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Unanimous approval

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Other Reports:

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V. New Business

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VI. Old Business

None
VII. Pastor's Report – Jody Flowers (presented by Rick Faulkner)

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Next Church Council Meeting – March 16, 2017

Respectfully submitted by
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CUMC Church Council Agenda – January 19, 2017

Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

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Other Reports

New Business
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Rick Faulkner
Minister of Operations
Pastor’s Church Council Report  
January 19, 2017

1. This past Christmas Season was so special. The Choir’s Musical, Christmas Eve (environment), the Christmas Eve offering for the GO LEO GO Foundation, worship on Christmas Day -- just truly special. (Note: The combined Christmas Eve attendance was more than 2000, and we praise God for that. However, it was down by 25 compared to 2015. Additional parking, the Amicks Ferry Driveway, the new Children’s Building, and a renewed emphasis on investing in and inviting our unchurched neighbors and friends prayerfully will cause us to see an increase in attendance numbers in 2017.)

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II. Review of minutes: from January 19, 2016. No revisions noted and thus

| Unanimous approval |

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We started Confirmation in February and are getting ready to finish this session on March 19. We will have our Confirmation banquet in April.

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We launched our middle school small groups on Sunday Nights. We have been meeting since the beginning of February. The students and leaders have adapted to this new format really well. Students are inviting friends who have not been involved in the fusion in the past.

**Coming Up:**
- Senior Recognition One Night, April 2nd
- 8th Grade Bowling Night, May 22nd
- Summer Kick Off, May 28th
- End of Small Group Season, May 28th
- Journey Camp, June 26th — June 30th

2. **Contemporary Worship — Dustin Serrano (not presented)**

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*Fusion*— I am continuing to help out Hugo with Fusion in whatever way I can. This entails the worship service and any extra fun activities that they might need help with.

3. **Congregational Care — Paul Allen (not presented)**

Deaths since my last report in January connected to our church family (We had 13 deaths connected with our church family including 1 member):

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2. Patty Jean Nelson — Jason Nelson’s Grandmother
3. Virginia Whitlock — Randal Whitlock’s Mother
4. Ruth Melnyk – Maureen Taylor’s Mother
5. Larry Kelly – Michael Stokes’ Father in Law
6. Della Randolph – Kathy Roberts’ Mother
7. Mauzie Augley – Marti Close’s Cousin
8. Ashley Cassell – Kelsey Cassell’s Husband
9. Richard “Dick” Kresge – Michelle Estridge’s Father
10. Susan Hardin – David Hardin’s Mother
12. Lunette Clifton – Kim Phillips’ Grandmother

Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers:
1. Debbie Neubert - Cancer
2. Ben Creed – Cancer
3. Bubba Hughes – Cancer
4. Ron Watson – Cancer
5. Eileen Ott – Fall/Cracked Ribs

• The Stephen Ministers are doing an outstanding job of complimenting hospital visitation. Their efforts are coordinated by Carol Weathers. We currently have 45 commissioned Stephen Ministers.
• “The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated. They just visited and delivered food this past Sunday. They are always looking for some folks to add to their Team. If you might be interested please contact Mary Linda Rye or Betsy Weaver.
• 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 Fourth Sunday Community Service will be held on March 26, 2017 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church beginning @ 6:00 pm. Rev. Patrick Hollohan from Lake Murray Evangelical Church will be delivering the message.
• 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.

4. Children’s Ministry – Natalie McCoy (not presented)

Highlights
• The Grand Opening of the new Children’s Building on Sunday, January 22nd was amazing! We had special giveaways for kids and parents as well as tours of the new building. We are so grateful and excited to be worshipping in our new building!
• The Praise Wave and Wavelets are rehearsing to sing on Palm Sunday, April 9th at both Worship Services.
• Our Sunday Afternoon at the Wave kicked off with a special event on January 29th. Children ages 3 years to 4th Grade meet every Sunday from 4:00-5:30pm and rotate through 3 stations (music, missions and games). We have had 60-80 children each Sunday and approximately 15 Wave Leaders serving each Sunday afternoon.
• The Sunday Afternoon Wave kids made and donated over 65 pillows to residents at the Lowman Home.
• We have been meeting to plan the Palm Sunday Picnic and Easter Egg Hunt to be held after service on April 9. Places and times for the hunts to be held have been established and we will begin sorting and counting eggs as they are donated. We hope to have over 6,000 stuffed eggs this year.

