

**COLLBRAN CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH,  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
2018**



**ANNUAL MEETING**

**JANUARY 27, 2019**

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**COLLBRAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC**

**2018 ANNUAL MEETING**

**JANUARY 20, 2019**

**AGENDA**

**BLESSING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ESTABLISH QUORUM** (30% of current active membership) – Votes pass at 2/3 of members present.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

**MINUTES OF 2017 ANNUAL MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETINGS 2018**

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**ADJOURN**

**Collbran Congregational Church, UCC**  
**Annual Meeting Minutes**  
**January 21, 2018**

Collbran Congregational Church, UCC Annual Meeting Minutes January 21, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Cindy Price at 1:15 pm, following a delicious selection of potluck dishes while visiting and enjoying time together.

Pastor Anne offered a prayer to start the meeting. We are thankful for our community of faith and our beautiful world. We are thankful for our church.

15 people were in attendance. 13 were members so a quorum was met (see attached sign in sheet).

Cindy asked folks to review and approve the agenda. Sylvia moved to accept the agenda and Sveto seconded. The motion passed and carried. The minutes from the 2016 year/ 2017 annual meeting were reviewed. They were approved at the February 2017 Council meeting.

Sue pointed out that Annie Anderson has been present at almost every meeting for a long time. We are sad that she could not be here for this one.

Clerk's Report: Monica presented the report for 2017. There was one correction. Lloyd Power should be added to the folks baptized. He was baptized on July 23, 2017. Monica noted that we now have 30 members.

Pastor's Report: Anne shared all the things she has been a part of for the past year. She said that she greatly appreciates having a Sunday off each month. She wanted us to know that she is willing to not take a weekend off during the upcoming Lenten season. She is having a good school year- easier than others have been, so she is willing to not take a Sunday off during Lent. She thanked everyone for their support. We thank Anne for her amazing energy and for her love for people and our church. We thank her and Sveto for all they do for our church.

Moderator's Report: Cindy gave her report. She said that it has been an exciting year for Church Council. She is thankful for everyone working together to tackle the problems that arise.

Treasurer's Report: Sue gave the Treasurer's Report. Sveto asked about the number in the year end balances. It was negative at the end of December but showed positive at the beginning of January. Sue said that the number is indeed positive. She reviewed the proposed budget for 2018. She explained the huge increase in the maintenance costs for the Parsonage. We have money in Savings from insurance for these repairs. The water bill cost has gone down since there is little use at the Parsonage. \$150 each is paid for taxes for the church and Parsonage. The Church and Parsonage are tax exempt but Sue has to fill out forms stating that and has to pay the \$150 each to file those forms. We also pay \$10 tax for Elna Hall's property that was donated to the church. Sue also pointed out that the Parsonage no longer has a phone.

Stewardship Report: Cyndi Leinberger gave the Stewardship Report. This committee sent out a letter, in the spring, to the church and community asking for contributions for all the different uses of our

church. \$3240 was received as a result of that letter. This money has been used to make many additional changes around the church.

Steward's Report: Jeannie gave the Stewards report. The Stewards do an amazing job in keeping things running smoothly at the church, for communion, for weekly services, and for special services. They also help line up help to provide food for fellowship time after services as well as special events. They order and purchase poinsettias for Christmas, lilies at Easter, and palms for Palm Sunday. Without them, things would not go well at all!

Trustee's Report: Julia and Cindy gave their report. The Trustees have been exceedingly busy this year in trying to keep up with all the unfortunate things that have occurred at the Parsonage or Church. More help is definitely needed. Julia, Cindy, Sue, and Nancy need a small army to help keep things running smoothly. They have undertaken all the work themselves with help from Sveto, Rory White, Becky Schowalter, and others. On this note, it should be added to the report that Sveto sealed the crack in the sidewalk on the northeast side of the church, to keep water from running down the wall there. It was agreed that the Trustees are definitely angels in disguise and we all thank them for their loving care of the Church and facilities.

Music Report: Sue gave the music report. Since we are down a pianist, she needs some help! We greatly appreciate Sue's beautiful music played for our church services and for coordinating the Christmas Recital.

Christian Education: Sue gave this report as well. She works so hard in so many aspects to keep our church viable. Thank you Sue! She said that we definitely need more kids and more helpers.

Women's Fellowship: Nancy gave the Fellowship report. She thanked everyone for donations made for all of their projects. She mentioned that they will ask Sue to take money from their account and add it to the church's account so that it can gain interest.

