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Church Council
January 16, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

Paul Allen	Alice Furman	Wayne Moss
Sharon Allen	Ann Gainey	Evelyn Anne Neal
Eldon Armstrong	Sandy Haynes	Rick Ruczko
Donald Boyer	Henry Johnson	Ron Saxton
Brad Bramlett	Vicki Johnson	Pat Slice
Jan Buck	Rick Lamar	Ken Spence
Jim Buck	Becky McCormack	Danny Stokes
Joe Clement	Jeff McCormack	Kolleen Ulmer
Marti Close	Cliff McElveen	Tuggie Veronee
Chris Divietro	Bill Moody	Skip Wilson
Jody Flowers	Connie Moody	

Visitors:

I. **Welcome/Devotion:** Becky McCormack opened the meeting with a devotion and ended the session with a prayer.

II. **Review of minutes** – November 16, 2013 Meeting

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

III. **Meeting Dates:** 2014 Meetings on 3rd Thursday of every other month
Next meeting – March 20, 2014 at 7:00 pm

IV. **Please send your reports to Vicki prior to the meeting if possible.**

V. Reports:

A. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman

General bills as usual
Loan Balance of Phase 111 - \$ 4,866,000

B. Finance Committee - Jeff McCormack

General Fund Receipts

December – We collected \$379,488.55. (This was \$218,083.55 over our budgeted requirements.)

January – For the first two Sundays we received \$71,599.79 which is \$2,723.79 over our budgeted needs.

Building Fund

Building Fund collections for the month of December were \$49,231.80.

Building Fund collections for the first two Sundays in January are \$8,503.02

Church Mortgage Balance (as of 12-31-2013)

Main Sanctuary \$4,919,000

Motion:

In the month of December we identified \$220,714.86 in funds from the working balance calculation that are available for other uses. This is excess money beyond what is needed to operate the church. We also have \$136,769.85 in unexpended funds from last year’s budget. This gives us a total of \$357,484.71 in funds available to spend. The Finance Committee offers the following recommendations for expending those funds:

\$254,000	Amick’s Ferry Driveway Entrance
\$ 35,000	Mission Tithe
\$ 7,500	Sound System Upgrades (Side fill speakers)
\$ 15,000	Marriage Enrichment Weekend
\$ 1,500	Pre-School Director Laptop
\$ 15,000	Duplicator / Cutter (Used for bulletins)
\$ 25,000	Capital Campaign Seed Money
<u>\$4,484.71</u>	Balance held over in General Fund for additional buffer
\$357,484.71	Total

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

C. Board of Trustees – Don Boyer

In December new carpet was installed in the Parsonage 3 bedrooms and FROG.

In January the Trustees installed wood flooring in the study in the Parsonage. The Study was also painted.

In December the Memorial Garden (Columbarium) was completed and Jody also held a dedication to the Memorial Garden in December.

D. Operations Pastor – Becky McCormack for Rick Faulkner

Looking back at the final two months of 2013, Chapin UMC finished strong and overall, this past year was a great one for our church. During the last 2 months of the year, there were a number of exciting things to take place, among them were:

1. The entire Christmas Season was incredible, with the sermon series “Presence” being kicked off with our annual Christmas Cantata. On Christmas Eve, we had 3 services, a kids worship, and more than 2,000 people were in attendance at CUMC!
2. Financially, we had our best year ever, finishing the year at more than \$391,000 over and above our general fund budget! Once again, an amazing testimony to the faithfulness and generosity of our church family.

3. Worked with the Trustees and the Worship team to ensure that the campus looked great for the Christmas Season. Special thanks to Sharon Veronee, Don Boyer and Chuck Farley, along with many others for their help in creating a festive look!
4. Wrote and prepared a video monologue for Christmas Eve highlighting some of the ways in which CUMC extended Christ' "Presence" throughout our community in service to others.
5. Along with the Pre School Board of Directors, reviewed resumes, interviewed candidates and ended hiring Mary Catherine Horne as our new Director. Mary Catherine is a superb fit for our growing Pre School.

Looking ahead to the next several months:

1. Vision Day is Sunday, January 5th, we are planning on that day being a great kickoff to 2015. Besides a full morning of worship, there will also be a Night of Prayer at 630pm.
2. Following this Thursday's Church Council Meeting, will begin the process of assembling a Building Team to work alongside the Capital Campaign Team for future expansion of our campus.
3. Sunday, January 26th there will be a "Come and See" meeting hosted by Pastor Jody, and open to the congregation, with the purpose of clarifying the future vision of possible Campus Extensions and the Capital Campaign.
4. Believe it or not, Easter is only 4 months away, and so planning for our Community Wide Easter Eggstravaganza has begun. Along with the Evangelism Team led by Ken and Dee Dee Simmons, this year will be bigger and better than ever.

E. Missions – Jerry Rye – No Report

F. Minister of Congregational Care – Paul Allen

Deaths since November 2013 connected to our church family
(We had 16 deaths connected with our church family)

1. Don Noller – Drew Noller's Father
2. Vi Pebley – Bill Pebley's Wife
3. Harris Collins – Jaime Teraoka's Father
4. Louise Shealy – Wayne Shealy's Grandmother
5. Dick Lamar – Rick Lamar's Father
6. Pete McCoy – Alton McCoy's Brother
7. Bill House – Sandy House's Husband
8. Glen "Scotty" Keeney – Terri Cosby's Father
9. Anthony DeLucia – Sonya Hancock's Father
10. Amanda Seymore – Grace Seymore's Step-daughter
11. Jim French – Barbara French's Husband
12. Frances Houser – Joe Houser's Mother
13. Coliene Arthur – Vicki Johnson's Aunt
14. Betty Frye – Sandy Garris's Mother
15. Janice Cook – Sharon Veronee's Sister
16. Margaret Amey – Marian Widner's Sister

Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers

1. Jean Jonte – Kidney
2. Terry Lackey - Cancer
3. Betty McCullough – Cancer
4. Monty DeLoach – Cancer
5. Tom Gault – Cancer
6. Baby Leo Bugenske
7. Miss Frances Chitty – Back Fracture

“The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. They will be making their rounds this coming Sunday sharing not only with our church family but with the community. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated.

CUMC’s Free Medical Clinic is now open and operating. Clinic is open the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Current plans are to continue to open the clinic every other week. If you would like to know more or participate I would ask that you contact Ken Magee, one of the clinic’s point persons. We had a soft start but we are ready for patients now. Please talk it up and make folks aware.

The Fourth Sunday Community Worship Services will be held at Providence AME Sunday November 26th @ 6:00 pm. Rev. Bill Mitchell will be preaching.

Please continue to pray for our church families. Issues of life affect us and those in our families we love and hold dear. Christians are not immune from the attacks of Satan. We have to deal with the issues of Finances, Health, Relationships, Addictions, Hurts, Hang-ups, & Habits also.

G. SPRC – Rick Lamar – No Report

H. Lay Leader – Sharon Allen

2013 went out with a bang of Lay Servant Ministry! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you all for an outstanding year of service!

Many worked hard to help make OCC such a huge success! Thanks to all who helped in so many ways! We ended up with over 1600 filled shoeboxes – imagine all those children who will receive the Gospel of Jesus Christ in their own heart language. Keep praying for those children and their shoeboxes as the deliveries are still going on around the world and will be for months to come.

Speaking of OCC shoebox deliveries, Samaritan’s Purse is offering a Youth Distribution Trip for 16-20 year olds. The distribution will be in Georgetown, Guyana. If you know of any youth in that age group who may be interested in going on the trip – I have information available. The trip is in July with application deadline in March. The exact cost has not been determined but it is somewhere between \$2,200 and \$3,000. A once in a lifetime opportunity - imagine the thrill of handing out OCC shoeboxes and seeing the joy on each child’s face, knowing you are delivering the Good News of Jesus to one of God’s children. I wish I could go!

The end of 2013 also saw families taking part in the Advent Candle Lighting at the 9 a.m. services. We had a wide cross section of CUMC Families and we appreciate their participation. The Allen Family was

thrilled to participate on Christmas Eve at the 7:30 p.m. Service. We were all together for the first time in many years and Mom Allen was so proud!

As we step into 2014, Lay Servant Ministry opportunities are everywhere. Want to get “plugged in” or know someone who does? See me or Chris DiVietro and find your “passion spot”.

Looking forward to working with all our Lay Servant Ministers in 2014 to grow God’s Kingdom through CUMC! May we all follow Jesus’ example and serve others daily. Be His hands and feet and show all the love of Jesus with great joy and enthusiasm!

I. Children’s Ministry – Sally Baker

- Kids Worship: Filled 100+ bags with toiletries. (We lost count)
- 16 Care Bags were delivered to CUMC Shut-ins. The other bags were given to the Lowman Home to distribute to those in need.
- Hosted the 3:00 Kids Worship Christmas Eve service for 43 kids and 6 adults.
- Fam the Flame Christmas Caroling: 80 people caroled to CUMC shut-ins, Generations, and Lowman Home and gave them the gift bags with toiletries and candy filled by our Kids Worshipers.
- Gifted Kid Min designed Christmas cards with gift cards to all 245 Children’s Ministry Servant Ministers.
- Held a Birthday Party for Jesus and gave Christmas gifts to all children – an outreach explaining the real meaning of Christmas.
- All the children illustrated and presented a book to Pastor Jody for Christmas.
- Provided Nursery and Child Care for 3 Christmas Eve services serving 40 children total with 16 helpers.
- Met with Parent Advisory Council and set VBS dates for June 23 – 27. This year’s theme is “Wilderness”. The kids will learn about Moses and the Israelites journey in the desert.
- Put plans in place for a Valentine-themed Fam the Flame Game Night, February 7 @ 6:30.

PRESCHOOL

- Hosted the Preschool Christmas Program/Open House. Over 130 parents, relatives, and guests attended. Ed Gohn played Santa.
- Hosted Preschool Staff Christmas Luncheon.
- Interviewed and hired Mary Catherine Horne as our new CUMC Preschool Director
- Hired Liz DiVietro to replace Mary Catherine Horne as lead teacher for the 3 yr. class

FUTURE PLANS

- Continue Working with Parent Advisory Council to take Children’s Ministry to the next level.
- Recruit VBS team.
- Work on children’s activities for “Sharing Your Faith” day in March

J. Youth Ministry – Tim Walker –No Report

K. Contemporary Worship – Joe Clement

Highlights from the last three months:

1. List of new songs successfully introduced:
'God with Us' – All Sons & Daughters
'Love Goes On' – Hillsong Young & Free
'All Creation Sing' (Christmas) – Steve Fee
'Bless Your Name' – Eddie Kirkland
'Relentless' – Hillsong United
2. Completed the media elements for the Christmas series 'Presence' which included a bumper video, main slides, and backgrounds.
3. We have received a new band member Rhett Casey to the fusion team who will more than likely be playing in fusion and Sunday morning.
4. We completed a huge Christmas video project featuring our own Rick Faulkner and highlighting ALL of the wonderful services our Church provides to this community over the holiday season.
5. We completed the media elements for the new year series 'Dreamers' which includes a bumper video, main slides, and backgrounds.
6. We have officially added William Baker to our staff as a creative arts intern who will be performing various media tasks during the week.

Looking Ahead:

1. We will be going to Big Chill, the fusion high school retreat which will be a great time for us to introduce many new songs including:
'The Rock won't Move' – Vertical Church Band
'Close' – Hillsong Young & Free
'Grace So Glorious' – Elevation Worship
2. We begin recording the church's first EP during the first week of February. This CD/EP, is intended to be used as an outreach and evangelism tool during our Easter weekend 2014. All the elements will include recording, album artwork, mastering, and reproduction.
I will continue to develop and mentor the Fusion worship team.

L. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVietro

In Review

- Christmas Eve went really well and our teams ran smoothly
- We are in the midst of winter small group registrations. We're having lots of new names register again for Connection Group and even though no Community Groups officially took registrations, I've been placing a few folks intentionally.
- I had a small group leaders training on Saturday with 26 in attendance.
- We had over eleven families at Make the Connection this past month.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday mornings
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests and we continue to see new members join and begin serving

Looking Ahead

- Winter small groups will start the week of January 26th
- Some of our small groups are doing a cottage renovation with Epworth Children's Home

- I'll have another First Connection training session in March before Easter
- I'll be hosting a Sunday school teacher training on Sunday February 23rd

M. Others – Albert Cox

Albert introduced the organization with Albert and Margie Cox as coordinators of the SALT ministry and Paul Allen representative of the staff with several other committee members. Harry Crosby spoke on Feb. 5th about long term care insurance. The March activity will be a trip to the "Anderson Follies" on the 15th. The program for April 2nd will be presented by Mrs. Mona Lisa Botts on dealing with medical bills etc. that are hard to understand. May is a possible two day trip to "Epworth By The Sea" in Georgia. June 11th is lunch here with Pastor Jody speaking and August is the Golden Agers luncheon. More information later.

V. Old Business –

A motion was brought before the Finance Committee for consideration. Pastor Jody received a request to make a one-time gift to the District to help churches that could not pay all their apportionments. (This request is being made of other Congregations in our District as well.) Pastor Jody met with Pastor Rick and suggested a one-time gift of \$2,500 for the District to be sued to pay for apportionments. The Finance Committee was informed of this and voted via e-mail to bring the following motion to the Church Council for consideration:

The Finance Committee has identified \$20,942.22 in excess of funds needed to operate the Church during the month of November. We respectfully request that we make a one-time gift to the District of \$2,500. In addition to this, we also need to put in an additional \$7,577 into Capital Expenditures to fully fund that line item, which is required by policy. This would leave \$10,865.22 that we would carry over into the year's end balance.