• A security training meeting was held on March 7th and an additional one will be offered on March 20th. Rick Faulkner and I are training Wave Leaders on the procedures to follow in the event of fire, tornado, earthquake or an intruder.

• VBS planning has begun and key rotation leaders are being recruited. VBS this year will be held on June 5-9 and the theme is “Hero Central.”

Future Plans

• 4th Grade Praise Wave students along with some middle and high school students will practice on Sunday afternoons to learn words and motions to VBS songs and then film 3 VBS music videos on April 30th.

• Palm Sunday, Easter and VBS preparation will continue.

• Recruitment of Wave Leaders

5. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVetro (not presented)

In Review
- Winter small groups are a great success.
  o We have around 446 adult participants, the largest number ever for small groups at CUMC.
  - We have successfully initiated ALPHA, with over 60 participants.
    o We are having two retreat Saturdays focused on the Holy Spirit, and have had a tremendous amount of support from our volunteers to ensure a smooth process. We’ve seen a wide range of participants, from strong believers to seekers and everything in between.
    - I’ve made my small group training portable this year; all small group leaders received coffee gift cards intended to a) thank them for their ministry and b) equip them to continue investing in their groups. The goal is leadership development.
  - I’ve updated our follow-up processes for guests, Make the Connection attendees, and new members. We are now tracking involvement with much greater specificity.
  - Make the Connection continues to be a source of excitement as we meet new faces and help new folks get connected.
    o In particular, we are seeing more and more new young families – newlyweds with no children, or infants.
  - We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday morning, making sure all aspects of Sunday worship are staffed, resourced, and supported.
  - We continue to get positive feedback from guests
    o Many new guests are coming for our children’s ministry and the opportunities for growth and mission

Looking Ahead
- I’m working with Michelle Tisdale to create and mail out portable training for all of our Sunday morning First Connection hospitality teams as well.
- Palm Sunday is Sunday April 9th
- Easter is Sunday April 16th.
- I continue to add new folks to our ministry teams, including children’s, sound, first connection, and AV.
The opening of new building space makes this a priority addition.
- I continue to meet new members, potential members, and current leaders in 1-1 settings

6. Facilities Manager – Curt Mitchell (not presented)

The following are highlights of what has been taking place at Chapin United Methodist Church since Facilities last reported out to the Church Council:

1) We have been working with the trustees on multiple projects around campus
   - selling and moving of the portables and access ramps
   - decluttering of our closets and storage areas
   - updating some of our classrooms and hallways with new paint
2) We have been visited by the Lexington County Fire Marshall and are currently working on becoming compliant with all of the requirements for each of our buildings.
3) We have set up and torn down multiple events in the fellowship hall and room 206 to make accommodations for our SALT (Golden Agers), small groups, circles, weddings, funerals, etc.
4) We continue to work weekly on various maintenance projects, and as always, oversee the ordering and stocking of all kitchen and janitorial supplies.

We strive to make CUMC an attractive and appealing environment where all people feel comfortable and welcome. We consider our opportunity to serve the Lord and His people of this congregation a tremendous honor and we look forward to this service on a daily basis.