Pastor/Parish Relations: Cindy noted that there was no activity in this committee in 2017. Edith Ann Power has been the Pastor's representative but will not be able to continue that. Overall, the church and community are happy with how things are going but it would be good to continue this committee.  
Memorial Committee: Cindy and Nancy gave this report.

A motion was requested for the approval of all the reports for the 2017 church year. Sveto moved to accept all the reports with the correction to the December final balance. Jean seconded the motion and it passed and carried.

Nominating Committee: The nominations for offices were reviewed. A variance will have to be made to our by-laws because the Christian Education position is supposed to have a 2 year term. Sue will take that position again. Many other positions are beyond the term limits. Peggy Shiflet will take over for Edith Ann Power as a Steward, for the 2nd year of the term. Jeannie Reeves and Sylvia Spangler will continue as Stewards. Cindy and Julia will take another term as Trustees. Jean moved to over-ride the term limits to allow people to fill the positions. Jim Cole seconded. The motion passed and carried. Sveto moved to accept the slate of nominees. Jean seconded. The motion passed and carried.

The slate of officers is: Moderator- Julia Cox, Moderator Elect- Sylvia Spangler, Past Moderator: Cindy Price; Clerk- Monica Klingler, Treasurer- Sue Bellotti, Stewards- Jean Kees, Jeannie Reeves, Sylvia Spangler, Peggy Shiflet; Trustees- Cindy Price, Nancy Karlson, Sue Bellotti; Julia Cox; Christian Education- Sue Bellotti and Shannon Murphy/Julia Cox, Musical Director- Sue Bellotti. Pastor Parish Relations- Cindy Price and Sylvia Spangler. Memorial Committee- Nancy Karlson and Cindy Price.

Old Business: None

New Business: Cindy Price discussed concerns about the Parsonage. The foundation was repaired. Now we need to get bids for repair of the water soaked walls and floors. Randy Hall, Pete Kenney, and others are potential bidders. It was pointed out that none of the local folks are licensed or bonded. Sue thought that it would be best to have someone who is licensed and bonded. After repairs are made to the parsonage, we will consider selling the building. This will need to be discussed with and voted on by the church members. Another meeting will be convened to make this decision. Sylvia thinks that since we have put so much money and time into the parsonage for repairs and upkeep, the only way to recoup the money will be to sell it. Lloyd feels half-opposed since it will be difficult to ever have another parsonage. Other thought was that renting would not be a viable option for a future pastor. We will not likely be able to hire a full-time pastor again. It was noted that The Assembly of God church also had to give up their Parsonage. It is tough for all churches.

There was no further business.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by Monica Klingler, Clerk

## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT – CLERK

*The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Church and of the Church Council. He/she shall keep a register with addresses of the members of the church with dates and manner of their reception and removal. He/she shall provide the register of members to the Board of Stewards for the Annual Survey. The register shall also contain a record of baptisms, marriages, and funerals. He/she shall issue letters of transfer voted by the Church Council, notify the churches to which they are addressed, preserve on file communications and written official reports, notify all persons elected to offices and committees, give legal notices of all meetings when such notices are necessary, and conduct all correspondence so far as this is not otherwise provided. The Clerk shall be elected for a term of one year. The Clerk shall summarize the records in a report for the Annual Meeting.*

### CLERK'S REPORT 2018

Following is information about the members and activities that took place at the Collbran Congregational Church throughout 2018:

#### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

- ❖ We accepted 13 new members! They were Sveto, Anne, and Elliot Djokic; Lloyd Power, Jean Kees, Deane Cole, Eli and Rachel Jennings, and the Yanez family- Miguel, Berenice, Ashley, Ailis, and Miquel Jr. We have 65 people listed as friends/members of the church but of those, 35 are considered active members of the church.
- ❖ An average of 20 people attended church each week, during the past year.
- ❖ Many friends went to be with our Lord, this year, from our church and community. Each of them are greatly missed: Leslie Jean Nisbet- friend; Eddie Lee Satterfield- family; Gerry Wilhite- friend; Isaac Michael Wilcox- family; Alma Fern Dean- friend; Lynn Von Ehrenkrook, Jr. – friend; Henry L. Madaris- friend; Richard (Dick) Stites- friend; Leah Winkleblack- friend and former member; Verna Severson- member; Blanche Marshall- member; Diane Milholland DeOnier- friend; Rita Bevan- friend; Edith Ann Power- member; Harold DuCray- friend; Bud Norell- friend; Doralyn Genova- friend; Eugene (Gene) Stricklan- friend; Forrest Clifton- friend; George Bevan- friend; Curtis White- friend. The Women's Fellowship provided meals for many of these memorial services and Pastor Anne officiated or took part in many of their services.
- ❖ There were no births among our members but two births among extended family of members: Aspen Grace Hill (parents: Jonathan and Chelsy Hill, great-grandparents Allen and Lita Hill, on November 10, 2018). Josie Lynn Hittle (parents Steven and Becky Hittle, grandparents Les and Loi Hittle on October 13, 2018).
- ❖ There were two baptisms performed by Pastor Anne Djokic. Hazel Elizabeth Jennings was baptized on 4/15/2018 and Dakota Hall was baptized on 5/13/2018.
- ❖ There were no marriages in our church this year.

#### CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

- ❖ We are so thankful that Pastor Anne Djokic continues to serve our church and that Sveto fills in for numerous odd jobs as assistant to the Pastor 😊. We are all thankful for the time Anne contributes, throughout each week, to visit with members and their families or with anyone else who requests her presence. This is in addition to her full-time job teaching school at Clifton Elementary.

- ❖ Sveto Djokic has completed much-needed work around the church yard, making it look so much better and Norm McCallister has painted and made repairs on the porches and the welcome sign in front of the church, making them look much nicer. Thank you both for all you do!
- ❖ Sue Bellotti and Cindy Price continue putting together the monthly “Mustard Seed” to send out news about our church to those who cannot attend and as a reminder of upcoming activities for everyone. Thank you both for your ongoing work!
- ❖ Collbran Congregational Church held another fun Vacation Bible School June 27-29 (thanks to Sue Bellotti for organizing it and to many others for making it happen!). 34 children and 25 volunteers 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. 3-5 children have regularly attended during the past year.
- ❖ The Adult Bible Study met and learned more of our God through several studies this year. Pastor Anne led those programs. 1-4 people attended.
- ❖ Women’s Fellowship hosted the annual Senior Tea on May 1st. 23 students and their families from Plateau Valley High School, 15 students from Grand Mesa High School, as well as Gov Aker of the Job Corps and superintendant Mike Page from the Plateau Valley schools attended and had a very good time. Many thanks to Pastor Anne, to all the work that the Women’s Fellowship did in preparation, and thanks to Magician Dave Wallin. This continues to be a good outreach to area 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>
- ❖ Our church hosted the annual Christmas Recital on December 2nd. Many children and numerous adults provided beautiful music and readings to remind everyone about the most important reason that we celebrate Christmas -God’s amazing love for us.
- ❖ Our Church continues to be available for community activities such as gymnastics and dance classes, basketball, children’s activities, 4H meetings, Gray Gourmet, Lion’s Club meetings, family parties and get-together’s. Many community members use our church each year.
- ❖ The Trustees worked very hard to keep up with the maintenance and repair of our church and parsonage. After making repairs to damage at the parsonage, the church voted at a Special Called Church Meeting on April 15, 2018, to put the Parsonage up for sale. This was a bittersweet decision but due to huge expenses in upkeep and due to it not being used regularly, this decision was voted on and passed in favor of sale. The Parsonage was sold in June to some very good people. It will be a relief to the Trustees to only have to worry about upkeep on the church now. Many thanks are given to Julia Cox, Cindy Price, and Sue Bellotti for all the work they have done and continue to do, to keep our facilities in good condition.



Nancy Karlson also tirelessly continues to help and give input too, as a trustee.

- ❖ Becky Showalter continues to keep the church clean and looking good with her custodial work.
- ❖ Delbert Koehn helps keep the lawn mowed and diligently shovels snow each winter. He is a tireless and conscientious worker.
- ❖ Many good things happened at Collbran Congregational UCC in 2018. It continues to be an important place in our community. We are very grateful to all the people who work behind the scenes, to keep things going. Without their time and dedication, we would not be able to continue worshipping here. We pray that our Collbran Congregational UCC can be an important part of the lives of folks in 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 our country.

**Collbran Congregational Church has  
provided for our community for 118  
years!**



Respectfully submitted,

Monika Klingler, Clerk

## Pastor Anne's Report ~ 2018

*The pastor shall, with the assistance of the Church Council, be in charge of the spiritual welfare of the church.*

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

Our year together, 2018, has been a wonderful and productive year of worship, energy, growth, outreach, and community! From Romans 12: 4-6; 10-13: *“For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.”*

I thank you all for a third, tremendous year of “being church!” It has been a very positive and exciting year for me with you in genuine relationship. I am honored and humbled to serve you. You are a blessing to me! Continue to use your talents and gifts to serve God. We are poised for an amazing 2019 year, given the momentum and potential of our congregation!