VI. New Business – None Reported

VII. Pastor's Report

1. Vision Day Recap

The greatest **sin** of the church today is the **sin of no mission**. –Len Sweet

Chapin UMC exists to help people **connect** with the saving love of Jesus and **grow** in full devotion to Him.

Night of Prayer
January 5 @ 6:30PM

2. Next Steps

Sharing Your Faith
Saturday, March 8 (Adrian Despres)

"I Am A Church Member"
September 7-October 19

Seven Days of Sharing
September 14-20

Campus Extension Plan
2015 / 2017 / 2019

Come and See
January 26 @ 4:00PM

Capital Campaign
April 27-May 18

3. Approval of Building Team

- Don Boyer
- Andy Aun
- Natalie McCoy
- Mac Estridge
- Caroline Fogle
- Ron Weathers
- John Farley
- Todd Hughes
- Rick Faulkner

**Next Church Council Meeting will be held
March 20th at 7:00 pm**

Respectfully submitted by
Vicki Johnson



Church Council
March 20, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

Paul Allen	Chris DiVietro	Ken Spence
Sharon Allen	Rick Faulkner	Margaret Spence
Sally Baker	Alice Furman	Kolleen Ulmer
Donald Boyer	Sandy Haynes	Sharon Veronee
Brad Bramlett	Rick Lamar	Tuggie Veronee
Jan Buck	Becky McCormack	Tim Walker
Jim Buck	Jeff McCormack	
Joe Clement	Cliff McElveen	
Marti Close	Jerry Neely	
Carl Connelly	Rick Ruczko	
Albert Cox	Pat Slice	

Visitors:

Emily Wheaton

I. Welcome/Devotion: Becky McCormack

II. Review of minutes – January 16, 2014 Meeting

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

III. Reports:

A. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman

General bills as usual
Loan Balance of Phase 111 - \$ 4,844,000

B. Finance Committee - Jeff McCormack

General Fund Receipts

January – We collected \$140,139.41. (This was \$2,387.41 over our budgeted requirements.)
February – We collected \$151,242.07. (This was \$13,490.07 over our budgeted requirements.)
March –First two Sundays we received \$80,032.43 which is \$11,156.43 over our budgeted needs.

Building Fund

Building Fund collections for the month of January were \$12,583.02.
Building Fund collections for the month of February were \$14,445.00.
Building Fund collections for the first two Sundays in March are \$6,528.00

Church Mortgage Balance (as of 2-28-2014)

Main Sanctuary \$4,844,000

Motions:

- 1) In the month of January we identified \$3,476.26 in funds from the working balance calculation that are available for other uses. This is excess money beyond what is needed to operate the church. During the last Church Council meeting the Finance Committee was asked to examine the possibility of paying for the Confirmation Retreat. (Cost is \$75.00 per person) The Finance Committee offers the following recommendations for expending those funds:
 - a. The Committee recommends that the Church pay up to \$50.00 per student and \$75.00 for each staff member attending the retreat. Total expenditure would be \$1650.00.
 - b. The Committee recommended applying the balance of excess funds (\$1,826.26) to the Mortgage balance.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

- 2) In the Month of February we identified \$14,652.00 in excess funds available for other uses. The Committee received a request from Pastor Jody to use up to \$10,000 of those funds for an Evangelism Initiative. The Church will offer 500 envelopes with \$20 each to the Congregation. The money is to be used to carry someone to lunch in order to share God’s plan of salvation with a person who has not accepted Jesus Christ as their savior. The envelopes will contain instructions on how to share your faith, and ask for the name of the person who was taken to lunch. This is patterned after a similar plan used by Elevation Church in Charlotte, N.C. Funds not used in the Evangelism Initiative will be transferred to the Capital Campaign.
 - a. The Committee recommends moving the balance of the funds (\$4,652.00) to the Capital Campaign fund. As a reminder, funds not expended by the Capital Campaign Committee will be moved to the Building fund.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

C. Board of Trustees – Don Boyer

- Chapin Mayor Skip Wilson attended the February 25th Trustees Meeting to report on new building and new road planning Chapin.
- The Trustees have been working with Rick and Hybrid Engineering on the plans for the Amicks Ferry Access driveway, we agreed on a plan for the location of an asphalt road. The start date and final plans are still pending.
- The Trustees hired David Takach to do update (remove and replace shrubs and plants and add new mulch) the landscaping between the Fusion Center and the Fellowship Hall. This work was completed last week.

- The air conditioning system for the administrative offices was replaced by a new 7 ½ ton system by Carolina Comfort.
- The Trustees are planning for their annual Church yard project for Saturday April 5th 8:00 to 12:00. We will be adding new mulch to the islands in the parking lot etc.

D. Missions – Jerry Rye – No Report

E. Minister of Congregational Care – Paul Allen

- Deaths since January 2014 connected to our church family
(We had 10 deaths connected with our church family)
 1. Tommy Downs – Carolyn Robbin’s Brother
 2. Bette McKinnon – Billy McKinnon’s Wife
 3. Walter DuRant – Donnie DuRant’s Father
 4. Matt Kennell – Liz Kennell’s Grandfather
 5. Lynette Bailey Postell – John Bailey’s Sister
 6. Gretchen Widner – George & Marian Widner’s Daughter
 7. Tom Ackerman – Becky Horton’s Father
 8. Ellen Serino – Ken Blank’s Aunt
 9. Catherine Johnson – Terry Stoke’s Mother
 10. Betty Taylor – Andrea Slice’s Mother
- Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
 1. Betty McCullough – Cancer
 2. Monty DeLoach – Cancer
 3. Tom Gault – Cancer
 4. Baby Leo Bugenske
 5. Jennifer Siegfried - Cancer
 6. Tim Assemany - Cancer

“The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated.

CUMC’s Free Medical Clinic is now open and operating. Clinic is open the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. The number of patients continue to increase. Please continue to talk it up and make folks aware.

The Fourth Sunday Community Worship Service will be held this Sunday, March 23, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church @ 6:00 with Pastor Jody preaching.

The commissioned Stephen Ministers of CUMC have begun to take on some of the responsibilities of hospital visitation. They are representing Chapin Methodist for some surgeries and for hospital visitation three days a week. Carol Weathers is coordinating this effort. I am overseeing this ministry and am actively involved and am still doing hospital visits two days a week and attending surgeries where we feel my presence is more suited. Jody will make visits where his presence is more suited or needed. Sometimes as you know we both go. It depends on the situation. We will learn and adjust as

we move forward. Due to our size we are making adjustments.

We are excited about starting a new ministry called GriefShare at some point in the near future. It is a 13 week Lay-Driven ministry for grieving people. It is video guided by leading experts, has a workbook to help guide group discussion and is led by lay people who have dealt with grief first hand. Tony and Maria Timmerman have agreed to lead this new ministry. As many of you know they lost their son Justin two years ago in May. He was predeceased by his twin brother. Materials have been ordered. We will look over them and decide when we think is the right time for our first class. This ministry has been around for a while and we have actually sent some of our people to other churches that have offered it. We have just been waiting on right leaders. We now have them.

Please continue to pray for our church families. Issues of life affect us and those in our families we love and hold dear. Christians are not immune from the attacks of Satan. We have to deal with the issues of Finances, Health, Relationships, Addictions, Hurts, Hang-ups, & Habits also.

F. SPRC – Rick Lamar

SPRC met on 2/10/14. Our new committee members were welcomed. We went over the function of the Staff Pastor Parish Committee. Our purpose is to oversee the staffing needs of the church as well as the needs of the staff.

Each committee member is paired with a staff person to be their partner for this year. We then support the staff with any needs or concerns they have. This includes prayer and praise. We are their advocate as well as their prompter. Presently, all is well with our staff.

Susie Elgin, an assistant with the children's ministry, did resign for a full time position. Her position has been filled with the hiring of Jessica Hixson.

I am pleased to say there are no other concerns or issues to discuss.

Please note that should you have questions or issues concerning our staff, you can contact me, Rick Faulkner or any member of SPRC.

There will be a list of SPRC committee and their staff partners on the table.

G. Lay Leader – Sharon Allen

Opportunities to serve since we last met included Mission Trips, a Witnessing Seminar with Tailgating Lunch and many other areas.

One Mission team went to John's Island, SC and worked with Rural Missions. It turned out to be the wettest and coldest Mission week we have ever been on but God blessed us with three inside jobs that kept most of us dry and warm. One group worked on a fourth site and had to work without heat but they were tough. Our outside work – pouring concrete in a block foundation and leveling it started on Monday morning before the rain and cold set in. Praise God the concrete set up before it started to rain. On Thursday a group returned to that site and put down the sub-floor and had it ready for inspection on Friday. All inside jobs reached the level of completion that we were hoping for. We worked with some awesome people – two single ladies and one family consisting of a single Mom and her two sons. All were so appreciative of the work that was completed. Due to the weather, one crew of cooks went home early and the second crew did not make the trip. They did leave us food and the

men were awesome taking on cooking chores. We ladies on the crew help too. Why not think about going on a Mission Trip? It is an awesome way to serve others and you will be blessed as you serve.

CUMC Lay Servant Ministers volunteered to help out at the Witnessing Seminar and Tailgating Lunch. They aided in set up, music, sound/video, Children's ministry, and take down. It was a great day of learning, fun, fellowship and food. Children through seniors enjoyed the day. Thanks to this day we should all be better equipped to "Shut Up and Fish".

Lay Servant Ministers continue to serve daily in the office and in other areas around the church. Weekly they serve with traffic, greeting, direction, teaching, children's ministry, youth ministry, adult ministry, senior ministry, choir, orchestra, hand bells, praise team, audio/video/sound and many other ways. Thanks for serving and keep up the good work!

H. Children's Ministry – Sally Baker

- Sally & Erwin Baker and Steve & Kim Houck traveled to Orlando, Florida to attend Children's Pastor's Conference (CPC) in January. They were able to attend classes and to resource for CUMC's Children's Ministry.
- The Parent Advisory Council met to discuss 2014 goals and programming. Now that we have a Preschool Director, we are focusing not only on staffing and programming but also on resourcing parents to be the primary faith instillers in their children.
- Kids Min hosted a Fam the Flame Game Night on February 7. About 125 people attended. Among those attending were the girls from Epworth Children's Home. A great time was had by all.
- After interviewing 5 very qualified applicants, Jessica Hixson was offered the job of Children's Ministry Assistant. She began work on March 1.
- Though our curriculum in Kids Worship is outstanding, we decided the kids were getting too used to it, so we are taking a break from Johnny Rogers and now doing Hillsong Kids BIG. This curriculum will focus on "God Loves You"; "Jesus Lives"; and "I Am Not Afraid", taking kids from the basics of God's love and sacrifice to sharing the BIG news with others. We had several training sessions on the new material and will begin BIG this week.
- Child Care and programming was provided for the "Come and See" meetings and for the Adrian Despres "Sharing Your Faith" event.
- Registration has begun for two summer events this year:
VBS - Wilderness: Moses and the Israelites journey through the desert: June 23 – 27 from 9:00 – Noon
Fine Arts Camp: July 21-25, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Future Plans

- Work will continue for the Eggstravaganza, a Fam the Flame Movie Night, the Splashtacular, VBS, Fine Arts Camp, Adopt-a-Grandchild, and a Resource Rodeo for parents.
- Recruiting will continue for child care helpers for all special events related to the Capitol Campaign and Easter.

I. Youth Ministry – Tim Walker

Senior High Retreat

We took 110 senior high, college students and adults to Sevierville, TN for our 5th Annual Sr. High Retreat. That's a 36% increase than last year.

Confirmation

We just finished our 2014 Confirmation season. We had 26 students that were confirmed last Sunday.

BIG EVENTS COMING UP...

IGNITE Summer Camp

We have 103 signed up so far for IGNITE Summer Camp. We would love to take 200 this year. That's a big goal, but is definitely attainable. If you are interested in sponsoring a student to go to IGNITE, please let me or Miss Alice know or put check in offering plate with IGNITE Scholarship on memo line. We will turn no one away which means we need some help with that.

Mission Trips

We also have several mission trips planned for the summer. I will be leading one to Cabo, Mexico but please pray for all the leaders leading these trips this summer.

Mentorship Ministry

You heard Jerry speak up about the mentorship ministry a while back but we have since slowed down and are taking steps in the right direction. We will be launching this ministry in September 2014. We already have 47 potential mentors but are still in need of more. We will be having a Vision Casting for the Mentor Ministry on Saturday evening May 3.

J. Contemporary Worship – Joe Clement

Highlights from the past two months:

1. We have finalized the cd cover and had the cd mastered
2. We've finalized the copyrights for all cover songs.
3. We have successfully integrated a new guitar player into the fusion worship team as well as auditioned two more female vocalists.
4. We have completed all graphic elements for the 'Shut Up and Fish' series.
5. We have completed all the graphic elements for our new capital campaign.
6. We have completed the bumper video and the main slides for our Easter series 'Why.'
7. We've also successfully introduced a number of new songs including 'Rejoice' by Dustin Kensrue and 'Grace so Glorious' by Elevation Worship.

Things to look forward to:

1. We begin filming our Easter intro vide
2. We will officially release our worship album 'Crown You with Glory.'
3. We will begin filming and branding the new marriage conference.
4. We will be introducing numerous amounts of new songs in the next few months.

K. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVietro

In Review

- We have 349 individuals across 28 small groups.
- Our small groups and SS completed an incredible renovation at Epworth Cottage.
- I had Sunday school training in February that was well-attended. We discussed some potential tweaks we'll be making in the future to make sure we teach well and love well.
- I had training for my First Connection folks on March 16th where we discussed fun facts of trivia to help us share the Gospel like Adrian Despres suggested.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday mornings.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests and we continue to see new members join and begin serving.

Looking Ahead

- We are in the planning stages for Easter
- We are in the planning stages for the Eggstravaganza
- We've got 4 small group training sessions lined up for the summer time
- We're lining up our small groups and Sunday schools for the "I Am A Church Member" series in the Fall
- I continue to meet with and recruit prospective small group leaders
- We're planning a marriage retreat in the beginning of August
- We're planning a spiritual gifts/ministry celebration event in August

L. Others

Albert Cox - SALT

The senior adult leadership team met Tuesday, March 11 at 3:00 at the church. The program for April 2nd will be led by Monalisa Botts who will present concerns about medical bills or other bills and how to resolve disagreements. Lunch will be served by the restaurant "Frayed Knot". The menu will be pork loin, potato salad and spring salad. Cost will be \$5.00 per person. Sign up in Sunday School rooms or call Sally Walker at 414-0101.

Future events will be June 11th with Pastor Jody. Lunch will be salad and Stuffed potatoes with fruit for dessert. The "Golden Agers" luncheon will be Aug. 6th. Those who are 75 or older will be our guest. Lunch will be served by The Marjorie Derrick Circle. The program will be a wonderful presentation of mountain music by Michael Shull. He plays many instruments and we look forward to hearing him.

The October meeting will be presented by the Rite Aid Pharmacy staff on the importance of vaccinations. They will also be prepared to have vaccinations available if you would care to participate at that time.

Emily Wheaton -

➤ **Proposed Fundraiser for Haiti Missions Team –**

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night Tuesday, April 8, 2014 5-8pm

Our team “takes over” the Ballentine Chick-fil-A to share what we are doing and encourage people to donate. When people mention Hearts for Haiti at the counter or drive thru, the sale is flagged for our team. We then receive portion of the proceeds of sales made between 5-8pm. We are also able to be outside of the doors with buckets for donations. CFA will then print a check directly to CUMC This even will be promoted via word of mouth, flyers/stickers, social media, and (if permitted) the bulletin.

➤ **Fatz Café Pancake Breakfast Saturday May 10, 2014 8-10:30am**

This is the same even that I had received approval for last year but Fatz was not able to accommodate us prior to our trip. For this event, our team sells tickets to the pancake breakfast for \$7 each. Breakfast includes a short stack of pancakes, sausage, fruit, and unlimited beverage of choice. We then become the staff of the restaurant for that morning – greeting and waiting on tables. The Haiti mission team will for receive \$4 from each ticket as well as any tips given on that day. Our goal is 500 tickets. If we don’t reach that goal, we will promote at Fatz’s entrance to encourage “walk-in” traffic (of which we also receive the proceeds). Promotion would be the same as above and would include the sale of tickets by our team members. We are not asking to set up a table, each person will be responsible for personally asking / selling their tickets.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

Sharon Allen –

The SC UM Conference is conducting the “Million Book Effort” which is attempting to collect 1 million new, age-appropriate books for pre-school and elementary school children by June 3rd, 2014 (Tuesday of the Annual Conference). Bishop Holston has requested that each UM church in SC collect/provide 1000 books. With the upcoming Capital Campaign, Chapin UMC is hesitant to request too much more from the congregation. In order to assist in funding for these books, Sharon made a motion that 50% of the funds collected from the 2014 Garage Sale be put toward the purchase of the books this one time only, rather than it going toward the Building Fund. The other 50% of the Garage Sale funds would still be put toward the UMW Missions Fund. Motion made and seconded. After a short discussion, a vote was called and motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

Carl Connelley -

Leave a Legacy through Endowment

Chapin UMC of Chapin, SC Permanent Endowment Fund

See attached correspondence from the South Carolina United Methodist Foundation

V. Old Business –

VII. Pastor's Report – Becky McCormack

Saturday, March 8 was an amazing day in the life of this church...and I believe we will look back on March 8 as a day that led to the transformation of many, many lives for Jesus! Adrian Despres, the USC Gamecock Football Team Chaplain, did an outstanding job teaching us how to share our faith. (Both of his sessions will be up on our website soon!) Between the morning and afternoon sessions, we tailgated out in the parking lot...and it was truly a special, special sight to see people from all ages and stages of life – people from different worship services, different SS classes, different small groups – all together and enjoying one another. It was just great!

The very next day, Sunday, March 9, we began our current sermon series, *Shut Up and Fish*. The series continues this week, as we take some of what Adrian shared (and some additional material) and get really practical – it's going to be fantastic! And next week, March 30, when we conclude the series...I'm just telling you, it's going to be **historical!** I'm not joking. And I CANNOT WAIT! Please don't miss the next two weeks...**and** both weeks are great opportunities to bring an unconnected friend with you.

Easter is rapidly approaching, and we're so excited! Again, it's **prime time** to invite folks...they're waiting and expecting you to do it, so don't disappoint them. Here's a quick look at the upcoming events:

- Friday, April 18, our Good Friday Service, CUMC Sanctuary, 6pm with Sharon Allen preaching.
- Saturday, April 19, our Easter Eggstravaganza, here on the CUMC Campus from 9a-11a. (Egg hunts, prizes, food, fun for everyone!)
- Sunday, April 20, our Sunrise Service, CUMC front parking lot, at 7am with Paul Allen preaching. (BYOC – bring your own chair; biscuit breakfast to follow.)
- Sunday, April 20, our Easter Sunday worship celebrations (traditional at 9am in the sanctuary; contemporary at 9 am in the fusion center, and at 11:15 am in the sanctuary and fusion center).

If you are someone who normally worships at 11:15, we're asking again this year that you prayerfully consider worshipping at 9am in the FC or at 11:15 in the FC – this is the best way for us to handle the extremely large crowds that show up on Easter. Also, if you normally worship at 9am in the sanctuary (traditional service), but you enjoy an occasional contemporary service, you could help open up space at the 9am traditional service (which will be extremely crowded as well) by worshipping in the FC at 9am or 11:15 am. Thanks so much.

Please know what a great privilege it is to serve alongside you as we help unconnected people connect with the love of Jesus and grow together in full devotion to Him, while sharing His love with each other and the world. This is a privilege for which Michelle, Andrew, and I praise God for and thank our Bishop/DS/ and you (this church) for. We love you all.

Jody Flowers
Lead Pastor

M. Operations Pastor – Rick Faulkner

The first quarter at Chapin UMC has been incredible! Worship attendance is solid, as are participation in Sunday School and Small Groups. There is great momentum as we head into spring. With 2 “come and see” meetings and a Church Conference, the congregation voted resoundingly to move ahead with a capital campaign. The District Board of Location and Building approved that request as well. Adrian Despres as visited us twice in the first quarter, and our people are excited and becoming equipped to share their faith with friends and family who do not know Christ. We have much to look forward to as we forge ahead into spring 2014!

1. Led Staff through a planning day that lasted ½ day. Calendared ministry events and activities for first half of 2014.
2. Began assembling teams for Easter 2014.
3. Building Team is in place and meeting with Garvin Design Group (Architects) in preparation for next phase of campus development
4. Worked with Pre School Board and Director of Children’s Ministry to interview and assess potential Pre School Directors – Mary Catherine Horne was selected.
5. Working with Trustees on various campus beautification projects in anticipation of Easter 2014.
6. In process of applying for permits to move forward with Amick’s Ferry Driveway entrance.
7. Continue to work with Audiovisual Team on Sunday morning to ensure a smooth worship production in all 3 services. Great teams in place make each week run like clockwork.
8. Continue to lead couples small group and men’s small group.

Looking ahead to the next several months:

1. Once Capital Campaign is completed, Building Team will work with Architects to finalize design development and begin working with financial institutions for possible construction loans.
2. Once permits for driveway and road improvements are issued, will work with Hybrid Engineers to solicit bids for construction.
3. Easter weekend is April 19-20 – Easter Eggstravaganza and Easter Sunday is going to be huge this year!

VI. New Business – Rick Faulkner

A Charge conference for Chapin United Methodist Church has been called for Thursday, April 3rd, 2014 at 7:00 pm in Room 206 for the purpose of discussing and voting on the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the Charge Conference of Chapin United Methodist Church authorizes a Capital Campaign from April 27, 2014 – May 18, 2017. This Capital Campaign will include receiving funds and pledges over a three (3) year period for the following purposes:

1. To reduce and/or eliminate our existing mortgage debt in order to negotiate with banking institutions for the purpose of expanding our facilities (Adult Education/Children Education/Gathering Space)
2. To set aside ten percent (10%) of Capital Campaign funds and pledges received, with a cap at \$300,000, for the purpose of extending our campus (Satellite Extension)

Next Church Council Meeting will be held
MAY ~~March~~ 8th at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Vicki Johnson



**Charge Conference
April 3, 2014 – 7:00 pm**

CUMC Council Members in Attendance:

Paul Allen	Rick Faulkner	Ron Saxton
Sharon Allen	Jody Flowers	Pat Slice
Sally Baker	Alice Furman	Danny Stokes
Jan Buck	Vicki Johnson	Terry Stokes
Jim Buck	Shirley Mabin	Sharon Veronee
Joe Clement	Becky McCormack	Tim Walker
Marti Close	Jeff McCormack	
Chris DiVietro	Evelyn A Neal	

Visitors:

I. **Welcome/Devotion:** Jody Flowers called the charge conference to order.

II. **Resolution to vote on Capital Campaign as follows:**

Be it resolved that the Charge Conference of Chapin United Methodist Church authorizes a Capital Campaign from April 27, 2014 – May 18, 2014. This Capital Campaign will include receiving funds and pledges over a three (3) year period for the following purposes:

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Motion made to approve; Motion seconded

Comments made:

Campaign will be done in house using the model used before, RSI, which was paid for with the last Capital Campaign. It worked well then so it will be used again at no additional cost.

Our current debt is just under 4.8 million

The Building Team is already at work with the Garvin Design Group.

Jody sited Ephesians 3:20:

20 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us,

and also commented that the "To reduce" part of our original purpose may possibly show a lack of trust in God.

Paul Allen made a motion to strike that part from the original resolution and amend #1 to read:

To *eliminate* our existing mortgage debt in order to negotiate with banking institutions for the purpose of expanding our facilities (Adult Education/Children Education/Gathering Space)

Motion to amend was seconded. Motion to amend was approved.

Discussions:

Rick Faulkner commented that he has had discussions with the Catholic Church about the land to the right of the administrative offices. There is a possibility this may come available for us to purchase.

Therefore, Rick made a motion to replace the word "facilities" with "campus" in purpose #1, and add the word "Property" within the parenthesis at the end of #1 of our original resolution for the Capital Campaign.

Motion to amend was seconded. Motion to amend was approved.

Entire proposal is amended to read:

Be it resolved that the Charge Conference of Chapin United Methodist Church authorizes a Capital Campaign from April 27, 2014 – May 18, 2014. This Capital Campaign will include receiving funds and pledges over a three (3) year period for the following purposes:

1. To eliminate our existing mortgage debt in order to negotiate with banking institutions for the purpose of expanding our campus(Adult Education/Children Education/Gathering Space/Property).
2. To set aside ten percent (10%) of Capital Campaign funds and pledges received, with a cap at \$300,000, for the purpose of extending our campus (Satellite Extension)

Motion to approve as amended – Motion seconded. Called vote – Approved

Jody closed the meeting with prayer and sited Ephesians 3:21:

21 to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

Respectfully submitted by
Vicki Johnson



Church Council
May 8, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

Sally Baker	Don Boyer
Brad Bramlett	Jan Buck
Jim Buck	Joe Clement
Marti Close	Randy Dickens
Chris DeVietro	Rick Faulkner
Jody Flowers	Alice Furman
Ann Gainey	Rick Lamar
Becky McCormack	Jeff McCormack
Rick Ruczko	Ann Senn
Pat Slice	Ken Spence
Tim Walker	

Visitors: none

I. Welcome/Devotion: Becky McCormack shared a devotion by James MacDonald entitled The Unstoppable Word based on Timothy 2:8-9. *The word of God is not bound.*

II. Review of minutes – March 20, 2014 Meeting

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

III. New Procedures for Church Council Meetings

- Cut down on the number and length of committee reports.
 - Standing reports given at every meeting
 - Treasurer
 - Finance
 - Trustees
 - SPRC
 - Missions
 - Lay Leader
 - Staff reports and ministry area reports will rotate:
 - (Jan/May/Sept) – Congregational Care, Children's, Youth, Contemporary Worship, Assimilation, Operations
 - (Mar/July/Nov) – SALT, UMW, Prayer Ministry, Evangelism, Others that have a report

- All reports – except Finance - should be submitted to the Secretary **7 days** in advance of the meeting. Full reports will be emailed to all Church Council members **3 days** in advance of the meeting. This is especially important if you have any motions to bring forth so that the Church Council members can review them prior to the meeting.
- Reports presented at Church Council meetings should be 2 minutes or less. Individuals can share 2 or 3 highlights of their report and take questions. (Again, full reports will have already been sent out to the Church Council members and if there are any questions regarding any part of a report, it may be brought up and discussed at Council).
- New business items, or any items that a member wishes to add to the agenda, should be sent to the Chair of Church Council 5 days in advance of the meeting. Be advised that if an item is brought up as New Business that involves spending funds, or how funds are spent – and has not been studied and recommended first by a committee – it may be referred **back** to the proper committee for review before a vote is taken.
- The Church Council meeting agenda, along with full committee reports, will be emailed out 3 days in advance of Council meetings for members review.
- The new procedures are NOT intended to keep any important/relevant business from coming before Church Council. The intension is to keep the focus of the Church Council meetings on this type of business (rather than long, repetitive committee reports) and provide Council members with the needed advanced information to make sound and wise decisions.