7. Operations Pastor – Rick Faulkner (not presented)

Several important pieces of information to update Church Council on since our last gathering:

1. Amick’s Ferry Access Driveway: All site work, storm water drainage, detention pond and most grading is complete. Once majority of dirt is moved, driveway and road will be proof-rolled and paved. Completion date is late April. Mett’s Construction will have it ready for use on Easter Sunday 4/16.
2. Easter Weekend: Staff and volunteers are in full prep for our Palm Sunday Easter Egg Eggstravaganza Outreach and our Easter Sunday Services. Mark your calendars for April 9th and 16th. Plan on bringing your friends and family!
3. One Service/Patriotic Celebration: June 25th is the date for our Patriotic Celebration/One Service to be held at Chapin High School. We have a great morning of worship planned, followed by a good old fashioned 4th of July picnic, to include hot dogs, apple pie, a classic car show and a blue grass band playing at lunch.
4. Security Team: Under the leadership of Dave Lawrence, our Security Team is in place and doing a great job of taking care of our congregation and campus. We have had multiple training events, and with over a dozen trained and qualified personnel, they are doing a great job and service to our congregation. In addition, Staff has had training as well.
5. Children’s Building: We have just made our final payment to Contract Construction on the Children’s Building. Final cost was $2,331,581.00. That cost was over $217,000 less than what we had budgeted! All told, John Farley and company finished this project over a month ahead of schedule and less than contracted for by $217,000! When you see John Farley, please thank him for his hard work and generosity on behalf of CUMC!
Other Reports:

1. UMW – Evelyn Anne Neal

- So many opportunities for growth as a strong, Christian, faith-filled woman...age doesn’t matter, race doesn’t matter, religious affiliation does not matter...can be found as an active United Methodist Woman. Opportunities for service as the hands and feet of our Lord Jesus Christ are wide open. Women united in faith and purpose with God as our Father, Jesus as our inspiration, and the Holy Spirit as our guide can be a powerful force for mission service and the promotion of the welfare of women and children. Every United Methodist woman should be an active member of the United Methodist Women, but she must step out in faith to say the words...“I want to be an active member of the UMW. I want to unite with other members to be a powerful force for our Lord and to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus.” Come, join us, and help us to fulfill our purpose.

- On Tuesday, February 21, 2017, ten of us participated in Legislative Day, a state wide UMW event to expose us to the legislative needs of South Carolina affecting education, roads and gas tax, and mass incarceration through misuse of “Zero Tolerance.” Did you know that the legislature plans to abolish the gas tax? They plan to levy a “gas fee” and raise it to fix our roads (...that is a good thing). Maybe then we can direct designated funds toward our schools. When you are informed, you can be a force for good especially where it affects women, children, and youth. God is good.

- On March 18, 5:00-8:00, the UMW will sponsor a good old fashioned Spaghetti Supper to raise funds for Chapin Relay for Life which is on May 5. Cancer has caused us all pain and suffering in some way. This is a chance to push back. Get your tickets from a UMW member.

- Then on March 19, after the 9:00 and 11:15 services, it will be “Happy Birthday, United Methodist Women!” with an old fashioned bake sale complete with homemade goodies for your family. All funds raised will be for the UMW Legacy Fund to ensure the future of the UMW and its mission for the next 150 years! Don’t miss out on these delicious treats!

- Remember the founder of Methodism, John Wesley’s quote...

  “Do all the good you can,
  By all the means you can,
  In all the ways you can,
  In all the places you can,
  At all the times you can,
  To all the people you can, as long as you ever can.”

2. SALT – Albert Cox

In the months of Jan. and Feb. 2017 the Senior Adults of Chapin UMC met in the fellowship hall for fellowship, program and food. March 9, 2017 we traveled to Charlotte, NC to visit the Billy Graham Library. There were thirty or more who went and were blessed with that experience. The history and displays of the life and ministry were and inspiration to all who went. On Thursday, Apr. 6 we met in fellowship hall to hear Rev. Brett DeYoung who is a chaplain with the Hospice Ministry. The Salt
Committee has another great trip planned for the Flat Rock Theatre in Hendersonville, NC. May 11th. June seventh is our annual picnic which will be at the home of Bobby and Jenny Morris. July 18th is our panned trip to the Savannah River Plant. The final item of this report will be the Golden agers celebration on the first Wednesday in August. The program will be “I Remember It Well”