I will highlight our worship services, special events, memorial services, graveside services, and my visitation record for the 2018 year.

### January, 2018

Sundays: January 7<sup>th</sup>, Communion; 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> regular worship and Reception of Five New Members and Annual Meeting; 28<sup>th</sup> Anne off-site.

January 6<sup>th</sup>: Anne attended the Western Association of the Rocky Mountain Conference of the U.C.C. “Church on Ministry Committee” meeting in Grand Junction. Anne is serving on the committee for a three year term.

### February, 2018

Sundays: February 4<sup>th</sup>, Communion; 11<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday Service within morning worship; imposition of ashes; 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> regular worship.

February 20<sup>th</sup>: Fern Dean passed away.

### March, 2018

Sundays: March 4<sup>th</sup>, Communion; 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> regular worship.

March 3<sup>rd</sup>: Anne watched Marshall Jennings's basketball game at East Middle School.

March 9<sup>th</sup>: Attended Ballet Performance, Fruita Middle School, Julia and Reese Murphy.

March 16<sup>th</sup>: Attended Lasagna Dinner; fund raiser for Vacation Bible School.

March 29<sup>th</sup>: On-site for Passover/Seder Meal.

### April, 2018

Sundays: April 1<sup>st</sup>, Easter and Communion; 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> ~ Baptism of Hazel Jennings; 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> regular worship.

April 4<sup>th</sup>: News of Dick Stites passing.

April 10<sup>th</sup>: Officiated for Memorial Service and Graveside Service for Richard “Dick” Stites, Collbran.

April 14<sup>th</sup>: Attended the HopeWest Hospice Spring Swing. Gave the invocation. Mesa Community Center.

April 23<sup>rd</sup>: Church and Ministry ZOOM call for renewal interview of license and Western Association business. My license was renewed.

#### May, 2018

Sundays: May 6<sup>th</sup>, Communion and Reception of Five New Members; 13<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day and Baptism of Dakota Hall, regular worship; 20<sup>th</sup> Pentecost, red balloons in sanctuary; 27<sup>th</sup> Anne off-site.

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Anne on-site for Senior Tea.

May 19<sup>th</sup>: Anne attended Adagio Dance Recital, Fruita Middle School, Julia and Reese Murphy. Beginning of Sunday Newspaper Delivery facilitated by Sveto Djokic for those interested.

#### June, 2018

Sundays: June 3<sup>rd</sup> Communion, VBS Meeting; 10<sup>th</sup> piano accompanist for worship service as well; 17<sup>th</sup> Father's Day and Anne played piano; 24<sup>th</sup> regular worship.

June 7<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup>; Anne attended the Rocky Mountain Conference of the UCC Annual Celebration/Meeting in La Foret, Black Forest, Colorado. Master of Ceremonies for the "Speak Outs." June 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>: On-site for Vacation Bible School. Taught the music in opening and closing sessions.

#### July, 2018

Sundays: July 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and the Vacation Bible School Children's Program, also played the piano for the service. (55 people in worship); 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, regular worship, 29<sup>th</sup> Anne off-site.

July 22<sup>nd</sup>: Eddie Clements passed away.

July 25<sup>th</sup>: Visited the Mesa County 4H Fair at the Fairgrounds in Grand Junction. Participating were the Yanez Family, the Addison Family, and Donya West's Family.

#### August, 2018

Sundays: August 5<sup>th</sup> Communion, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> regular worship.

August 1<sup>st</sup>: Sat with Lloyd Power during his first chemotherapy treatment.

August 4<sup>th</sup>: Attended the Farmer's Market in Mother's Park.

August 8<sup>th</sup>: Edith Ann Power passed away.

August 25<sup>th</sup>: Attended Memorial Service for Eddie Clements.

#### September, 2018

Sundays: September 2<sup>nd</sup> Communion, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> regular worship.

September 8<sup>th</sup>: Officiated for Memorial Service for Edith Ann Power. Gathering at Mesa Community Center.

September 29<sup>th</sup>: Attended Farmer's Market in Mother's Park.

September 29<sup>th</sup>: Officiated at the graveside service for Gene Scott, Clover Cemetery.

September 30<sup>th</sup>: Mesa Community Center, Color Sunday Dinner.

Adult/Teen Sunday school Class, Sunday Mornings 9:45AM The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancy through November 25<sup>th</sup>.

