017 MISSIONS REPORT 2017

JAN 2017 Mesa County Habitat for Humanity \$82.80 Pd Ck 7563

Feb 2017 Plateau Valley Robotics \$ 89.33 Pd CK 7432

Mar 2017 Young Life Camperships \$41.72 Pd Ck 7431

Apr 2017 VBS Program \$29.15 Trans to savings

May 2017 Child and Migrant Workers \$46.26 Pd Ck 7456

June 2017 PV Resource Center \$56.48 Pd Ck 7465

July 2017 PV Cancer Fund Joyce Chicos \$40.00 Pd Ck 7479

Aug 2017 Come Let's Dance \$55.13 Pd Ck 7511

Sept 2017 Project Niger \$64.84 Pd Ck 7512

Oct 2017 Collbran Lions Club \$95.15 Pd Ck 7513

Nov 2017 Casa Milagra \$ 52.75 Pd Ck 7550

Dec 2017 Blanket Fund \$ 86.35 Pd Ck 7564

TOTAL MISSION GIVING FOR NOISY OFFERINGS \$739.96 FOR 2017

OTHER MISSIONS:

CHURCH WORLD MISSION (Blanket Fund) \$ 86.35

NEIGHBORS IN NEED \$ 25.00

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MISSION (Collection designated to Homeward

Bound GJ) \$ 394.00

CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING (Retired Pastor's Fund) \$ 265.00

One Great Hour of Sharing \$ 10.00

TOTAL MISSION GIVING FOR OTHER MISSIONS \$780.35 FOR 2017

Description	Proposed for 2017		Actual 2017		Proposed for 2018	
INCOME						
Building Income	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 2,135.00		\$ 2,500.00	
Interest Income	\$ 1,200.00		\$ 1,342.00		\$ 1,300.00	
Cash Offering	\$ 3,500.00		\$ 2,315.00		\$ 2,500.00	
Misc Offering	\$ 4,500.00		\$ 930.00		\$ 3,500.00	
Sunday School Offering	\$ 200.00		\$ 160.00		\$ 200.00	
Offering - Other	\$ 35,000.00		\$ 32,541.00		\$ 32,500.00	
Total Income	\$ 46,900.00		\$ 39,423.00		\$ 42,500.00	
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EXPENSES						
Marketing and Promotions	\$ 400.00		\$ -			
Bank Service Chg	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
	\$ 500.00		\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
CONTRACT LABOR						
Custodial Contract	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 2,580.00		\$ 3,000.00	
Pastor	\$ 24,000.00		\$ 15,375.00		\$ 16,400.00	
TOTAL	\$ 27,000.00		\$ 17,955.00		\$ 19,400.00	
Workers Comp Ins	\$ 500.00		\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	
Liability Insurance	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 9,200.00		\$ 9,500.00	
	\$ 9,500.00					
MAINTENANCE						
Church bldg maint/rep	\$ 7,000.00		\$ 10,400.00		\$ 10,000.00	
Parsonage maint/rep	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 5,100.00		\$ 40,000.00	FOUNDATION
TOTAL	\$ 8,000.00		\$ 15,500.00		\$ 50,000.00	& INTERIOR
Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00		\$ 26.00		\$ 100.00	
Property Tax	\$ 156.60		\$ 160.00		\$ 160.00	
	\$ 656.60		\$ 186.00		\$ 260.00	
Church Supplies (Stewards)						
Office Expense	\$ 200.00		\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00	
Computer Services	\$ 200.00		\$ -		\$ -	
Sunday School Curriculum	\$ 50.00		\$ -		\$ 50.00	
WebSite Maint	\$ 200.00		\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	
Conferences/Cont Ed	\$ 300.00		\$ 200.00		\$ 300.00	
	\$ 950.00		\$ 750.00		\$ 900.00	
UTILITIES						
Electricity						
Church	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,005.00		\$ 1,000.00	
Parsonage	\$ 450.00		\$ 656.00		\$ 450.00	
	\$ 1,450.00					
Gas						
Church	\$ 4,000.00		\$ 3,153.00		\$ 3,500.00	
Parsonage	\$ 1,400.00		\$ 1,400.00		\$ 850.00	
	\$ 5,400.00					
Telephone						