3. Endowment Report – Carl Connelly (not presented)
   - Net income for the year 2016 was $1,376.46. The fund agreement stipulates that twenty five percent or $344.12 is added to the principal book value to be reinvested. Seventy five percent or $1,032.35 is added to the amount available for distribution which now totals $5,718.86
   - Principal book value on January 30, 2017 was $48,780.26 (ending book value for 2016 plus twenty five percent of income for 2016). The principal book value is the total amount invested in the fund.
   - Book value of the fund increased from $47,868.77 on December 31, 2015 to $48,436.14 on December 31, 2016. The increase for the year 2016 is 1.19 percent.
   - Our fund is invested in the United Methodist Foundation Inc. located at 2100 Millwood Avenue, Columbia, SC. It is on the campus of Epworth Children’s Home.
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   - The fund has great potential. It is an opportunity to extend your love for the church beyond your lifetime.

V. New Business

Rick Faulkner presented two fundraiser requests for missions:
   - Sell luminaries for Relay for Life
   - Sell coffee for the Nicaragua Mission trip

Unanimous approval for both

VI. Old Business

None

VII. Pastor’s Report – Jody Flowers

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• The first Revival here in more than 15 years will take place May 7-10. More details are forthcoming, but please be praying and inviting.

• Attendance for the first two months of 2017 is down slightly over the same two months of 2016. This is concerning and at the same time it is motivating. We will continue to pray, study, discuss, listen for the Lord’s voice and do what He says.

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Respectfully submitted by
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CUMC Church Council Agenda – March 16, 2017

Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

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2. Finance Committee: John Sellers
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Board of Trustees
Chapin United Methodist Women, March, 2017

So many opportunities for growth as a strong, Christian, faith-filled woman...age doesn’t matter, race doesn’t matter, religious affiliation does not matter...can be found as an active United Methodist Woman. Opportunities for service as the hands and feet of our Lord Jesus Christ are wide open. Women united in faith and purpose with God as our Father, Jesus as our inspiration, and the Holy Spirit as our guide can be a powerful force for mission service and the promotion of the welfare of women and children. Every United Methodist woman should be an active member of the United Methodist Women, but she must step out in faith to say the words...“I want to be an active member of the UMW. I want to unite with other members to be a powerful force for our Lord and to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus.” Come, join us, and help us to fulfill our purpose.

On Tuesday, February 21, 2017, ten of us participated in Legislative Day, a state wide UMW event to expose us to the legislative needs of South Carolina affecting education, roads and gas tax, and mass incarceration through misuse of “Zero Tolerance.” Did you know that the legislature plans to abolish the gas tax? They plan to levy a “gas fee” and raise it to fix our roads (...that is a good thing). Maybe then we can direct designated funds toward our schools. When you are informed, you can be a force for good especially where it affects women, children, and youth. God is good.

On March 18, 5:00-8:00, the UMW will sponsor a good old fashioned Spaghetti Supper to raise funds for Chapin Relay for Life which is on May 5. Cancer has caused us all pain and suffering in some way. This is a chance to push back. Get your tickets from a UMW member.

Then on March 19, after the 9:00 and 11:15 services, it will be “Happy Birthday, United Methodist Women!” with an old fashioned bake sale complete with homemade goodies for your family. All funds raised will be for the UMW Legacy Fund to ensure the future of the UMW and its mission for the next 150 years! Don’t miss out on these delicious treats!

Remember the founder of Methodism, John Wesley’s quote...

“Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can, as long as you ever can.”