### October, 2018

Sundays: October 7<sup>th</sup> Communion, 14<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Appreciation Sunday ~ *Thank you!* 21<sup>st</sup> Anne off-site (Gifted and Talented State Conference in Loveland, presented); 28<sup>th</sup> regular worship. October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>: Anne attended Western Association Fall Meeting in Montrose. Delegate Cyndi Leinberger.

### November, 2018

Sundays: November 4<sup>th</sup> Communion, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, regular worship.  
November 17<sup>th</sup>: Anne on-site for Thanksgiving Dinner in Collbran.  
November 25<sup>th</sup>: After service luncheon and decorated the Christmas tree and sanctuary. Thanks to Brett Murphy for setting it up ahead of time.

### December, 2018

Advent Sundays: December 2<sup>nd</sup> Communion, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> regular worship.  
Adult/Teen Sunday school class using U.C.C. Advent Devotional.  
Families lighting the Advent Wreath candles were: Murphy/Cox, Klingler, Yanez, Hittle, and Jennings.  
December 24<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Lesson and Carols. Luminaries set out by Larry and Sue Bellotti. (64 attended)

Articles written for The Mustard Seed throughout the year as needed.

### Summary of Visitations and Calls by Pastor Anne: January 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

Anne's Visits to Assisted Living Homes and Rehabilitation Centers: 36  
Anne's Visits to Hospitals including Emergency Rooms: 15  
Anne's Visits to HopeWest Hospice, Grand Junction: 5  
Anne's Visits to Personal Homes: 21 plus "at large folks" 18 = 39  
Anne's Phone Calls Received and Initiated: 152 (Includes all calls for Memorial and Graveside Services Planning by Family.)

TOTAL VISITS: 95

TOTAL CALLS: 152

OVERALL TOTAL OF VISITS/CALLS: 247

Respectfully submitted and with love ~  
Pastor Anne Djokic

January 3, 2019

## **2018 ANNUAL MEETING REPORT – MODERATOR**

*The duties of the Moderator shall be to preside at all Church Council meetings and all business meetings of the congregation. The moderator shall be a member of the church. The Moderator shall be elected for a term of one year.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT 2019

*The Treasurer shall be a member of the church and will receive all monies of the church, and, upon request, give quarterly receipt for same. He/she shall deposit funds received in such depository as the Church Council shall order and shall disburse the same with the recommendation of the Board of Trustees and under the direction of the Church Council. He/she shall manage and be responsible for the investments under the direction of the Church Council. The Treasurer will maintain a review of the budget standings and notify the Trustees in the event of a looming budget shortfall.*

The Collbran Congregational Church, UCC, successfully met the bills, salary, and maintenance expenses for 2018.

As with 2017, additional expenses were incurred with larger repairs and maintenance projects at the church and parsonage. Maintaining this large structure is a great financial responsibility.

The sale of the parsonage at 803 Wagonwheel Ct. Collbran, brought \$205,000.00. After fees and expenses the balance of \$200,350.50 was transferred to the UCFunds investment account bringing the total, as of Dec. 31, 2018, to \$247,168.59. The United Church Funds are protected in savings to assure longevity of the life and mission of Collbran Congregational Church, United Church of Christ

The UC Funds Investment Account has done very well this year with the Stock Market as aggressive as it has been. We ended 2018 with the balance of \$247,168.59. Growth in the account is at \$11,929.81 for the year.

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 in check for everything from office and cleaning supplies, paper products, and crafts for the children. Please include your receipt with any purchase you make for the church and I will be able to apply your gift to your giving balance.

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.

### YEAR END ACCOUNT BALANCES

Grand Valley Bank Checking	\$ 722.06
Grand Valley Bank Savings	\$ 12,643.15
UC Funds (Investment Acct.)	\$247,168.59

### GRAND VALLEY BANK SAVINGS ACCOUNT BREAKDOWN

General Fund	\$ 0
Food Bank	\$ 189.90
Stewards	\$ 459.40
Memorial Fund	\$ 8604.00
Youth/VBS	\$ 607.85
Stewardship Funds	\$ 2580.00
Music	\$ 200.00
<u>Building Repairs</u>	<u>\$ 2.00</u>
<b>YEAR END BALANCE ON ACCT</b>	<b>\$12643.15</b>

Respectfully,

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## NOISY OFFERING LIST 2018

*NOISY OFFERING was started in our church in 2004 by Rev. Faye Gallegos, based on the scripture in Mark 12:41-44.*

*41, And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much.*

*42, And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which make a farthing.*

*43, And he called unto him his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:*

*44, For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.*

*The congregation is asked to bring the change received during money transactions the previous month to donate in the "NOISY OFFERING". Drop it noisily into the buckets of collection, be happy and loud, for, after all, we give what is left over.*