Church	\$	1,000.00	\$	675.00	\$	700.00		
Parsonage	\$	500.00	\$	400.00	\$	-		
Fees, Taxes, Surcharges	\$	475.00	\$	400.00	\$	350.00		
Internet	\$	700.00	\$	700.00	\$	700.00		
	\$	2,675.00						
Church water/sewef	\$	684.00	\$	619.00	\$	650.00		
Parsonage water/sewer	\$	700.00	\$	600.00	\$	500.00		
TOTAL UTILITIES	\$	13,584.86	\$	9,608.00	\$	8,700.00		
Western Ass'n Dues 23 Members	\$	125.00	\$	125.00	\$	125.00		
OCWM Donation	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	500.00		
Rocky Mtn Conference Dues	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	500.00		
	\$	1,125.00	\$	1,125.00	\$	1,125.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	34,255.42	\$	36,469.00	\$	60,585.00	\$	20,585.00
							\$	40,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$	46,900.00	\$	39,423.00	\$	42,500.00	CHURCH	
					\$	12,000.00	INSURANCE	
					\$	25,000.00	UCFUNDS	

STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2017

An annual letter of appeal for financial support to maintain the church and community building and grounds was composed by Cyndi Leinberger and Cindy Price and mailed mid spring. The amazing result was \$3,240. Thank you/tax notes were sent in October.

Much of the money received was used for repairs to the dining room and to the canopy over the dining room entrance. Thank you to the many who responded to the appeal!

Watch for the 2018 Annual Appeal again this spring. Please prayerfully consider how you can participate. Your support makes a huge difference as we strive to finance needed upkeep.

Respectfully submitted,

Cyndi Leinberger, Chair, Stewardship Committee

STEWARD'S REPORT 2017

The Steward's duties are to greet congregants and guests coming to church, hand out bulletins, ring the bell, record the number of people attending worship and bring in the Light of Christ during the Prelude. On the first Sunday of each month they prepare and help serve Communion. At the end of each service the Light of Christ is taken out. They participate as ushers in taking collection during service.

Pastor Anne Djokic arranges for Pulpit Supply on the Sunday's that she will absent.

Additional support given through the past year include the following:

January 2017 – Help during service for Neta Hayes and with the dinner afterward.

March 2017 - Helped with Maundy Thursday meal, preparing food and helping with cleanup.

April 2017 – Handed out palms for Palm Sunday Service. Arrange for the purchase of Easter lilies for the sanctuary. Murphy children helped ring the bell. An Easter Egg hunt took place in the park. The children celebrated during the service with music and a stick dance.

May 2017 - The Senior Tea was served to about 75 people. The Stewards assisted Womens Fellowship. Mother's Day Butterflies were made by Jean Kees and handed out to mothers. May 21, 2017 – a surprise Birthday Party for Pastor Anne's 60th. Stewards purchased the cake, helped with the meal and served.

June 2017 – Fathers were presented with bookmarks and money clips for Father's Day. Snacks were served for the Vacation Bible School students and staff. A hot dog picnic was served on Friday, wrapping up a busy few days.

July 2017 – Baptism of Lloyd Power. His family was at the service and refreshments and cake were served.

August 2017 – Stewards helped with Shaun Hood service and dinner.

September 2017 – Stewards helped with Les Hill service and memorial.

November 2017 – Assisted in serving the Turkey Dinner – Took money and sold toffee. The Soup Supper and decorating the church for Christmas took place. Everyone helped.

December 2017 – Attended and handed out programs and helped provide cookies at the Christmas Recital. Poinsettias were ordered for the sanctuary, Advent Candles lit each Sunday, and Christmas Eve Service covered.

Peggy Shiflet served as support Steward when needed. Thank you, Peggy.

Average Church attendance throughout the year was 21.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Reeves, Jean Kees, Edith Ann Power and Sylvia Spangler

TRUSTEE REPORT
2017

Trustees have dealt with several issues with both the church and parsonage over the past year.

The canopy over the dining room entry from Mothers Park was becoming unsafe from rotted lumber. Svetlo Djokic offered to repair it. He donated his time to do the fine job of restoration that you see today, when you enter the dining room. Thank you, Svetlo!