Evelyn Anne Neal, Chapin UMW President
Church Council Meeting – 3/16/2017

- Deaths since my last report in January connected to our church family
  (We had 13 deaths connected with our church family including 1 member)
  1. Doug Cartmell – Doug Cartmell’s Father
  3. Virginia Whitlock – Randal Whitlock’s Mother
  4. Ruth Melnyk – Maureen Taylor’s Mother
  5. Larry Kelly – Michael Stokes’ Father in Law
  6. Della Randolph – Kathy Roberts’ Mother
  7. Mazie Augley – Marti Close’s Cousin
  8. Ashley Cassell – Kelsey Cassell’s Husband
  9. Richard “Dick” Kresge – Michelle Estridge’s Father
  10. Susan Hardin – David Hardin’s Mother
  12. Lunette Clifton – Kim Phillips’ Grandmother

- Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
  1. Debbie Neubert - Cancer
  2. Ben Creed - Cancer
  3. Bubba Hughes - Cancer
  4. Ron Watson - Cancer
  5. Eileen Ott - Fall/Cracked Ribs

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In His Service along with you,

Paul
Minister of Assimilation – 16 March 2017

In Review

- Winter small groups are a great success.
  - We have around 446 adult participants, the largest number ever for small groups at CUMC.
- We have successfully initiated ALPHA, with over 60 participants.
  - We are having two retreat Saturdays focused on the Holy Spirit, and have had a tremendous amount of support from our volunteers to ensure a smooth process. We’ve seen a wide range of participants, from strong believers to seekers and everything in between.
- I’ve made my small group training portable this year; all small group leaders received coffee gift cards intended to a) thank them for their ministry and b) equip them to continue investing in their groups. The goal is leadership development.
- I’ve updated our follow-up processes for guests, Make the Connection attendees, and new members. We are now tracking involvement with much greater specificity.
- Make the Connection continues to be a source of excitement as we meet new faces and help new folks get connected.
  - In particular, we are seeing more and more new young families – newlyweds with no children, or infants.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday morning, making sure all aspects of Sunday worship are staffed, resourced, and supported.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests
  - Many new guests are coming for our children’s ministry and the opportunities for growth and mission

Looking Ahead

- I’m working with Michelle Tisdale to create and mail out portable training for all of our Sunday morning First Connection hospitality teams as well.
- Palm Sunday is Sunday April 9th
- Easter is Sunday April 16th.
- I continue to add new folks to our ministry teams, including children’s, sound, first connection, and AV.
  - The opening of new building space makes this a priority addition.
- I continue to meet new members, potential members, and current leaders in 1-1 settings
WAVE MINISTRY REPORT
March 2017

Highlights

• The Grand Opening of the new Children’s Building on Sunday, January 22\textsuperscript{nd} was amazing! We had special giveaways for kids and parents as well as tours of the new building. We are so grateful and excited to be worshipping in our new building!

• The Praise Wave and Wavelets are rehearsing to sing on Palm Sunday, April 9\textsuperscript{th} at both Worship Services.

• Our Sunday Afternoon at the Wave kicked off with a special event on January 29\textsuperscript{th}. Children ages 3 years to 4\textsuperscript{th} Grade meet every Sunday from 4:00-5:30pm and rotate through 3 stations (music, missions and games). We have had 60-80 children each Sunday and approximately 15 Wave Leaders serving each Sunday afternoon.

• The Sunday Afternoon Wave kids made and donated over 65 pillows to residents at the Lowman Home.

• We have been meeting to plan the Palm Sunday Picnic and Easter Egg Hunt to be held after service on April 9. Places and times for the hunts to be held have been established and we will begin sorting and counting eggs as they are donated. We hope to have over 6,000 stuffed eggs this year.

• A security training meeting was held on March 7\textsuperscript{th} and an additional one will be offered on March 20\textsuperscript{th}. Rick Faulkner and I are training Wave Leaders on the procedures to follow in the event of fire, tornado, earthquake or an intruder.

• VBS planning has begun and key rotation leaders are being recruited. VBS this year will be held on June 5-9 and the theme is “Hero Central.”