IV. Reports:

A. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman

General bills as usual

Loan Balance of Phase 111 - \$ 4,787,000

B. Finance Committee - Jeff McCormack

General Fund Receipts

March – We collected \$192,699.94. (This was \$20,509.94 over our budgeted requirements.)

April – We collected \$151,676.88. (This was \$13,924.88 over our budgeted requirements.)

May – For the first Sunday we received \$35,960.59 which is \$1,522.59 over our budgeted needs.

Building Fund

Building Fund collections for the month of March were \$22,618.00.

Building Fund collections for the month of April were \$18,490.27.

Building Fund collections for the first Sunday in May was \$11,366.00.

Church Mortgage Balance (*as of 4-30-2014*)

Main Sanctuary \$4,787,000

Motions:

1. In the month of March we identified \$21,091.82 in funds from the working balance calculation that are available for other uses. This is excess money beyond what is needed to operate the church. The Finance Committee offers the following recommendations for expending those funds:
 - The Committee recommends that the Church apply \$18,000 towards the Mortgage balance.
 - The Committee also recommends moving the balance of \$3,091.82 to the Capital Campaign fund. (As a reminder, funds not used by the Capital Campaign are moved to the building fund.)

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

2. In April we identified \$13,925.00 in excess funds available for other uses. The Finance Committee recommends using these funds towards paying down our mortgage balance. **Note:** During the Win 1 lunch effort only \$1760 was picked up with the balance of \$8240 moved to the Capital Campaign.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

3. During the last Church Council meeting there was some confusion over which fundraisers do not need to be approved by Church Council annually, and how funds from those fund raising events are to be used. To clarify the matter Policy 305 from the CUMC Policies and Procedures manual was revised and approved by the Finance Committee for your review and discussion. It is submitted as *attachment 1* (end of report) to this report. As with all policy revisions, it will be available for at least 30 days for review, and will be discussed during the next Church Council meeting following the 30 day review period.

C. Board of Trustees – Don Boyer

- The Trustees and a number of volunteers spread mulch around the church buildings flower beds and islands on April 5th. The volunteers also sprayed for weeds and a small group worked on the stream to remove a beaver dam.
- Chuck Farley coordinated the demolition of the old house on the new property (thanks to Donnie Senn for his assistance in this project).
- The Trustees have agreed to hire a person to maintain the grounds between the Fellowship Hall and the Fusion Center and between the Sanctuary and the Administration/Classroom buildings several times a year.
- The Trustees approved the hiring of a full-time Facility Management Position; this position request will go to SPRC for their approval.

D. Operations Pastor – Rick Faulkner

April and May have been wonderful months here at CUMC. Easter weekend, in spite of the weather, was awesome. CUMC was packed, with close to 2,000 adults, students and children worshipping a risen Savior. Right on the heels of Easter has been our "Because of You" Capital Campaign, which will wrap up in mid-May. Sandwiched in between those two very significant events has been lots of preparation for future construction, constant repairs and renovation to existing facilities, and continuing to create awesome worship experiences for our members and guests.

1. Due to weather the Easter Eggstravaganza was cancelled, but Easter Sunday was great, with close to 2,000 people in attendance.
2. All applications for permits to the county have been submitted and invited bids for road contractors will be accepted on May 20th. We are hoping to begin work on the new driveway in June 2014.
3. Building Team has met weekly with Garvin Design Group (Architects) and a Concept Design has been completed and is part of the Campaign.
4. Have been working hard with the Trustees to keep the campus looking good and in a positive state of repair.
5. Have contracted with Southern Advantage for weed control and fertilization of all green spaces.
6. Audiovisual Team on Sunday mornings are working hard to create awesome worship experiences for everyone walking through our doors. Included in that are some technology upgrades which we are in the process of procuring and installing
7. Continue to lead couples small group and men's small group (both on Wednesdays)

Looking ahead to the next several months:

1. Schematic Design is the next phase of development and will begin in mid-May.
2. We are in initial stages of conversation with Our Lady of the Lakes to possibly purchase the land which they own on the north side of our campus.
3. After the Capital Campaign, another Church Conference will be held following a meeting with the District Board of Building and Location to move forward with construction.
4. Preparing our campus for summer – VBS and Fusion Summer in June; Pre School Camps in July; Marriage Weekend in August!

E. Missions – no report

F. Minister of Congregational Care – Paul Allen

- Deaths since March 2014 connected to our church family
(We had 11 deaths connected with our church family)
 1. Bill Sandifer – Henri Sandifer's Husband
 2. Sale Dembo – Rhoda Sanga's Father
 3. Jennifer Siegfried – Gary Siegfried's Wife
 4. Margaret Jones – Linda DuRant's Mother
 5. Gene Langdale – Mark Boatwright's Aunt
 6. Calvin Diedrich – Debbie Moss's Father

7. Steve Hipp – Michael Hipp’s Brother
 8. Dale Prater – Bill Christian’s Step-Brother
 9. Miriam Brickle – Gregg Brickle’s Mother
 10. Marv Wheaton – Steve Wheaton’s Father
 11. David Woodworth – Stephen Woodworth’s Brother
- Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
 1. Betty McCullough – Cancer
 2. Monty DeLoach – Cancer
 3. Tom Gault – Cancer
 4. Baby Leo Bugenske
 5. Tim Assemany – Cancer
 6. George Frederick – Heart
 7. Coleen Miller – Broken Ribs
 - “The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated.
 - CUMC’s Free Medical Clinic is now open and operating. Clinic is open the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. The number of patients are now increasing. Please continue to talk it up and make folks aware.
 - The Fourth Sunday Community Worship Service will be held May 25 at Lake Murray Evangelical @ 6:00 with Rev. Mark Scott of St. Francis Preaching.
 - The commissioned Stephen Ministers of CUMC have begun to take on some of the responsibilities of hospital visitation. They are representing Chapin Methodist for some surgeries and for hospital visitation three days a week. Carol Weathers is coordinating this effort. I am overseeing this ministry and am actively involved and am still doing hospital visits two days a week and attending surgeries where we feel my presence is more suited. Jody will make visits where his presence is more suited or needed. Sometimes as you know we both go. It depends on the situation. We are learning and adjusting as we move forward. Due to the size of our congregation we are having to make adjustments to make sure we adequately meet the needs of our people. Thus far this outreach by our Stephen Ministers is working extremely well and is being well received by our congregation.
 - We are excited about starting a new ministry called GriefShare at some point in the near future. It is a 13 week Lay-Driven ministry for grieving people. It is video guided by leading experts, has a workbook to help guide group discussion and is led by lay people who have dealt with grief first hand. Tony and Maria Timmerman have agreed to lead this new ministry. As many of you know they lost their son Justin two years ago in May. He was predeceased by his twin brother. Materials have been ordered. We will look over them and decide when we think is the right time for our first class. This ministry has been around for a while and we have actually sent some of our people to other churches that have offered it. We have just been waiting on right leaders. We now have them.
 - Please continue to pray for our church families. Issues of life affect us and those in our families we love and hold dear. Christians are not immune from the attacks of Satan. We have to deal with the issues of Finances, Health, Relationships, Addictions, Hurts, Hang-ups, & Habits also.

G. SPRC – Rick Lamar

SPRC did meet on 4/14/14.

There was a staff issue brought before us and after discussion, SPRC decided the appropriate action that was needed. This resulted in the termination in one of the custodial staff, George Bookman. We currently have a short term plan in place for keeping up with the facilities. Our committee will be looking at this issue and the future needs of our church.

Our campus will be expanding and this has to be considered. SPRC will be studying the capital campaign and will address resulting needs. Appropriate staffing needs will be brought before the church council.

H. Lay Leader – no report

I. Children’s Ministry – Sally Baker

- The month of April was spent preparing for the Eggstravaganza. We were blessed to receive 10,000 eggs and although the event was rained out, we have distributed the eggs to various neighborhood hunts and to the preschool.
- We were able to customize a 33 page book of Bible stories telling God’s plan of redemption. The book includes a letter from Pastor Jody, information on our Worship Services and Sunday school and contact information. The back cover displays our church logo. We purchased 650 books to hand out at the Eggstravaganza with the leftovers designated for visiting children on Sundays. The books were only 60c each! The books are available at the Registration Desk.
- Kids Worship is going well with the new curriculum we began called “BIG”.
- We are hosting our first Parent’s Date Night this Saturday from 4 – 8 pm. Registration has gone very well considering folks do travel for Mother’s Day. Parents will be able to attend a Christian movie and receive ministry for their children all for FREE! Children will have structured activities, supper, and make gifts for moms and dads.
- We are providing ministry to children ages 4 and under for the Capital Campaign events.
- Registration is going quite well for two summer events this year:
VBS Wilderness: Moses and the Israelites journey through the desert: June 23 – 27 from 9:00 – Noon
Fine Arts Camp: July 21-25, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Please sign up to volunteer.

Future Plans

- Work will continue for the Splashtacular, VBS, Fine Arts Camp, Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, Adopt-a-Grandchild, a Resource Rodeo for parents, and Promotion Sunday.
- Recruiting will continue for all areas of Children’s Ministry. We are growing!

J. Youth Ministry – Tim Walker

BIG EVENTS COMING UP...

Fusion Summer Kick-Off

June 1 will kick off Fusion's Summer Calendar. We will be having a cookout at Tanglewoods Estate. This event is for youth and families.

IGNITE Summer Camp

We have 160 signed up so far for IGNITE Summer Camp. We are 40 away from our goal of 200. We still need some scholarships for students but we will trust God for that.

Mission's Trips

We also have several missions trips planned for the summer. I will be leading one to Cabo, Mexico but please pray for all the leaders leading these trips this summer.

Mentorship Ministry

We are one step closer to starting up a Mentoring Ministry for student 6th grade and up. Keith Cote came last weekend (May 2-3) and did some training for us and help cast the vision. We will be launching this ministry in September 2014. Right now, we have 100 potential mentors which is absolutely AWESOME!

K. Contemporary Worship – Joe Clement

Highlights from the past two months:

1. We successfully organized and finished our Easter Morning Celebration media elements.
2. We've released our EP Crown You With Glory.
3. We finished all graphic elements for the 'Because of You' Campaign. This includes a number of testimonial videos.
4. We have begun work on the Marriage Conference in August entitled 'The DNA of relationships for couples.'
5. We've also successfully introduced a number of new songs including 'Raised to Life' and 'Unstoppable God.'

Things to look forward to:

1. We will be introducing numerous amounts of new songs in the next few months.
2. We will begin our new series 'Fight.'
3. We begin planning our 'I Am A Church Member' video series.

L. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVietro

In Review

- We had 349 individuals across 28 small groups in the winter
 - o Add in another 20 and 2 spring small groups
- Our First Connection teams did an AMAZING job for Easter. We had over 2,000 across 5 services and our teams worked HARD.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday mornings.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests and we continue to see new members join and begin serving.

Looking Ahead

- We've got 3 small group training sessions lined up for the summer time
- I am updating our Sunday school materials: Each quarter I'll be publishing a new booklet with what each SS is studying, similar to the small group booklet. This will help direct guests to the right class and generate continuing excitement about Sunday school.
- We'll have several summer small groups
- We're lining up our small groups and Sunday schools for the "I Am A Church Member" series in the Fall
- I continue to meet with and recruit prospective small group leaders
- We're planning a marriage retreat in the beginning of August
- We're planning a spiritual gifts/ministry celebration event in August

M. Others

Albert Cox – (delivered by Becky McCormack)

Pastor Jody will be speaking to the Seniors regarding the CUMC vision on June 11th at the Seniors Luncheon.

V. Old Business – none

VI. New Business – none

VII. Pastor's Report – Jody Flowers

1. Mother's Day offering for Epworth Children's Home will be taken this Sunday, May 11. Rev. Holler at Epworth has expressed appreciation for all CUMC has done for Epworth recently.
2. May 18th is pledge day for the capital campaign.
3. "Fight" is the next sermon series and begins May 25th.

**Next Church Council Meeting will be held July 17, 2014
at 7:00 pm**

Respectfully submitted by
Vicki Johnson

305 Fund Raisers

305.1 Purpose: To authorize Fund Raisers necessary to purchase an item to pay an expense, or promote a project incurred by the church but not included in the general budget.

305.2 Policy: Ministry Leaders or Missions Trip Leaders may submit to the Church Council a request for approval stating the purpose of the fund raiser and the date(s) of the event along with the location. Irrespective of whether the fund raiser is to be held on campus or off site, Church Council must decide on each request prior to any publication or information being disseminated to the congregation, excepting the standing events listed in 305.7.

305.3 Approved date must be placed on the Church Calendar if fund raiser is to be held on campus.

305.4 Love offerings may be requested of the congregation on special occasions at the discretion of the pastor and exempt of 305.2 above

305.5 The six church wide special Sundays with offerings and the four church wide special Sundays with an opportunity for offerings that are required by the Book of Discipline are specifically excluded for 305.2.

305.6 Requests to use Chapin UMC equipment and/or facilities for fund raisers by non-CUMC organizations are not authorized.

305.7 There are four (4) pre-authorized, on campus CUMC fund raisers that do not require Church Council approval:

- Annual Garage/Yard Sale
- Annual Holiday Bazaar
- 2 Missions Trip fund raisers for students participating in summer trips. The type of fund raisers will be determined by trip leaders, and date/location will be scheduled on the church calendar. The purpose of these fund raisers are to defray trip costs for participants.