Svetlo also supervised, trimmed trees, shrubs, lilac bushes, and spirea in all the yard areas of the church. They have needed a professional pruning for several years, and they sure look nice again. Deep appreciation for Svetlo's skills is expressed by many who enjoy the new look. Many hands supported these activities, in providing meals, trash pick up and haul away. Thanks to all! (Monica, Delbert, Casey, Nancy, David Schowalter, Cindy and others.) It's been nice to see the result of the much-needed upkeep!

Dining Room and kitchen doors were painted for weather resistance. Dining room windows were sealed and waterproofed, and water damage to the sills and walls below the windows was repaired. Gutter down drain was re-attached on the west roof to stop splash with run off from the roof on that side. The church and parsonage were power washed, and repair was done to the west porch and pergola at the parsonage.

Hand rail was provided, painted and installed (by an anonymous mystery donor) on the descending section of the ramp into the dining room entry. Many thanks to this person!

Hand rail was installed inside the Sanctuary to assist entry to and from the overflow room. Thanks again go to Svetlo for measuring, ordering, painting and installing it.

The sprinkler systems are getting old (as sprinkler systems go) and require weekly, if not daily attention, to keep our lawns green and welcoming. Many thanks to Delbert, Nancy, Rory, Sue, Tom Bieser and others!

Nancy and Debbie Hamm donated labor and love for the flower bed under the cross in Mothers Park. It helps spread welcome and kindness in the park. Thank you, Ladies!

Becky Schowalter makes our church shine! When you enter our sanctuary, the floors and pews are clean and welcoming. Our Lord is honored when you decorate the pews by your attendance each week. WELCOME! And thank you for coming.

Nancy Karlson manages the dining room and kitchen. When you walk into the dining room and kitchen, the tables and counters are clean and the floor shines. Please continue to clean your areas when you use the building, leaving it in a little better condition than it was when you entered it. It all helps!

The gymnasium stays busy with various activities throughout the weeks. It is a blessing for our community to have this extra floor space. Thank you for sharing it with us.

Mothers Park is busy with children and adults on a regular basis. Delbert Koehn makes it welcoming for all, with his attention to mowing, watering, trimming, and snow/ice removal from "THE SLAB" and sidewalks. (That is a huge assignment when the acres of snow slide off the roof.)

Due to a water leak in the parsonage, much damage was done to about half the rooms. The repair requires sheetrock, plumbing, and painting, and the cost extends beyond the insurance coverage. In addition, it became clear that foundation repair was needed to prevent further damage to the building, from years long foundation changes. Foundation Repair of Western Colorado provided the repairs needed, and as the New Year opens, we will be seeking bids for the water damaged sections of the parsonage. It will be a beautiful AND stable building when finished! Prayerful thanksgiving to our Lord, for the early discovery of the leak, and for guidance in repairs. Julia has been most helpful in her oversight of "The Parsonage Project".

West lawn drainage causes kitchen flooding from snow/ice melt or rain. Much information has been gathered regarding options to fix this issue. Clarke and Company, Inc, of Grand Junction has offered a plan, and offered to donate use of their equipment and an operator to run it for the work needed. Work is scheduled to begin as soon as possible.

Still on our "needs" list are the following items:

- Repair water damage at the parsonage.
- Remove the tree parts that have grown into the chain link fence on the west end of Mothers Park.
- Paint the Swing Set and Climbing Horse in the Park.
- Renew the sand under the Swing Set.
- Provide Pavers under the park benches.
- Repair Marquee in front of church
- Build grade from church building to the lilac bushes on west lawn
- Repair or replace sprinkler system on west lawn
- Continue to ShopVac the water as it leaks into the kitchen (after every precipitation)
- Repair pipe leak in the kitchen at the sink island
- Repair leak in men's bathroom downstairs.

We were pleased with the community response to the annual appeal, providing funds desperately needed for repairs and upkeep. We express our heartfelt appreciation for community members supporting our efforts for the church and grounds. We strive to prayerfully address our list and be good stewards of our church, grounds, community building and parsonage.

You can see there is no lack of work to be done, always keeping in mind the budget to cover it all, and continue to maintain budgeted expenses and missions. Please keep our church in your prayers as we all strive to be good stewards of the gift of this church to our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Price, Julia Cox, Sue Bellotti and Nancy Karlson, Trustees

MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2017 has been a good year for the church music program. Ann Anderson and I have provided music for the services. I have played for funeral services, when requested.

We have enjoyed having Julia Murphy share her new talents on the piano during church.