Future Plans

• 4\textsuperscript{th} Grade Praise Wave students along with some middle and high school students will practice on Sunday afternoons to learn words and motions to VBS songs and then film 3 VBS music videos on April 30\textsuperscript{th}.

• Palm Sunday, Easter and VBS preparation will continue.

• Recruitment of Wave Leaders
**Fusion One Nights**

We have had 2 Night gatherings. After all of the transition and the change we are averaging about 40 students in attendance, which is a good place for us to be right now. We are making plans to finish this school year strong and for our re-launch at the beginning of the next school year in August.

**Confirmation**

We started Confirmation in February and are getting ready to finish this session on March 19. We will have our Confirmation banquet in April.

**Small Groups**

We launched our middle school small groups on Sunday Nights. We have been meeting since the beginning of February. The students and leaders have adapted to this new format really well. Students are inviting friends who have not been involved in the fusion in the past.

**Coming Up**

We have several events coming up over the next few months:

- **Senior Recognition One Night, April 2**
- **8th Grade Bowling Night, May 22**
- **Summer Kick Off, May 28**
- **End of Small Group Season, May 28**
- **Journey Camp, June 26 – June 30**
Adding new musicians- One of my goals for this year is to have at least 4 committed musicians on each instrument so we have been promoting that on social media and also announcement slides. It has worked and we have had several people interested in joining the team. So I have been meeting and auditioning a few musicians to get them ready to serve on the team!

Sermon series prep and easter- I have spent a lot of creative time with caroline and Jody brainstorming sermon series creative elements and also preparing for easter.

New audio equipment- something that has been needed for a while is a speaker upgrade in the fusion center so after working for months with a new audio company we finally got a quote and hopefully those should be installed soon. It should be a noticably better audio quality difference.

Fusion- I am continuing to help out Hugo with Fusion in whatever way I can. This entails the worship service and any extra fun activities that they might need help with.
TO: CUMC CHURCH COUNCIL

REFERENCE: STATUS REPORT

Net income for the year 2016 was $1,376.46. The fund agreement stipulates that twenty five percent or $344.12 is added to the principal book value to be reinvested. Seventy five percent or $1,032.35 is added to the amount available for distribution which now totals $5,718.86

Principal book value on January 30, 2017 was $48,780.26 (ending book value for 2016 plus twenty five percent of income for 2016). The principal book value is the total amount invested in the fund.

Book value of the fund increased from $47,868.77 on December 31, 2015 to $48,436.14 on December 31, 2016. The increase for the year 2016 is 1.19 percent.

Our fund is invested in the United Methodist Foundation Inc. located at 2100 Millwood Avenue, Columbia, SC. It is on the campus of Epworth Children’s Home.

The numbers above were extracted from the December 31, 2015 quarterly report and a January 30, 2017 letter received from the UMC Foundation. Copies of the reports are available upon request.

The fund has great potential. It is an opportunity to extend your love for the church beyond your lifetime.

Carl Connelly, Chairman
Permanent Endowment Committee
Facilities Report to the
Church Council (January-February)

The following are highlights of what has been taking place at Chapin United Methodist Church since Facilities last reported out to the Church Council:

1) We have been working with the trustees on multiple projects around campus
   - selling and moving of the portables and access ramps
   - decluttering of our closets and storage areas
   - updating some of our classrooms and hallways with new paint
2) We have been visited by the Lexington County Fire Marshall and are currently working on becoming compliant with all of the requirements for each of our buildings.
3) We have set up and torn down multiple events in the fellowship hall and room 206 to make accommodations for our SALT (Golden Agers), small groups, circles, weddings, funerals, etc.
4) We continue to work weekly on various maintenance projects, and as always, oversee the ordering and stocking of all kitchen and janitorial supplies.