*Later in the service each week, we have the opportunity to "give as we can", as noted by Paul as he instructed the followers in Corinth:*

*1 Corinthians 15:2*

*Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.*

Jan 2018	Mesa County Habitat for Humanity	\$ 49.35
Feb 2018	Plateau Valley Robotics	\$ 83.80
Mar 2018	Young Life Camperships	\$ 46.82
Apr 2018	VBS Program	\$135.55
May 2018	Child and Migrant Workers	\$ 48.00
June 2018	PV Resource Center	\$ 66.85
July 2018	PV Cancer Fund Joyce Chicos	\$ 50.88
Aug 2018	Come Let's Dance	\$ 87.17
Sept 2018	Project Niger	\$ 54.85
Oct 2018	Collbran Lions Club	\$ 90.32
Nov 2018	Casa Milagra	\$ 75.63
Dec 2018	CWM Blanket Fund	\$238.58
<b>TOTAL MISSION GIVING FOR NOISY OFFERINGS – 2018</b>		<b>\$ 1030.80</b>

## MISSIONS OFFERING LIST 2018

OUR CHURCHES WIDER MISSION)	\$500.00
NEIGHBORS IN NEED	\$
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MISSION (Homeward Bound GJ)	\$ 77.00
CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING (Retired Pastor's Fund)	\$ 333.00
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING	\$
<b>TOTAL MISSION GIVING FOR OTHER MISSIONS – 2018</b>	<b>\$ 910.00</b>

## **2018 STEWARDSHIP ANNUAL REPORT**

An annual letter of appeal for financial support to maintain the church and community building and grounds was sent in mid-December and donations have already begun to be received.

Thank you/tax notes will be sent by Jan 31 for those donations.

Money received this year will likely be used for updating the kitchen or for bringing the bathrooms into handicapped compliance.

Thank you to those who responded to the appeal!

Your support makes a huge difference as we strive to finance needed upkeep.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cyndi Leinberger, Stewardship Chair



## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT – STEWARDS

*Steward responsibilities include the following: aid the pastor in the administration of the ordinances of the church and assist the pastor generally in the spiritual care of the congregation and shall, in the absence of the pastor or any stated supply, provide a temporary supply of the pulpit and conduct the services of worship. The Board of Stewards, in cooperation with the church clerk, shall make an annual survey in December of the church roll and submit recommendations regarding necessary revisions to the Church Council in January in order that the per capita report to the conference is kept current. The Board of Stewards shall consist of four persons.*

Duties include ringing the bell before service, bringing in the Light of Christ, usher duties (Greeting the congregants, offering them a bulletin, assist with seating if needed) taking the offering, and taking the Light of Christ back out into the world at end of service; setting up and serving Communion.

JANUARY – New members accepted into our fellowship: Jean Kees, Lloyd Power, Pastor Anne and Sveto Djokic, and their son Elliot Djokic.

FEBRUARY – Feb. 11, First day of Lent

New members accepted into our fellowship: Deane Cole, and her grandson Eli Jennings, and his wife Rachael Jennings.

MARCH – Lasagna Dinner to provide funds for Vacation Bible School and other Christian Education needs. (60 or more people attended)  
25<sup>th</sup> was Palm Sunday.

APRIL – 1 Easter. Easter Egg hunt was provided for the Sunday School children.

Hazel Jennings was baptized.

10<sup>th</sup> with Womens' Fellowship, Memorial Dinner was provided to honor Richard (Dick) Stites

MAY – 5 Yanez family embers were accepted as new members. (Miguel, Berenice, Ashley, Ailis, Miguel)

Dakota Hall was baptized.

Assisted Women's Fellowship in serving the Senior Tea. (70 +/- attendees)

JUNE – Father's Day recognition. About 8 fathers celebrated.

JULY – Vacation Bible School – assisted as needed. 50 children attended.

AUGUST – Regular worship duties as needed.

SEPTEMBER – Regular worship duties as needed.

OCTOBER – Pastor Anne rang the bell for all those church and community members who passed away in the last year. (Memorial Day celebration)

NOVEMBER – Turkey Dinner and Toffee Sales (assisted Women's Fellowship" in preparing, serving, and clean up. Sanctuary Advent preparation with soup dinner and Christmas Tree setup after church.