The children from the Sunday school often participated with songs before and during church services. They also performed at the annual Christmas recital, under my direction.

The Annual Christmas Recital was, again, a success. So many performers have come forward we may look at reducing the numbers performed by each individual or group to keep the program at about an hour.

Most Sincerely,

Sue Bellotti Music Director

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

As Christian Education Director I strive to keep the Sunday school classes staffed and provide lessons and crafts, each week. We have a regular attendance of 5 children. We miss Edith Ann Power as our loyal helper and substitute teacher. We pray for her frequently.

Edith Ann Power, Julia Cox or Shannon Murphy have been available to fill in when needed. Thank you so very much.

Vacation Bible School went quite smoothly this past summer with about 50 children regularly attending. We will use a lot of the same camping backdrops and props from 2017 for our 2018 program. Camping and being outdoors is not only fun for the children but very workable for the staff. Curriculum will change and the crafts will be new for 2018. We had excellent staff help this summer. Thank you all.

Vacation Bible School for 2018 has been scheduled for June 27, 28, and 29th with a program for the families and congregation on Sunday, June 30th.

The Lasagna Supper Fund Raiser in March of 2017 paid for the program in its entirety. The community is wonderful in supporting our efforts.

This year's Lasagna Supper Fundraiser has been scheduled for March 16, 2018. We will be serving and preparing lasagna, bread, salad, and dessert. Vacation Bible School is scheduled for the last of June.

Sincerely,

Sue Bellotti Christian Education Director

There were seventy health care packs made and given to the Grand Junction Rescue Mission. In addition, miscellaneous toiletries were also donated, including 2 towels and a baby blanket.

The Sunshine Committee sent out 145 "Get Well" or "Thinking of You" cards as well as 20 sympathy cards.

The Food Bank needs were met, thanks to the community. At present several people are using the food bank. We received a \$400 donation from Marigold Market.

Our annual coat giveaway is a much needed project for our community. Thanks to the Collbran Supply for providing space to display the coats. Thank you to those who donated coats, scarves, hats, and mittens. Thirteen hats and 10 pairs of gloves were also collected for Plateau Valley Elementary School.

There were 25 ladies from our community and the Grand Junction Congregational Church that attended the Women in Mission Luncheon there. The program was a review of Daniel's Commitment to God.

The annual Senior Tea served approximately 60 people. Graduating seniors, parents, grandparents, and faculty enjoyed the event. Dave Wallin, once again, provided excellent entertainment with his magic show.

Our main fundraiser, the annual Turkey Dinner, was a success. We served about 100 people. Thanks to hard work and generous donations we made approximately \$1300.00. Almond toffee was sold at the event. Thank you to Cindy Price for making and donating candy. Thank you to Jeannie Reeves for encouraging donations.

Women's Fellowship made a donation of \$1000.00 to the church to help with heating expenses.

The flowerbed in the park was planted and cared for, it was beautiful throughout the spring and summer.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2017

Women's Fellowship assisted with 8 funeral dinners and paid for food for the Maundy Thursday meal. The funeral dinners were in honor of: Neta Hayes, Dorothy Maigatter, Gene Scott, Shawn Hood, Les Hill, Lucille Hill, and Winnie Foley.

We collected 45 items, consisting of 28 pair socks, 4 pair of gloves and 13 hats for the VA hospital. These items were delivered to Chaplain Charles Grimsley. We also made miscellaneous baby item donations to the Pregnancy Center.

In September we had a sock collection, donating "100 pairs to Homeward Bound, a local ministry.

We purchased new vinyl tablecloths in a pleasing green and blue plaid pattern.

Women's Fellowship provided snacks for Vacation Bible School including veggies, fruits, crackers, meat & cheese, and fruit juice. We successfully hosted a pot luck for the children and their families on the last day of Bible School. Many attended and enjoyed food and fellowship. We appreciate those who assisted with the children.

Bank Balance: December 31, 2016 \$2184.91

December 31, 2017 \$4158.28

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Karlson, President

Clara Ward, Vice President

Julia Cox, Secretary-Treasurer

PASTORAL/PARISH RELATIONS REPORT 2017

Members of the PPRC are determined by the by-laws: The committee shall consist of four persons. Immediate Past Moderator (Sylvia Spangler), Past-past Moderator (Julia Cox), a lay person from the congregation chosen by the Council (), and a lay person from the congregation chosen by the pastor (). This committee reports recommendations to the Council.