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Curt Mitchell
Facilities Manager
Operations Report to the
Church Council (Feb-Mar 17)

Several important pieces of information to update Church Council on since our last gathering:

1. **Amick’s Ferry Access Driveway**: All site work, storm water drainage, detention pond and most grading is complete. Once majority of dirt is moved, driveway and road will be proofrolled and paved. Completion date is late April. Mett’s Construction will have it ready for use on Easter Sunday 4/16.

2. **Easter Weekend**: Staff and volunteers are in full prep for our Palm Sunday Easter Egg Eggstravaganza Outreach and our Easter Sunday Services. Mark your calendars for April 9th and 16th. Plan on bringing your friends and family!

3. **One Service/Patriotic Celebration**: June 25th is the date for our Patriotic Celebration/One Service to be held at Chapin High School. We have a great morning of worship planned, followed by a good old fashioned 4th of July picnic, to include hot dogs, apple pie, a classic car show and a blue grass band playing at lunch.

4. **Security Team**: Under the leadership of Dave Lawrence, our Security Team is in place and doing a great job of taking care of our congregation and campus. We have had multiple training events, and with over a dozen trained and qualified personnel, they are doing a great job and service to our congregation. In addition, Staff has had training as well.

5. **Children’s Building**: We have just made our final payment to Contract Construction on the Children’s Building. Final cost was $2,331,581.00. That cost was over $217,000 less than what we had budgeted! All told, John Farley and company finished this project over a month ahead of schedule and less than contracted for by $217,000! When you see John Farley, please thank him for his hard work and generosity on behalf of CUMC!

Rick Faulkner
Minister of Operations
Church Council  
March 16, 2017

Jody Flowers

- The first two weeks of our EMPOWERED series has been impactful and fruitful. Chris DiVietro will be preaching this Sunday, so it promises to be a great day of worship. (This series will take us up to Easter.)

- More than 400m CUMCers committed to read through the bible in 2017, and it’s been great to hear some of the conversations centered around God’s Word. Consistently spending time in the Word radically changes our lives … so I’m really excited about what God is doing.

- The CUMC volunteers and staff continue to amaze me. This past Sunday, in snow and 29 degrees, our parking team was out on their posts doing their thing for their King – that’s a huge reason why God is doing what He’s doing here. I say without reservation, we have some of the most committed, passionate people in the world who love Jesus and love the mission He has given CUMC. And, a quick word on Hugo Muraco. Our “new” Student Minister has gotten off to a great start, and I am so proud of the way he is leading. His faith is authentic and passionate, his grasp of what student ministry should be about is biblical and winsome, his love for Jesus and for students is real and contagious.

- The UMM Retreat was held last month at Christ UMC in Myrtle Beach, and 12 men from CUMC attended. The teaching, worship, and fellowship were all outstanding.

- The Bishop’s Forward Focus will be held on Saturday, April 8, from 9-12noon at Shandon UMC Columbia.

- Easter is just around the corner (April 16), be on the lookout for a schedule of events. Please be praying and inviting TRUST GOD AND TRY SOMETHING).

- The first Revival here in more than 15 years will take place May 7-10. More details are forthcoming, but please be praying and inviting.

- Attendance for the first two months of 2017 is down slightly over the same two months of 2016. This is concerning and at the same time it is motivating. We will continue to pray, study, discuss, listen for the Lord’s voice and do what He says.

- **WIN Wall Update**: 106 cards have been moved (106 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES! // We exist to help 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. Please continue to pray for, invest in, and invite to church those you know and love who need the love of the Savior.

Thank you all so much for allowing Michelle and myself the privilege of being a part of such a loving and generous church family.
Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy gave a devotional based on Mark 10:13-16. Our children are vital and are like the ocean and sands while we adults provide the boundaries.