305.8 After expense proceeds from the Annual Garage/Yard sale and the Annual Holiday Bazaar will be equally distributed between the United Methodist Women (UMW) for their mission commitments and the Building Fund. Requests for distribution other than the Building Fund may be brought to Church Council prior to the fund raiser.

Chapin United Methodist Church
Church Council
May 8, 2014

Agenda

- I. Welcome and Devotion
- II. Review/approval of minutes from March 2014 meeting
- III. New procedures for Church Council meetings
- III. Reports:
 - A. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman
 - B. Finance Committee – Jeff McCormack
 - C. Board of Trustees – Don Boyer
 - D. Operations Pastor – Rick Faulkner
 - E. Missions – Jerry Rye
 - F. Minister of Congregational Care – Paul Allen
 - G. SPRC – Rick Lamar
 - H. Lay Leader – Sharon Allen
 - I. Children’s Ministry – Sally Baker
 - J. Youth Ministry – Tim Walker
 - K. Contemporary Worship – Joe Clement
 - L. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVietro
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Church Council

July 17th, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

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Sharon Allen	Jody Flowers	Pat Slice
Sally Baker	Alice Furman	Tim Walker
Donald Boyer	Ann Gainey	
Brad Bramlett	Vicki Johnson	
Jan Buck	Rick Lamar	
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Joe Clement	Becky McCormack	
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Albert Cox	Wayne Moss	
Chris DiVietro	Evelyn A Neal	

Visitors: Mike Neal

I. Welcome/Devotion: Becky McCormack

II. Review of minutes: May 20, 2014 Meeting

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

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VII. New Business – Capital Campaign on Pause

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Respectfully submitted:

Jeff McCormack – Chair, CUMC Finance Committee

**Director of Contemporary Worship Report to the
Church Council (June – July) 2014**

Highlights from the past two months:

1. We successfully organized and finished the series 'Fight.'
2. We began filming for our 'I am a Church Member' Sunday school and small group curriculum.
3. We completed all the media elements for our 'Tune in' series.
4. We have continued work on the Marriage Conference in August entitled 'The DNA of relationships for couples.'

things to look forward to:

1. We will be introducing numerous amounts of new songs in the next few months.
2. We begin our new series 'Greater than.'
3. We will begin animating the new series 'David.'

Re: Thursday, July 17th @ 7:00 - additional reports

Mamaneal [mamaneal@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:48 PM

To: vjohnson@davisgarvin.com; Paul Allen; lmecc@bellsouth.net; eldon.armstrong@bellsouth.net; Sally Baker; dsboyer@gmail.com; wchristian@sc.rr.com; Joe Clement; gconthepec@bellsouth.net; confarm1@bellsouth.net; Chris DiVietro; Rick Faulkner; Jody Flowers; joshelle5@yahoo.com; Alice Furman; againey3@sc.rr.com; rdickens@bbandt.com; kkrumrey@lex5.k12.sc.us; debra.hadden@gentiva.com; ricklamar@scfbins.com; bmccormack@iiabsc.com; gamecock@infionline.net; cmcelveen@hbmng.net; jcneely@sc.rr.com; annowens@sc.rr.com; riversl1201@yahoo.com; tamiruczko@aol.com; jerryrye13@yahoo.com; roncarolsaxton@yahoo.com; apsenn@aol.com; mrsponce@sc.rr.com; kspence59.ks@gmail.com; sharon_veronee@yahoo.com; Tim Walker; Kmulmer@sc.rr.com; cobil@bellsouth.net; byfaithwepush@yahoo.com; pslice@bellsouth.net; hipp_michael@hotmail.com; bbramlett@scfc.gov; j-buck@att.net; jim@buckstrucks.com; acox62@sc.rr.com; shaynes@examco.com; johnsonhenry13@aol.com; wmoss@nalco.com; rick@weatherscontracting.com; 527simmons@gmail.com; veronee@scana.com; swilson@skipwilsonfinancial.com; shirleymaybin@msn.com; shaynes@exumco.com

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EAN

-----Original Message-----

From: Vicki Johnson <vjohnson@davisgarvin.com>

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Sent: Tue, Jul 15, 2014 3:26 pm

Subject: RE: Thursday, July 17th @ 7:00 - additional reports

See additional reports to add to yesterday's email.

Thanks,

VICKI JOHNSON, AIAM | aCCOUNTING MANAGER
P 803.732.8450 F 803.407.5416 C 803.315.9398

From: Vicki Johnson

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2014 6:29 PM

To: 'paul@chapinumc.com'; 'lmecc@bellsouth.net'; 'eldon.armstrong@bellsouth.net'; 'sally@chapinumc.com'; 'dsboyer@gmail.com'; 'wchristian@sc.rr.com'; 'joe@chapinumc.com'; 'gconthepe@bellsouth.net'; 'confarm1@bellsouth.net'; 'Chris@chapinumc.com'; 'Rick@chapinumc.com'; 'jodyflowers@chapinumc.com'; 'joshelle5@yahoo.com'; 'alice@chapinumc.com'; 'againy3@sc.rr.com'; 'rdickens@bbandt.com'; 'kkrumrey@lex5.k12.sc.us'; 'debra.hadden@gentiva.com'; 'ricklamar@scfbins.com'; 'bmccormack@jiabsc.com'; 'gamecock@infionline.net'; 'cmcelveen@hbmng.net'; 'jcneely@sc.rr.com'; 'annowens@sc.rr.com'; 'riversl1201@yahoo.com'; 'tamiruczko@aol.com'; 'jerryrye13@yahoo.com'; 'roncarolsaxton@yahoo.com'; 'apsenn@aol.com'; 'mrspence@sc.rr.com'; 'kspence59.ks@gmail.com'; 'sharon_veronee@yahoo.com'; 'Tim@chapinumc.com'; 'Kmulmer@sc.rr.com'; 'cobil@bellsouth.net'; 'byfaithwepush@yahoo.com'; 'pslice@bellsouth.net'; 'hipp_michael@hotmail.com'; 'bbramlett@scfc.gov'; 'j-buck@att.net'; 'jim@buckstrucks.com'; 'acox62@sc.rr.com'; 'shaynes@examco.com'; 'johnsonhenry13@aol.com'; 'cobil@bellsouth.net'; 'wmoos@nalco.com'; 'mamaneal@aol.com'; 'rick@weatherscontracting.com'; '527simmons@gmail.com'; 'veronee@scana.com'; 'swilson@skipwilsonfinancial.com'; 'shirleymaybin@msn.com'; 'shaynes@exumco.com'

Subject: Thursday, July 17th @ 7:00

Attached are the July meeting agenda, committee reports (except Finance, Lay Leader and Missions), and the May minutes, for the CUMC Church Council meeting that will be this Thursday, July 17th at 7:00 p.m. in Room 206. There is also a report from the 2014 United Methodist Annual Conference. **PLEASE REVIEW ALL COMMITTEE REPORTS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.** Keep in mind, per our new procedures, not all staff/ministry areas will give a verbal report at the meeting so it is up to *each individual Church Council member* to review the reports before the meeting to stay properly informed.

Standing reports to be given are Treasurer, Finance, Trustees, SPRC, Missions & Lay Leader.

Verbal reports that will be given *this month* are from the ministry areas ***if they have submitted*** a report. (See agenda)

All verbal reports given should touch only on ***highlights*** of the written reports, and be kept to 2 minutes or less if at all possible.

Lastly – but **VERY IMPORTANT** – written copies of these reports *will not be given out at the Council meeting* since they are being provided to you in advance so please plan accordingly.



Church Council

September 15, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

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Sharon Allen	Henry Johnson	
Eldon Armstrong	Rick Lamar	
Charles Bates	Shirley Mabin	
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Visitors: none

- I. **Welcome/Devotion:** Becky McCormack shared a devotion "Uniquely Gifted" (1 Cor 12:14-15" - Different parts of the body have different gifts
- II. **Review of minutes** – July 17, 2014 Meeting

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

III. Standing Reports:

A. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman

General bills as usual
Loan Balance of Phase 111 - \$ 4,452,000

B. Finance Committee - Jeff McCormack

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Building Fund collections for the first Sunday in September were \$8,751.89.

Church Mortgage Balance (as of 8-31-2014)
Main Sanctuary \$4,452,000.00

Motions:

1. In the month of July we identified \$8,989.43 in funds from the working balance calculation that are available for other uses. This is excess money beyond what is needed to operate the church. The Finance Committee recommends that the Church apply the entire amount towards the Driveway project sub-fund to pay for additional anticipated cost. Initially the Driveway was not going to have a paved surface, however since we are not building at this time, we will to pave the surface. The original anticipated cost was \$254,000, but now the expected cost with additional requirements from Lexington County is \$320,000. About \$66,000 more in cost.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

2. In August we identified in \$13,300.11 in excess funds available for other uses. The Finance Committee recommends applying these funds to the Driveway project sub-fund as well to pay for additional anticipated cost.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

C. Board of Trustees – Don Boyer

- The Church had to repair our alarm system due to a lighting strike (power surge) causing \$8,000 of damage to the system.
- The Church needed to replace a HVAC system in the Fellowship Hall that serviced two classrooms. The cost of this repair was \$3,600.
- A number of small electrical repairs were done by John Nesbitt.
- Chuck Farley, Kullen Boling and a team of helpers have been working to control the beavers in the stream running across the Church’s property. This has taken a lot of hard work this summer and we all need to thank them for the efforts this summer.
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D. Missions – Jerry Rye

Focus on GIC

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- Motion to approve Jody’s salary increase by 4%

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

F. Lay Leader – Sharon Allen

As always, the Laity of CUMC are seriously serving on a daily basis. Want something done? Just ask any of our Laity and you will find the help you need.

The first Sunday in August was Communion Sunday. It is my pleasure to arrange Communion Servers for the 9 a.m. Worship Service. On August 3rd we had two couples who served for the first time. It is always exciting and inspiring to see how being Communion Servers affects the people who answer the call to serve. One older couple, who had never served before, was glad to be able to do something special for their Lord and their church. I watched that Sunday as they served and you could see the love of Jesus in the lady’s eyes as she offered the body of Christ. She made direct eye contact with each person she served and said to each one – “the body of Christ shed for you”. The sweetness of that Communion Service touched my heart and brought tears to my eyes. The other couple, who had never served before, has been facing health issues and was also pleased to be able to serve their Lord and their church. If you would like to be added to the Communion Servers list just call me to volunteer. It is an awesome experience! Your serving will truly bless you in return!

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of course – SHOPPING!! Come join the fun-filled work and SHOP, SHOP, SHOP! Funds raised go towards the Building Fund Debt Reduction and the UMW's Mission Projects.

Remember OCC is coming up quickly. National Collection week is November 17th thru 23rd, 2014. Keep checking your bulletins, the newsletters and Sunday videos for ways you can volunteer to help with OCC Shoeboxes this year. Things will get underway in late October.

It is my pleasure to be your Lay Leader – if you need any help finding a place to serve, just call me and together we will find that “perfect place” for you to serve and enjoy it!

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Church Council

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CUMC Finance Committee Report to Church Council

9-18-2014

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Church Mortgage Balance (*as of 8-31-2014*)

Main Sanctuary \$4,452,000.00

Motions:

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Respectfully submitted:

Jeff McCormack – Chair, CUMC Finance Committee

DON BOYER

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RICK LAMAR

Pleased to report that SPRC did meet on July 7, 2014.

There were no staffing issues or concerns to discuss.

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Staff appreciation in October

The use of the parsonage and its upkeep verses a living allowance for the senior pastor.

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Lay Leader's Report for Church Council
September 18th, 2014

SHARON A.