DECEMBER – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christmas Recital honoring Shirley Lyons

24<sup>th</sup> – Candle light Christmas Eve Service

Respectfully submitted ,

Jeannie Reeves

## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT: TRUSTEES

*Under the direction of the Church Council and, except as otherwise provided, the trustees shall have the care and custody of the property of the church as a Sacred Trust, whether real or personal, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws.*

*It is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to review and keep current the insurance on all the properties of the church. In the event of a looming budget shortfall, the Board of Trustees will work closely with the Treasurer and the Stewardship Chairperson in making recommendations to the Church Council.*

*The Board of Trustees shall each fall, before the Annual Meeting, participate in preparing a budget for the ensuing year. The Board of Trustees shall consist of four persons.*

Trustees attended to upkeep and repair issues with the parsonage, church and grounds issues throughout the year.

Many thanks to Sveto Djokic, Norm McCallister, Bret Murphy, Tom Cox, Tom Bieser, Rory White, and Larry Bellotti for their great help in completing tasks which included, in part, the following:

Removing and disposing of the defunct dishwashers from the church kitchen, disconnecting and moving the large stove so the flooring could be replaced, then moving it back. (The old linoleum was curling at the edges creating sanitation and safety threats.)

Leaks from water pipes in the kitchen were addressed as well as water leaking into the kitchen from the drainage in the west lawn area especially during heavy rains, winds, and snow/ice melt. Rory White assists with water leaks. Tom Bieser blows out the lawn sprinkling system before the first freeze.

Fill dirt was hauled to the west lawn which was graded from the building, replacing dirt that washed away over the years from sprinkling and eve water falling on it. The eve was secured once again, and engineering of the roof drainage system (eves) was questioned and plotted. Thanks to Delbert Koehn for a great job keeping snow and ice cleared from the walk ways during the winter, and the lawns mowed during the summer.

Sveto continued to treat sprouting tree growth against the church foundation and pruned hedges and bushes.

Norm McCallister restored the church sign with paint, new Plexiglas, and lighting and refreshed the paint on the entry porch.

Norm and Sveto installed a portable handicap ramp from the sanctuary to the overflow room.

The lawn sprinkling system requires continual upkeep and a water leak was repaired at the connection to the Town water in Mothers' Park. Thanks to Kent Hill for donating the dirt work, chain link fence access and repair.

Thanks to Bret Murphy for constructing the heavy un-wielding Christmas tree in the sanctuary at the beginning of Advent, and many other requests throughout the year.

Thanks to Becky Schowalter for the fine job of keeping the church clean and ready for worship and other events.

Many thanks to Julia Cox for her diligence in driving the tasks of the kitchen repairs, new flooring and the parsonage sale. Thank you, Julia!! Please remember the church and those who support it in your prayers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Price, Julia Cox, Sue Bellotti, Nancy Karlson

## 2018 ANNUAL MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

*The Director of Music shall oversee the music program of the Church and coordinate this effort with the pastor.*

2018 has been a good year for the church music program. We sorely miss Ann Anderson as a musician with her move to Grand Junction. It has left a large hole in the program and I miss her terribly. I have played for funeral services, when requested.

We have enjoyed having Julia and Reese Murphy sharing their 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. Our greatest hope is to have enough children in the community to completely fill the program this coming December.

Most Sincerely,

Sue Bellotti Music Director

## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT – WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP

*The president of Women's Fellowship, as she has been elected by the Women's Fellowship, shall also be a member of the Church Council and will represent the Women's Fellowship to the Church Council.*

This year was once again a successful one for Women’s Fellowship.

Health care packs were made and given to the Grand Junction Rescue Mission. Many “Get Well”, “Thinking of you”, and “Sympathy” cards were sent.

The food bank needs were met, thanks to the congregation and other members of the community. At present several people are using the food bank.

Our annual coat giveaway is a much needed and appreciate project for our community. Thanks to the Collbran Supply for providing space to display the coats. Thank you to those who have donated coats, scarves, hats, and gloves.

Hats and gloves were collected for the Plateau Valley Elementary School.

Our annual Women in Mission luncheon with Grand Junction Congregational Church ladies was cancelled.

The annual Senior Tea served approximately 70 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 quite successful. We served about 80 people. Thanks to hard work and generous donations we made approximately \$1500. Almond toffee was sold at the event. Thank you to Cindy Price and Sue Bellotti for making and donating candy. Also, thank you to Jeannie Reeves for encouraging donations.

Women’s Fellowship made a donation of \$2000.00 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 assisted with funeral dinners for Dick Stites and Forest Clifton. They also paid for food for the Maundy Thursday meal.

We collected socks, gloves, and hats that were delivered to the Care Center and to the VA hospital.