Although there has been no formal meeting of the PPRC over the past year, based on the satisfaction reported by congregants of Collbran Congregational Church, United Church of Christ for Pastor Anne's service, the general feeling appears to be that those attending church are satisfied with her performance and attention to their lives and needs.

At the regularly called Council Meeting on January 8, 2018, it was unanimously agreed that Pastor Anne Djokic would extend her service agreement for the year 2018.

It was agreed that the request will be made to the Chair of Church and Ministry Committee of Western Association to renew her pastor's license effective July, which is the "annual" timeline for the Association (July 1 through June 30 each year).

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Price, Moderator

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2017

The balance in the Memorial account is \$7,560 after additional donations were received this year in honor of the following family, friends and neighbors:

Freda Michaelsen,
Shaun Hood,
Harry Kingery,
Dorothy Maigatter,
Lucille Hill,
Winnie Foley,
Les Hill

Thank you to the many who donated in honor of these beloved people. Their absence is noted in our communities and our church.

Please consider honoring loved ones in this way. Your memorial donations help a great deal, in maintaining our mission to teach and spread God's Word and show His great Love through our church family.

It is with a mix of sadness and honor that we attempt to designate memorial funds so they will make a statement to our respect and love for deceased church family members.

Considerations currently are as follows:

Repair the Marquee in front of the church;
Refresh the play area in Mothers Park (New sand and paint)
Update the plaque containing Ministers' names and dates of service for the Collbran Congregational Church
Update the tracking book of memorial items donated over the years.

If you have other ideas, please contact Nancy Karlson or Cindy Price.

Respectively submitted,

Nancy Karlson and Cindy Price

COLLBRAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

2017 ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 28, 2018

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>SERVED 2017</u>	<u>APPOINTMENT FOR 2018</u>	<u>NOMINATION 2018</u>
MODERATOR*	CINDY PRICE	1 OF 1 YEAR	JULIA COX
MODERATOR ELECT**	JULIA COX	1 OF 1 YEAR	SYLVIA SPANGLER
PAST MODERATOR***	SYLVIA SPANGLER	1 OF 1 YEAR	CINDY PRICE
CLERK	MONICA KLINGLER	1 OF 1 YEAR	MONICA KLINGLER
TREASURER	SUE BELLOTTI	1 OF 1 YEAR	SUE BELLOTTI
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION****	SUE BELLOTTI EDITH ANN POWER	2 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS	SUE BELLOTTI SHANNON MURPHY/JULIA COX
MUSIC DIRECTOR	SUE BELLOTTI ANN ANDERSON	1 OF 1 YEAR 2 OF 1 YEAR	SUE BELLOTTI ANN ANDERSON
STEWARSHIP CHMN	CYNDI LEINBERGER	1 OF 1 YEAR	CYNDI LEINBERGER
WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP	NANCY KARLSON	PRESIDENT OF WF	NANCY KARLSON
TRUSTEES****			
4 TRUSTEES Alternating every 2 yrs.	SUE BELLOTTI NANCY KARLSON CINDY PRICE JULIA COX	1/2 1/2 2/2 2/2	2 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS
STEWARDS****			
4 STEWARDS Alternating every 2 yrs.	EDITH ANN POWER JEANNE KEES JEANNIE REEVES DEBBIE H/SYLVIA S	1/2 1/2 2/2 2/2	? 2/2 JEANNIE REEVES SYLVIA SPANGLER
COMMITTEES to be named by Council			
PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS	SYLVIA SPANGLER – PM JULIA COX – PPM EDITH ANN POWER - COUNCIL REP PASTOR REP TBA	1 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEAR 2 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS	CINDY PRICE – PM SYLVIA SPANGLER – PPM _____ – PASTOR REP _____ – COUNCIL REP
MEMORIAL COMMITTEE****	Nancy Carlson Cindy Price	1 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS	NANCY KARLSON CINDY PRICE

*Elect for 1 year – not eligible for re-election for Moderator or Moderator Elect for 1 year

**Elect for 1 year – automatically entered on slate of officers for position of Moderator

***Ex-Officio member – acts in advisory capacity to Moderator or Council

****Elect for 2 year alternating term. Ineligible for re-election to same office for 1 year.



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