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A05-3 Pastor Accountable Reimb.	\$7,000.00	\$5,000.00	-\$2,000.00
A06 Pulpit Supply	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
A07 Student Minister Salary (T. Walker)	\$50,758.00	\$52,282.00	\$1,524.00
A07-2 Student Minister Accountable Reimb.	\$3,750.00	\$3,750.00	\$0.00
A07-3 Student Minister Retirement	\$2,030.00	\$2,091.00	\$61.00
A07-4 Student Minister Medical	\$9,700.00	\$15,535.00	\$5,835.00
A08 Administrative Assistant Salary (C. Fogle)	\$29,567.00	\$30,455.00	\$888.00
A08-1 Admin. Assistant Retirement	\$1,183.00	\$1,219.00	\$36.00
A08-4 Admin. Assistant Medical	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
A09 Pianist Salary (M. Frederick)	\$11,016.00	\$11,124.00	\$108.00
A10 Trad. Music Director Salary (N. Bollman)	\$27,100.00	\$27,913.00	\$813.00
A10-1 Trad. Music Director Accountable Reimb.	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
A11 Organist Salary (L. Tucker)	\$11,730.00	\$11,845.00	\$115.00
A12 Additional Music Help	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
A13 Nursery Worker	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
A14 Payroll Taxes	\$30,200.00	\$32,500.00	\$2,300.00
A15 Misc. & Unforseen	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
A16 Pastor Moving Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
A16-1 Staff Moving Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
A17 Bonus	\$8,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$500.00
A18 Treasurer/Office Asst. Salary (A. Furman)	\$29,462.00	\$30,347.00	\$885.00
A19 Minister Congregational Care (P. Allen)	\$38,200.00	\$39,364.00	\$1,164.00
A19-2 Minister Cong. Care Accountable Reimb.	\$5,750.00	\$5,750.00	\$0.00
A19-3 Minister Cong. Care Retirement	\$1,528.00	\$1,575.00	\$47.00
A19-4 Minister Cong. Care Medical	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
A20 Cont. Worship Leader (J. Clement)	\$43,470.00	\$44,775.00	\$1,305.00
A20-2 Cont. Worship Accountable Reimb.	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
A20-3 Cont. Worship Retirement	\$1,739.00	\$1,791.00	\$52.00

WORK AREAS	2014	2015 Requested	Changes
B01 Senior Adults	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00

B02 Children	\$23,100.00	\$24,200.00	\$1,100.00
B02-4 Nursery	\$2,950.00	\$2,950.00	\$0.00
B03 Confirmation	\$3,600.00	\$3,850.00	\$250.00
B04 Library	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
B05 Evangelism/Community Outreach	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$0.00
B06 Family Ministries/Spirit Lifters	\$500.00	\$3,150.00	\$2,650.00
B07 Stewardship	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
B08 Worship	\$6,300.00	\$6,420.00	\$120.00
B09 Youth	\$50,630.00	\$56,500.00	\$5,870.00
B09-1 Youth-Graduate recognition	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$0.00
B10 Misc. & Unforseen	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
B11 Membership Secretary	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$0.00
B12 Church Council	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
B13 CUIC/Religion & Race	\$500.00	\$550.00	\$50.00
B14 Church & Society	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
B15 Status & Role of Women	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
B16 Higher Education/Campus Ministry	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
B17 Media/Igniting Ministries	\$7,000.00	\$6,000.00	-\$1,000.00
B19 Lay Ministry	\$500.00	\$300.00	-\$200.00
B21 Health & Welfare	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
B22 Sunday School	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
B22-1 Children Curriculum	\$9,300.00	\$11,300.00	\$2,000.00
B23 Community Volunteers	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
B24 Prayer Ministry	\$1,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$800.00
B25 Discipleship Ministry	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$0.00
B27 Son Flower Ministry	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
B28 New Member Assimilation	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$0.00
B29 Spiritual Gifts Ministry	\$750.00	\$1,240.00	\$490.00
B30 First Connection	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$0.00
B34 Stephen Ministry	\$2,175.00	\$3,535.00	\$1,360.00
TOTAL	\$136,790.00	\$150,280.00	\$13,490.00
		9.8% increase	
MISSIONS	2014	2015 Requested	Changes
C39 Global Impact Con	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$0.00
C43 Short-term Mission Scholarships	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$0.00
C45 Full time Ministry Staff Missions	\$4,000.00	\$2,500.00	-\$1,500.00
C46 Part time Ministry Staff Missions	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
C47 GO Team Advertising	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
C48 Mission Trip Material and Leader Support	\$32,500.00	\$32,500.00	\$0.00
C49 2013 Increase for Missionary Support	\$48,500.00	\$48,500.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$110,000.00	\$107,500.00	-\$2,500.00
		0% increase	

BUILDING & GROUNDS	2014	2015 Requested	Changes
D01 Building & Grounds Maintenance	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	-\$10,000.00
D02 Water, Sewer, Electricity, Gas	\$75,750.00	\$78,750.00	\$3,000.00
D03 Pest Control	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
D04 Garbage Pickup	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$0.00
D06 Parsonage Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
D07 Parsonage Furnishings	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
D08 Vehicle Maintenance/Tags	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
D09 Church Insurance/Vans/WC	\$28,500.00	\$28,500.00	\$0.00
D10 Lawn Care	\$6,500.00	\$14,500.00	\$8,000.00
D11 Telephone	\$7,000.00	\$9,700.00	\$2,700.00
D13 Janitorial Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
D14 Kitchen Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
D1 ^F Transfer to Building Fund	\$360,000.00	\$360,000.00	\$0.00
D1 Misc & Unforseen	\$37,500.00	\$37,500.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$590,050.00	\$593,750.00	\$3,700.00
		.6% increase	
OTHER EXPENSES	2014	2015 Requested	Changes
E01 Music Supplies	\$12,000.00	\$10,000.00	-\$2,000.00
E02 Athletic Fees	\$1,095.00	\$1,150.00	\$55.00
E03 Office Supplies	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
E04 Office Equipment	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
E05 Delegates to Convention	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
E06 Postage	\$3,500.00	\$3,000.00	-\$500.00
E07 Communications	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$0.00
F10 Misc & Unforseen	\$300.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,200.00

RE: council reports

Vicki Johnson [vjohnson@davisgarvin.com]

Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2014 7:51 PM
To: Alice Furman
Attachments: 11.20.14 CUMC Council Min~1.docx (71 KB)

These have not been approved by council but it is the latest and greatest. I don't see where I typed up the one for 10/23/14 but it seems like I did one. I lost the information on a laptop since then so it may have been on that. I'll have to check on that one - I may have to recreate.

VICKI JOHNSON, AIAM | ACCOUNTING MANAGER

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From: Alice Furman [mailto:Alice@chapinumc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2014 7:00 PM
To: Vicki Johnson
Subject: council reports

Vicki, do we have a council report for October 23 when we approved budget for 2015 and also could I get report of November council meeting to be put in the books for the end of the year.

Alice



Church Council
November 20, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

Paul Allen	Alice Furman	
Sharon Allen	Henry Johnson	
Eldon Armstrong	Vicki Johnson	
Charles Bates	Shirley Maybin	
Donald Boyer	Becky McCormack	
Brad Bramlett	Jeff McCormack	
Marti Close	Cliff McElveen	
Albert Cox	Rick Ruczko	
Chris DiVietro	Ken Simmons	
Rick Faulkner		
Jody Flowers		

Visitors: Bill Maybin, Wally Turner

- I. **Welcome/Devotion:** Paul Allen shared a devotion "A Business Letter to Jesus Christ" - Sometimes ordinary people are chosen to do extra ordinary missions in life. Look for that special purpose!
- II. **Review of minutes** – September 15, 2014 Meeting

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

III. **Standing Reports:**

A. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman

General bills as usual
Loan Balance of Phase 111 - \$ 4,337,000

B. Finance Committee - Jeff McCormack

General Fund Receipts

October – We collected \$157,260.45. (This was \$19,508.45 above our budgeted requirements.)
November – For the first two Sundays we received \$82,117.07 which is \$13,241.07 over our budgeted needs.

Building Fund

Building Fund collections for the month of October were \$20,130.89.

Building Fund collections for the first two Sundays in November were \$16,023.67.

Church Mortgage Balance (as of 10-31-2014)

Main Sanctuary \$4,368,000.00

Motions:

In October we identified in \$20,151.33 in excess funds available for other uses. The Finance Committee recommends applying these funds to the Driveway project sub-fund as well to pay for additional anticipated cost.

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

C. Board of Trustees – Don Boyer

- The Trustees coordinated the construction of a safety ramp for the back stairs leading to the administration wing. The ramp was built to eliminate the uneven steps in the area people have tripped and fallen over the years.
- Small repairs continue to be done by the trustees throughout the campus.
- The Trustees approved the replacement of HVAC system for Little Church's sanctuary.
- John Nesbitt and Don Boyer built a display in the Narthex to promote Mission activities.
- John Nesbitt and Don Boyer built a closet in the hallway area adjacent to the Pre-school area to provide storage for the pre-school.
- The Trustees have voted to approve the new loan (the construction loan for the Sanctuary) offered by First Community Bank.

D. Missions – Jerry Rye

No Report

E. SPRC – Rick Lamar

- The SPRC Committee did meet on 10/27/14.
- Scripture lesson came from John 2:1-11
- There are no current issues to discuss on present staff. It was noted that William Baker was injured while working and is recovering from laceration to hand. Church's property and casualty policy is handling medical bills.
- SPRC reviewed Clergy Assessment questionnaire that is required by Methodist Conference. This form was submitted after it was acknowledged by senior pastor, Jody Flowers. Our pastor was given an excellent rating.
- The committee reviewed and discussed Christmas bonuses for staff. Amounts were approved and submitted to Alice Furman. This is a budgeted amount previously approved by Church Council.

- SPRC will not meet again for 2014 unless there is business concerning staff. There is possibility of this committee convening to interview potential candidates for the facilities manager position. Applications are being received and reviewed.

F. Lay Leader – Sharon Allen

November is the perfect time to express our thanks to God for all His bountiful gifts and blessings! As Lay Leader of CUMC I have lots to be thankful for and working with the Lay Servant Ministers of CUMC is one of my biggest blessings from God! We have the best Lay Servant Ministers ever. They are always ready to serve - whenever they are asked and in any way they can.

Since the week of October 27th Lay Servant Ministers have been answering the call to put together Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and stuff them with brochures and prayer cards. Over 1,600 GO (Gospel Opportunity) Boxes have been put together and made available to the CUMC congregation. As we meet, those GO Boxes are being filled and will be turned in this Sunday, November 23rd in the Sanctuary by 4 p.m. Thanks to all who have participated in this awesome Mission Project that shares Jesus Christ with Children around the world through a simple shoebox. What goes into a shoebox is fun – what comes out is ETERNAL!

On Sunday, November 23rd a group of volunteers will meet to put filled OCC Shoeboxes into shipping cartons and into the truck for delivery to the Drop Off Center at N. Trenholm Rd. Baptist Church in Columbia. Want to help pack cartons? Show up at 4 p.m. this Sunday in the CUMC Sanctuary!

On Monday, December 1st and Wednesday, December 3rd CUMC volunteers will go to Charlotte to process filled OCC Shoeboxes for their journeys all over the world to be placed in the hands of eager children. Be praying daily for the GO Boxes as they are filled, packed for shipment, travel and are delivered – each one to the children God has chosen. OCC Shoeboxes travel on the wings of prayer! If you would like to go to Charlotte to process shoeboxes – see me ASAP – there are still some seats left on the mini bus.

Next week Lay Servant Ministers will decorate CUMC for Christmas. In December they will take part in Communion and Advent Lighting during Worship times. The Choir and Orchestra will give their Annual Christmas Program on Sunday, December 14th at both the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. CUMC Lay Servant Ministers just keep on giving! Thanks be to God for the blessing each of you are to CUMC and me!

IV. Ministry Area Reports:

A. SALT – Albert Cox

- The Columbia District SALT program was hosted by our CUMC senior adult committee on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2014. There were 181 who attended from all over the Columbia district. We had good food and fellowship, a wonderful program and just a great day together. CUMC always does such a good job at hosting these events and Nov. 6 was evidence of this. It was so good that the Columbia SALT committee thought maybe they would ask if they could return next year.

- The Christmas program for senior adults will be Wednesday, December 3, with General Steve Seigfried reading the Cajun “Night Before Christmas” and Nancy Bollman in charge of the music. The meal will be catered.
- In January, 2015, Cathy Lane will present a program on “Saints and Angels”.
- February 3rd – 5th 2015 – Senior Conference Meeting at Springmaid Beach

B. Prayer Ministry - Shirley Maybin

This ministry is led by Shirley Maybin, Coordinator of Prayer Ministries.

The Pre-Worship Prayer Team consists of 9 members and meets for prayer every Sunday morning prior to the worship services. This team moves around the church laying hands on and praying for everything connected with the worship service. This team prays for the worship services themselves, Pastor Jody, our staff, the support folks such as parking attendants, NHPers, ushers, greeters, etc. as well as for our Sunday School teachers, our children’s programs and for our youth groups. Prayer is also offered for the small groups and classes held during the week. The team also prays for those who will be attending our worship services that God will strengthen their faith and lead them into a closer relationship with Christ Jesus, and for the lost that they may come to know Christ and surrender their lives to Him.

Our Outreach Ministry is the prayer quilt ministry which is called Prayers and Squares. Prayer squares can be given by anyone to someone needing prayer. These are used by Sunday School classes, small groups, and individuals. A numerical count is not kept for these squares. This ministry also distributes prayer squares to Palmetto Richland and Palmetto Baptist as well as Self Regional in Greenwood for breast cancer patients and others who suffer from cancer. We have distributed 695 prayer squares this year to the hospitals. A total of 6 prayer squares have been sent to servicemen in the military and connected to our church. Prayer quilts must be requested and are hung in the sanctuary, prayed over and tied by the members of the church. We have hung a total of 22 quilts this year. There are 20 servant ministers serving in the quilt ministry.

The Prayer Ministry continues to distribute the Prayer Ministry prayer cards each Sunday and utilizes 42 prayer partners who pray over prayer requests and concerns.

A Prayer Room which is used by individuals for prayer, quiet time, and study is open during church hours and the Prayer Chapel is available for prayer 24/7.

Servant Ministers:

Pre-Worship Prayer – 9

Prayer Quilt Ministry – 20

Prayer Partners – 42

Total Servant Ministers – 71

C. Congregational Care – Paul Allen

Deaths since September 2014 connected to our church family

(We had 14 deaths connected with our church family five of which were members/attendees)

1. Dorothy Moody – Donna Tarallo’s Mother
2. James Farley – John Farley’s Father
3. Donna Lewis – Gwin Crump’s Sister
4. Virginia Forbes – Ginny Wolfe’s Grandmother
5. Carrie VanGilder – Jerry Weatherford’s Sister
6. **Mary Carpenter – Ed Carpenter’s Mother - MEMBER**
7. **Joe Hodges – Jean Hodges Husband - MEMBER**
8. Linda Hyland – Jenny Rawling’s Sister
9. Demetris Collins – Judy Hanshew’s Mother
10. **John Mann – Rachel Mann’s Husband - MEMBER**
11. **George Frederick – Paul Frederick’s Father – REGULAR ATTENDEE**
12. Phyllis Pope – Karen Knox’s Mother
13. **Addison Bostain – Pat Lewandowski’s Father – MEMBER**
14. Paul Knizek – Karl Knizek’s Brother

Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers

Sue Richardson – Cancer

Cathy Abrams - Cancer

Baby Leo Bugenske

Tom Mitchell – Diagnosis still incomplete

“The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated.