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

Women’s Fellowship provided snacks for Vacation Bible School in June. We provided veggies, fruits, crackers, meat and cheese, and 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.

Our president, Nancy Karlson, has been unable to be with us during part of the 2018 year. We have missed her leadership. We were able to fulfill our mission and complete many projects thanks to our church family.

Bank Balance: December 31, 2018 \$3732.91  
December 31, 2017 \$4158.28

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Karlson, President  
Clara Ward, Vice President  
Julia Cox, Secretary-Treasurer

## PASTORAL/ PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

*The task of the Pastoral/Parish Relations Committee shall be to provide an active, ongoing liaison between the pastor and the congregation. The committee shall meet at least quarterly to provide counsel and guidance to the pastor and shall be a means of sharing relevant concerns of the parish with the pastor. In most incidences, the committee will wish to meet with the pastor, but if deemed necessary, the committee may choose to meet without the pastor. In such event, the pastor shall be informed of the meeting prior to the meeting and be informed of any pertinent concerns or action taken, informed of any pertinent concerns or action taken, immediately following the meeting. The committee shall organize and conduct an evaluation of the pastor every three years.*

*This committee shall consist of four persons. Suggested Pastoral/Parish Relations Committee members include the Immediate Past Moderator, the Past-past Moderator, a lay person from the congregation chosen by the Council, and a lay person from the congregation chosen by the pastor.*

The Pastoral/Parish Relations Committee has not met over the past year. Two members of this committee are named each year by By-Laws. (Immediate Past Moderator and Past-Past Moderator), Missing are the lay persons chosen by council and by the pastor. These positions were vacated by lay people who no longer are available to serve.

Those interested in serving in this way, please contact Pastor Anne, Julia Cox, or Cindy Price.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Price, Past Moderator

## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT – NOMINATING COMMITTEE, JANUARY 27, 2018

*The Nominating Committee shall consist of the outgoing members of Council. They shall meet before the Annual Meeting to prepare a slate of officers for the following year and prepare a ballot nominating one person for each office to be filled at the Annual Meeting. These nominations shall be printed and available at the Church, not later than two Sundays prior to the Annual Meeting. This ballot shall be the official ballot at the Annual Meeting, provided that the right of a member to make a nomination from the floor shall always be recognized.*

### COLBRAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC 2018 ANNUAL MEETING NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

OFFICE	SERVED 2018	APPOINTMENT FOR 2019	NOMINATION for 2019
MODERATOR*	JULIA COX	1 OF 1 YEAR	CINDY PRICE
MODERATOR ELECT**	SYLVIA SPANGLER	1 OF 1 YEAR	JULIA COX
PAST MODERATOR***	CINDY PRICE	1 OF 1 YEAR	JULIA COX
CLERK	MONICA KLINGLER	1 OF 1 YEAR	MONICA KLINGLER
TREASURER	SUE BELLOTTI	1 OF 1 YEAR	SUE BELLOTTI
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION****	SUE BELLOTTI SHANNON MURPHY/JULIA COX	2 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS	SUE BELLOTTI JULIA COX
MUSIC DIRECTOR	SUE BELLOTTI	1 OF 1 YEAR	SUE BELLOTTI
STEWARDSHIP CHMN	CYNDI LEINBERGER	1 OF 1 YEAR	CYNDI LEINBERGER
WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP	NANCY KARLSON	PRESIDENT OF WF	NANCY KARLSON
<b>TRUSTEES****</b>			
4 TRUSTEES Alternating every 2 yrs.	SUE BELTTI 2/2 NANCY KARLSON 2/2 CINDY PRICE 1/2 JULIA COX 1/2	1 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS	SUE BELLOTTI NANCY KARLSON
<b>STEWARDS****</b>			
4 STEWARDS Alternating every 2 yrs.	EDITH ANN POWER 2/2 JEANNE KEES 2/2 JEANNIE REEVES 1/2 SYLVIA S 1/2	1 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS	Council Appoints to complete Edith Ann Power's Term  JEANNIE REEVES 1/2 SYLVIA SPANGLER 1/2
<b>COMMITTEES to be named by Council</b>			
PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS	SYLVIA SPANGLER – PM JULIA COX – PPM EDITH ANN POWER - COUNCIL REP PASTOR REP	1 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEAR 2 OF 2 YEARS 1 OF 2 YEARS	CINDY PRICE – PPM JULIA COX – PM _____ – PASTOR REP 1/2 _____ – COUNCIL REP 2/2
MEMORIAL COMMITTEE****	Nancy Karlson Cindy Price		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 of Council

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