CUMC’s Free Medical Clinic is currently operational at their new location relocated to the old We Care Facility. They are open from 4 – 6 PM every second and fourth Thursday.

The Thanksgiving Community Worship service will be held at St. John AME church on November 23rd at 6:00 pm.

The commissioned Stephen Ministers of CUMC have begun to take on some of the responsibilities of hospital visitation. They are representing Chapin Methodist for some surgeries and for hospital visitation three days a week. Carol Weathers is coordinating this effort. I am overseeing this ministry and am actively involved and am still doing hospital visits two days a week and attending surgeries where we feel my presence is more suited. Jody also makes visits where his presence is more suited or needed. Sometimes as you know we both go. It depends on the situation. We are learning and adjusting as we move forward. Due to the size of our congregation we are having to make adjustments to make sure we adequately meet the needs of our people. **Thus far this outreach by our Stephen Ministers is working extremely well and is being well received by our congregation.**

We began a new ministry called GriefShare in September. It has been well received. We have an average attendance of 14-17 people attending each week. Five of which are from the community. It is a 13 week Lay-Driven ministry for grieving people. It is video guided by

leading experts, has a workbook to help guide group discussion and is led by lay people who have dealt with grief first hand. Tony and Maria Timmerman are leading this new ministry. As many of you know they lost their son Justin two years ago in May due to a drunk driver. He was predeceased by his twin brother. I am also in attendance in a ministerial support role.

Pastor Jody and I took Holy Communion to our shut-ins at home and in assisted living facilities in September. This is always a great day of sharing for us and our people.

Please continue to pray for our church families. Issues of life affect us and those in our families we love and hold dear. Christians are not immune from the attacks of Satan. We have to deal with the issues of Finances, Health, Relationships, Addictions, Hurts, Hang-ups, & Habits also.

D. Children's Ministry – Sally Baker (not present)

- We have almost completed our Safe Sanctuary trainings and group leader trainings for the fall. Groups include: Registration Desk, Wee Worship Leaders, Kids Worship Leaders, Sunday School Leaders and KidMentors, Nursery Helpers, and new Parent Advisory Council members.
- Together with the Parent Advisory Council we are evaluating our programs and activities for the rest of the school year and summer.
- We are also evaluating our curriculum with other curriculum to determine the best material to use in upcoming years for Sunday school, Kids Worship and Wee Worship.
- The children decorated 100 pairs of flip flops to put in Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes.

Future Plans

- We hope to begin rehearsals with the 9:00 and 11:15 Worship Teams in November.
- The children will also decorate and fill goodie bags for the elderly and our CUMC shut-ins for their Christmas outreach. The bags will be distributed during our Fam the Flame Caroling night on Friday, December 19.
- Our Christmas Kids Worship Series will be "Unfrozen": Jesus was born to melt hardened hearts, and bring new life and a new kingdom.
- Christmas w/Pastor Jody & Michelle: Dec. 14 10:20
- Birthday Party for Jesus
- Kids Worship Christmas Eve Service Dec. 24 @ 3:00 pm. The magi visit Jesus bringing gifts He and his family would need in the future. Kids will learn that God will provide what they need too; they just have to trust Him.
- Jesus, Light of the World - Neon Day.

E. Youth Ministry – Tim Walker

No report – at youth convention

F. Contemporary Worship - Joe Clements

Highlights from the past two months:

1. We successfully organized and finished all media elements for the series 'You Decide.'
2. We worked on multiple monitor slides and other media as needed.
3. We successfully introduced many new songs including 'We Are Returning,' and 'Alive.'
4. We began planning for a possible worship on-site event.
5. We began filming for the new series 'Heading Home.'

Things to look forward to:

1. We will be introducing numerous amounts of new songs in the next few months.
2. We begin our new series 'Heading Home.'
3. We are continuing to recruit for our new fourth service.

G. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVietro

In Review

- We have been in a great season of reflection (summer and fall) and preparation (winter and spring).
- We have started a new Sunday morning men's group. The men are excited and passionate about the Gospel and eager to multiply their efforts into several new groups soon.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday mornings.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests and we continue to see new members join and begin serving.
- We received information from a church-wide survey to all members who had joined in the last three years. That information was helpful in thinking through our membership and assimilation process

Looking Ahead

- Our church-wide series, based on the book "I am a Church Member," will be called *The Privilege*.
 - o We will begin the series on Sunday January 25th and it will run for 7 weeks in small groups and Sunday schools.
- I continue to add new folks to our ministry teams
- I continue to meet with and recruit prospective small group leaders
- I continue to meet with new members and members seeking to get involved
- I am working to help create an infographic for our assimilation process. The clearer we can depict church involvement, the more smoothly we'll help folks get involved.

H. Operations – Rick Faulkner

We have a very busy fall season and are looking ahead to the Christmas season and an exciting 2015! With the budget for next year approved, all ministries are forging ahead with their plans for a meaningful and Christ-centered Thanksgiving and Christmas. Just a few of the items that have been on my plate this fall include:

1. With approval of the 2015 Church Budget, I have been accepting resumes for the newly established Facilities Manager position. I have a small team from the Trustees

who are reviewing the resumes with me, and together we will narrow the field and invite several candidates to interview. Once that process is completed, I will bring a recommendation to SPRC for their discussion, any possible further interviews, and selection. The hope is to have a person in place by January, 2015.

2. I have been working hard to keep the Trustees busy the past couple of months. You will hear from the Trustee Chair, Don Boyer, but let me add that they are an incredible team, and over October and November, they have been instrumental in repairing light ballasts; adding storage for the children's ministry; renovating the Global Outreach wall in the Narthex, and keeping the church busses maintained and operating properly.
3. The Bennington Court/Amick's Ferry Entrance continues to be a significant focus of my time. We did gain Lexington County Council approval to close the road, and now our case goes to the Masters and Equity Court to ask them for final approval to close the road for renovations. We are waiting on a request from SCDOT for a "design exception" in order to obtain permits from them.
4. The Sunday morning Production Team is growing and being cross trained in the many different areas of audio and visual production. We are adding a large number of teens and pre-teens to our team, as they come technologically savvy and frankly teach us more than we teach them.
5. In addition to adding members to the Production Team, we have also been busy upgrading equipment in the A/V booth, including a new sound board, racks, and led lights for both Fusion Center and the Main Sanctuary.
6. The Free Clinic has been "re-launched" at its new location in the old We Care building on highway 76. Immediately, the clinic has seen a dramatic uptick in numbers of people coming for services. Many thanks to Ken Magee and Joe Clement for moving this forward.
7. Looking ahead, we are planning for an outstanding Christmas Season and a 2015 to remember!

I love you all and love this church! Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to partner with you in advancing God's Kingdom in Chapin and throughout the world.

V. New Business

Rick Faulkner – Opportunity to renew the First Community Loan @ 3.7% for 5 years at no cost to CUMC. A motion was made by Rick Faulkner for a resolution authorizing the Trustees to sign a renewal of our existing church loan for an additional five years with First Community Bank

Motion to approve - Called vote – Approved

VI. New Business

Rick Faulkner – Driveway – all have agreed to close Bennington Court to work on the driveway except for one resident. This may present some legal fees in the future.

VII. Pastor's Report – Jody Flowers

- Charge Conference (with our new DS, Rev. Dr. Cathy Jameson-Ogg) was held on Tuesday, November 4th, at 7:30pm. There was a great turnout and Dr. Cathy was impressed by what she experienced (read her email).
- The Vision Team will meet this Sunday November 23rd (and again on Dec 7th) and will present their recommendations about any possible “next steps” to Church Council in January 2015.
- Future Staff update. (Cite the Christianity Today survey. typical church ratio of attenders (not members) to staff is 86:1 while CUMC's ratio is 119:1 (see Rick's email).
- Christmas Eve Offering (Series: “Heading Home”) all to Missions. GIC offering in 2013 was \$105,000; this year it was \$75,000. Last year's CE offering was \$17,000; with a little nudge we can equal or exceed last year's amount.
- How many of us have people we just don't know what to get them for Christmas? Just 34 days are left! How about Mission Trip Gifts for Christmas? (400 goers in 2015; 250 adults, 150 students).
- Finish up our **YOU DECIDE** series with “YOU DECIDE LIVE!” this Sunday. Everyone will have the opportunity to submit their questions and a panel of distinguished biblical scholars (haha :) will attempt to provide answers.
- **W1N** wall update: 65 cards have been moved (65 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES! // We exist to help unconnected people **connect** with the saving love of Jesus, together **grow** in full devotion to Him, while freely **sharing** His love with each other and the world.
- Thank you all so much for allowing myself, Michelle, and Andrew to be a part of such a loving church family.

VIII. Next Church Council Meeting will be held January 15th at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Vicki Johnson



Church Council

November 23, 2014 – 7:00 pm

Agenda

- I. **Welcome/Devotion:** Paul Allen

- II. **Review of minutes:** September 15, 2014 Meeting

- III. **Standing Reports:**
 - A. **Treasurers Report – Alice Furman**
 - B. **Finance Committee - Jeff McCormack**
 - C. **Board of Trustees – Don Boyer**
 - D. **Missions – Jerry Rye**
 - E. **SPRC – Rick Lamar**
 - F. **Lay Leader – Sharon Allen**

- IV. **Ministry Area Reports:**
 - A. **SALT**
 - B. **Prayer Ministry**

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CUMC Finance Committee Report to Church Council

11-20-2014

General Fund Receipts

October – We collected \$157,260.45. (This was \$19,508.45 above our budgeted requirements.)

November – For the first two Sundays we received \$82,117.07 which is \$13,241.07 over our budgeted needs.

Building Fund

Building Fund collections for the month of October were \$20,130.89.

Building Fund collections for the first two Sundays in November were \$16,023.67.

Church Mortgage Balance (*as of 10-31-2014*)

Main Sanctuary \$4,368,000.00

Motions:

In October we identified in \$20,151.33 in excess funds available for other uses. The Finance Committee recommends applying these funds to the Driveway project sub-fund as well to pay for additional anticipated cost.

Respectfully submitted:

Jeff McCormack – Chair, CUMC Finance Committee

November 14, 2014

To: Vicky Johnson

From: Don Boyer

Subject: September and October Trustees Report

The Trustees coordinated the construction of a safety ramp for the back stairs leading to the administration wing. The ramp was built to eliminate the uneven steps in the area people have tripped and fallen over the years.

Small repairs continue to be done by the trustees throughout the campus.

The Trustees approved the replacement of HVAC system for Little Church's sanctuary.

John Nesbitt and Don Boyer built a display in the Narthex to promote Mission activities.

John Nesbitt and Don Boyer built a closet in the hallway area adjacent to the Pre-school area to provide storage for the pre-school.

The Trustees have voted to approve the new loan (the construction loan for the Sanctuary) offered by First Community Bank.

SPRC Report to Church Council 11/20/14

The SPRC Committee did meet on 10/27/14.

Scripture lesson came from John 2:1-11

There are no current issues to discuss on present staff. It was noted that William Baker was injured while working and is recovering from laceration to hand. Church's property and casualty policy is handling medical bills.

SPRC reviewed Clergy Assessment questionnaire that is required by Methodist Conference. This form was submitted after it was acknowledged by senior pastor, Jody Flowers. Our pastor was given an excellent rating.

The committee reviewed and discussed Christmas bonuses for staff. Amounts were approved and submitted to Alice Furman. This is a budgeted amount previously approved by Church Council.

SPRC will not meet again for 2014 unless there is business concerning staff. There is possibility of this committee convening to interview potential candidates for the facilities manager position. Applications are being received and reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Lamar

Chair

Lay Leaders' Report to Church Council - CUMC
November 20th, 2014 – By: Sharon Allen, Lay Leader CUMC

November is the perfect time to express our thanks to God for all His bountiful gifts and blessings! As Lay Leader of CUMC I have lots to be thankful for and working with the Lay Servant Ministers of CUMC is one of my biggest blessings from God! We have the best Lay Servant Ministers ever. They are always ready to serve - whenever they are asked and in anyway they can.

Since the week of October 27th Lay Servant Ministers have been answering the call to put together Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and stuff them with brochures and prayer cards. Over 1,600 GO (Gospel Opportunity) Boxes have been put together and made available to the CUMC congregation. As we meet, those GO Boxes are being filled and will be turned in this Sunday, November 23rd in the Sanctuary by 4 p.m. Thanks to all who have participated in this awesome Mission Project that shares Jesus Christ with Children around the world through a simple shoebox. What goes into a shoebox is fun – what comes out is ETERNAL!

On Sunday, November 23rd a group of volunteers will meet to put filled OCC Shoeboxes into shipping cartons and into the truck for delivery to the Drop Off Center at N. Trenholm Rd. Baptist Church in Columbia. Want to help pack cartons? Show up at 4 p.m. this Sunday in the CUMC Sanctuary!

On Monday, December 1st and Wednesday, December 3rd CUMC volunteers will go to Charlotte to process filled OCC Shoeboxes for their journeys all over the world to be placed in the hands of eager children. Be praying daily for the GO Boxes as they are filled, packed for shipment, travel and are delivered – each one to the children God has chosen. OCC Shoeboxes travel on the wings of prayer! If you would like to go to Charlotte to process shoeboxes – see me ASAP – there are still some seats left on the mini bus.

Next week Lay Servant Ministers will decorate CUMC for Christmas. In December they will take part in Communion and Advent Lighting during Worship times. The Choir and Orchestra will give their Annual Christmas Program on Sunday, December 14th at both the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. CUMC Lay Servant Ministers just keep on giving! Thanks be to God for the blessing each of you are to CUMC and me!

SENIOR ADULT REPORT

The Columbia District SALT program was hosted by our CUMC senior adult committee on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2014. There were 181 who attended from all over the Columbia district. We had good food and fellowship, a wonderful program and just a great day together. CUMC always does such a good job at hosting these events and Nov. 6 was evidence of this. It was so good that the Columbia SALT committee thought maybe they would ask if they could return next year.

The Christmas program for senior adults will be Wednesday, December 3, with General Steve Seigfried reading the Cajun "Night Before Christmas" and Nancy Bollman in charge of the music. The meal will be catered.

In January, 2015, Cathy Lane will present a program on "Saints and Angels".

PRAYER MINISTRY REPORT FOR COUNCIL – Nov. 2014

This ministry is led by Shirley Maybin, Coordinator of Prayer Ministries.

The Pre-Worship Prayer Team consists of 9 members and meets for prayer every Sunday morning prior to the worship services. This team moves around the church laying hands on and praying for everything connected with the worship service. This team prays for the worship services themselves, Pastor Jody, our staff, the support folks such as parking attendants, NHPers, ushers, greeters, etc. as well as for our Sunday School teachers, our children's programs and for our youth groups. Prayer is also offered for the small groups and classes held during the week. The team also prays for those who will be attending our worship services that God will strengthen their faith and lead them into a closer relationship with Christ Jesus, and for the lost that they may come to know Christ and surrender their lives to Him.

Our Outreach Ministry is the prayer quilt ministry which is called Prayers and Squares. Prayer squares can be given by anyone to someone needing prayer. These are used by Sunday School classes, small groups, and individuals. A numerical count is not kept for these squares. This ministry also distributes prayer squares to Palmetto Richland and Palmetto Baptist as well as Self Regional in Greenwood for breast cancer patients and others who suffer from cancer. We have distributed 695 prayer squares this year to the hospitals. A total of 6 prayer squares have been sent to servicemen in the military and connected to our church. Prayer quilts must be requested and are hung in the sanctuary, prayed over and tied by the members of the church. We have hung a total of 22 quilts this year. There are 20 servant ministers serving in the quilt ministry.

The Prayer Ministry continues to distribute the Prayer Ministry prayer cards each Sunday and utilizes 42 prayer partners who pray over prayer requests and concerns.

A Prayer Room which is used by individuals for prayer, quiet time, and study is open during church hours and the Prayer Chapel is available for prayer 24/7.

Servant Ministers:

Pre-Worship Prayer – 9

Prayer Quilt Ministry – 20

Prayer Partners – 42

Total Servant Ministers – 71

Prepared on October 6, 2014

Children's Ministry Report Oct/Nov 2014

- We have almost completed our Safe Sanctuary trainings and group leader trainings for the fall. Groups include: Registration Desk, Wee Worship Leaders, Kids Worship Leaders, Sunday School Leaders and KidMentors, Nursery Helpers, and new Parent Advisory Council members.
- Together with the Parent Advisory Council we are evaluating our programs and activities for the rest of the school year and summer.
- We are also evaluating our curriculum with other curriculum to determine the best material to use in upcoming years for Sunday school, Kids Worship and Wee Worship.
- The children decorated 100 pairs of flip flops to put in Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes.

Future Plans

- We hope to begin rehearsals with the 9:00 and 11:15 Worship Teams in November.
- The children will also decorate and fill goodie bags for the elderly and our CUMC shut-ins for their Christmas outreach. The bags will be distributed during our Fam the Flame Caroling night on Friday, December 19.
- Our Christmas Kids Worship Series will be "Unfrozen": Jesus was born to melt hardened hearts, and bring new life and a new kingdom.
- Christmas w/Pastor Jody & Michelle: Dec. 14 10:20
- Birthday Party for Jesus
- Kids Worship Christmas Eve Service Dec. 24 @ 3:00 pm. The magi visit Jesus bringing gifts He and his family would need in the future. Kids will learn that God will provide what they need too; they just have to trust Him.
- Jesus, Light of the World - Neon Day.

Church Council

November 20, 2014

- Charge Conference (with our new DS, Rev. Dr. Cathy Jameson-Ogg) was held on Tuesday, November 4th, at 7:30pm. There was a great turnout and Dr. Cathy was impressed by what she experienced (read her email).
- The Vision Team will meet this Sunday November 23rd (and again on Dec 7th) and will present their recommendations about any possible “next steps” to Church Council in January 2015.
- Future Staff update. (Cite the Christianity Today survey. typical church ratio of attenders (not members) to staff is 86:1 while CUMC’s ratio is 119:1 (see Rick’s email).
- Christmas Eve Offering (Series: “Heading Home”) all to Missions. GIC offering in 2013 was \$105,000; this year it was \$75,000. Last year’s CE offering was \$17,000; with a little nudge we can equal or exceed last year’s amount.
- How many of us have people we just don’t know what to get them for Christmas? Just 34 days are left! How about Mission Trip Gifts for Christmas? (400 goers in 2015; 250 adults, 150 students).
- Finish up our **YOU DECIDE** series with “YOU DECIDE LIVE!” this Sunday. Everyone will have the opportunity to submit their questions and a panel of distinguished biblical scholars (haha :) will attempt to provide answers.
- w1N wall update: 65 cards have been moved (65 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES! // We exist to help unconnected people **connect** with the saving love of Jesus, together **grow** in full devotion to Him, while freely **sharing** His love with each other and the world.

Thank you all so much for allowing myself, Michelle, and Andrew to be a part of such a loving church family.

**Operations Pastor Report to the
Church Council (October-November 2014)**

We have a very busy fall season and are looking ahead to the Christmas season and an exciting 2015! With the budget for next year approved, all ministries are forging ahead with their plans for an meaningful and Christ-centered Thanksgiving and Christmas. Just a few of the items that have been on my plate this fall include:

1. With approval of the 2015 Church Budget, I have been accepting resumes for the newly established Facilities Manager position. I have a small team from the Trustees who are reviewing the resumes with me, and together we will narrow the field and invite several candidates to interview. Once that process is completed, I will bring a recommendation to SPRC for their discussion, any possible further interviews, and selection. The hope is to have a person in place by January, 2015.
2. I have been working hard to keep the Trustees busy the past couple of months. You will hear from the Trustee Chair, Don Boyer, but let me add that they are an incredible team, and over October and November, they have been instrumental in repairing light ballasts; adding storage for the children's ministry; renovating the Global Outreach wall in the Narthex, and keeping the church busses maintained and operating properly.
3. The Bennington Court/Amick's Ferry Entrance continues to be a significant focus of my time. We did gain Lexington County Council approval to close the road, and now our case goes to the Masters and Equity Court to ask them for final approval to close the road for renovations. We are waiting on a request from SCDOT for a "design exception" in order to obtain permits from them.
4. The Sunday morning Production Team is growing and being cross trained in the many different areas of audio and visual production. We are adding a large number of teens and pre-teens to our team, as they come technologically savvy and frankly teach us more than we teach them.
5. In addition to adding members to the Production Team, we have also been busy upgrading equipment in the A/V booth, including a new sound board, racks, and led lights for both Fusion Center and the Main Sanctuary.
6. The Free Clinic has been "re-launched" at its new location in the old We Care building on highway 76. Immediately, the clinic has seen a dramatic uptick in numbers of people coming for services. Many thanks to Ken Magee and Joe Clement for moving this forward.
7. Looking ahead, we are planning for an outstanding Christmas Season and a 2015 to remember!

I love you all and love this church! Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to partner with you in advancing God's Kingdom in Chapin and throughout the world.

Rick Faulkner
Operations Pastor

Paul

Church Council Meeting – 11/20/2014

- Deaths since September 2014 connected to our church family
(We had 14 deaths connected with our church family five of which were members/attendees)
 1. Dorothy Moody – Donna Tarallo's Mother
 2. James Farley – John Farley's Father
 3. Donna Lewis – Gwin Crump's Sister
 4. Virginia Forbes – Ginny Wolfe's Grandmother
 5. Carrie VanGilder – Jerry Weatherford's Sister
 6. **Mary Carpenter – Ed Carpenter's Mother - MEMBER**
 7. **Joe Hodges – Jean Hodges Husband - MEMBER**
 8. Linda Hyland – Jenny Rawling's Sister
 9. Demetris Collins – Judy Hanshew's Mother
 10. **John Mann – Rachel Mann's Husband - MEMBER**
 11. **George Frederick – Paul Frederick's Father – REGULAR ATTENDEE**
 12. Phyllis Pope – Karen Knox's Mother
 13. **Addison Bostain – Pat Lewandowski's Father – MEMBER**
 14. Paul Knizek – Karl Knizek's Brother

- Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
 1. Sue Richardson – Cancer
 2. Cathy Abrams - Cancer
 3. Baby Leo Bugenske
 4. Tom Mitchell – Diagnosis still incomplete

- “The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ's love are appreciated.

- CUMC's Free Medical Clinic is currently operational at their new location relocated to the old We Care Facility. They are open from 4 – 6 PM every second and fourth Thursday.

- The Thanksgiving Community Worship service will be held at St. John AME church on November 23rd at 6:00 pm.

- The commissioned Stephen Ministers of CUMC have begun to take on some of the responsibilities of hospital visitation. They are representing Chapin Methodist for some surgeries and for hospital visitation three days a week. Carol Weathers is coordinating this effort. I am overseeing this ministry and am actively involved and am still doing hospital visits two days a week and attending surgeries where we feel my presence is more suited. Jody also makes visits where his presence is more suited or needed. Sometimes as you know we both go. It depends on the situation. We are learning and adjusting as we move forward. Due to the size of our congregation we are having to make adjustments to make sure we adequately meet the needs of our people. **Thus far this outreach by our Stephen Ministers is working extremely well and is being well received by our congregation.**

- We began a new ministry called GriefShare in September. It has been well received. We have an average attendance of 14-17 people attending each week. Five of which are from the community. It is a 13 week Lay-Driven ministry for grieving people. It is video guided by leading experts, has a workbook to help guide group discussion and is led by lay people who have dealt with grief first hand.

Tony and Maria Timmerman are leading this new ministry. As many of you know they lost their son Justin two years ago in May due to a drunk driver. He was predeceased by his twin brother. I am also in attendance in a ministerial support role.

- Pastor Jody and I took Holy Communion to our shut-ins at home and in assisted living facilities in September. This is always a great day of sharing for us and our people.
- Please continue to pray for our church families. Issues of life affect us and those in our families we love and hold dear. Christians are not immune from the attacks of Satan. We have to deal with the issues of Finances, Health, Relationships, Addictions, Hurts, Hang-ups, & Habits also.

In His Service along with you,

Paul

Paul, Minister of Congregational Care

Assimilation Pastor – 20 November 2014

In Review

- We have been in a great season of reflection (summer and fall) and preparation (winter and spring).
- We have started a new Sunday morning men's group. The men are excited and passionate about the Gospel and eager to multiply their efforts into several new groups soon.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday mornings.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests and we continue to see new members join and begin serving.
- We received information from a church-wide survey to all members who had joined in the last three years. That information was helpful in thinking through our membership and assimilation process

Looking Ahead

- Our church-wide series, based on the book "I am a Church Member," will be called *The Privilege*.
 - o We will begin the series on Sunday January 25th and it will run for 7 weeks in small groups and Sunday schools.
- I continue to add new folks to our ministry teams
- I continue to meet with and recruit prospective small group leaders
- I continue to meet with new members and members seeking to get involved
- I am working to help create an infographic for our assimilation process. The clearer we can depict church involvement, the more smoothly we'll help folks get involved.

**Director of Contemporary Worship Report to the
Church Council (Oct – Nov) 2014**

Highlights from the past two months:

1. We successfully organized and finished all media elements for the series 'You Decide.'
2. We worked on multiple monitor slides and other media as needed.
3. We successfully introduced many new songs including 'We Are Returning,' and 'Alive.'
4. We began planning for a possible worship on-site event.
5. We began filming for the new series 'Heading Home.'

Things to look forward to:

1. We will be introducing numerous amounts of new songs in the next few months.
2. We begin our new series 'Heading Home.'
3. We are continuing to recruit for our new fourth service.

United Methodist Women's Report
Church Council – CUMC
November 20th, 2014
By: Sandy Haynes, President UMW

As always, the UMW have been busy. The week before the Bazaar was very busy with last minute projects, setting up the Fellowship Hall, pricing and putting out all the "Goodies". The Bazaar was a big success with good food, crafts, treasures, and lots of fellowship! Total income from the Bazaar was \$6,000.00 plus which was split equally between the Missions that the UMW support and the Building Fund of CUMC. Thanks to all the ladies (& men) who worked so hard to make the Bazaar such an awesome and productive event!

The CUMC United Methodist Women hosted this year's SC Conference of UMW - Training Session on Saturday, November 8th, 2014. The Theme for the Training Session was Micah 6:8. After registration, brunch was served and the opening session was held in the Sanctuary. Our own Pastor Jody welcomed our guests and gave a moving devotional on Forgiveness. He was a big hit and some of the ladies wanted to take him home with them. The ladies were lead to their respective classes for training and then enjoyed a great lunch of homemade soup, cornbread, and desserts. Before going home the different Districts held their own meetings while they had their ladies together. It was a long day for our UMW but it was a day blessed with Worship, music, training, food and fellowship. Thanks to all the United Methodist Women who worked so hard for a successful session!