II. Review of minutes: from March 16, 2017. No revisions noted and thus

Unanimous approval

III. Standing Reports:

1. Treasurers Report – Rick Faulkner
   - All bills paid as usual
   - $55,000 ahead of budget
   - Construction loan converted to loan to begin payments

2. Lay Leader – Joe Bouknight
   Once again, our laity have been very active in every aspect of our church since the last Council meeting. Some highlights follow:
   - Easter was a busy time with many activities on Good Friday (communion), Palm Sunday (lunch and Easter Egg Hunt), and Easter sunrise and regular services. My favorite highlight was Palm Sunday
when laity put gift bags on every car in the parking lots during the 11:15 service. It looked like an ant farm with people of all ages scurrying over our many parking lots.

• Our Awakening Revival was a huge success and included lots of support from laity in preparation and execution with activities ranging from ushering to music.

• We have a number of Lay Speakers who regularly deliver messages at CUMC and other locations. Sharon Allen preached our sunrise service at CUMC. Eldon Armstrong, Jerry Rye, Larry Killian, and I delivered Sunday services at nursing homes and other locations recently.

• Our Stephen Ministry program actively involves over 40 of our laity in various ministries including hospital visitation.

• And our programs for children and youth as well as our preschool and mother’s morning out programs have been in full swing.

• UMW held a very successful garage sale – the fellowship hall, the hallway, the patio and every other square inch of space was full of donated goods. That project required a tremendous amount of laity support.

Looking forward, summer is just around the corner. That means preparations are under way for VBS. GIC is coming. Laity Sunday will be July 9 so please let me know if you would like to be part of our worship services.

3. Missions: presented by Rick Faulkner

The following are highlights of what has taken place in the Missions Ministry since the GO Team last reported out to the Church Council:

1. Over Spring Break, twenty-eight adults and youth from Chapin UMC participated in a 7-day mission trip to Guatemala. The group constructed 450 square foot houses for two very deserving families and held a vacation bible school for community kids. However, the major focus of the Chapin group was witnessing, praying and loving on families in the Town of San Raymundo where their work projects were located. The participants experienced the overwhelming blessing of giving keys to a new house to the grateful families. Jan Mayo provided outstanding trip leadership for this group.

2. A Global Impact Celebration (GIC) Team has finalized most of the details for our annual Mission Ministry Global Impact Celebration (GIC). The theme for this year’s conference is “Saved to Serve”. The dates are September 28 – October 1, 2017. Our featured speaker is Todd Phillips, pastor and author of GET UNCOMFORTABLE & The Last Well. The GIC this year will be preceded by a Get Uncomfortable Week/Impact Poverty Challenge. Mignon Fowler is providing overall leadership for the GIC.

3. Four individuals from Chapin UMC recently returned from a 12-day scoping trip to the Mully Children’s Family (MCF) in Kenya. The team’s major goal was to assess the potential for our Church to partner with MCF and they also explored the possibility of sending mission teams to Kenya.

4. Looking ahead to a Summer of GOERS with following mission trips:
   • Lead 222, Cabo, Mexico youth trip lead by Steve Wheaton and Natalie McCoy
   • Christ for the City, Nicaragua trip lead Doctor James & Jan Hunter
   • Camp Brittney, Costa Rica lead by Alyson and Jamie Jester
   • Appalachian Service Project (ASP), Tennessee lead by David Van Wey
   • Salkehatchie Summer Camps, South Carolina with leadership by John Nesbitt
   • Faithful Servants Mission, Costa Rica lead by John & Carson Chitty
4. Trustees – Clay Shelton (not presented)

1. Access road surfacing delayed due to dirt removal issues. Also permitting issues with bus shed concerning fire hydrant, options being pursued.
2. All items required to satisfy Fire Marshall inspection should be complete as of this week.
3. Auto door opener is scheduled to be installed within next week.
4. Security locks are being installed in children's wing to allow for lockdown in case of emergency
5. Work has begun on resurfacing of parsonage and the addition of a screened porch.

5. Staff Pastor Parrish – Thomas Gore (not presented)

- SPRC has worked to find a replacement for the Assimilation Minister position. Resumes were reviewed and finalists were interviewed via phone by select committee members. Those recommended to move forward were then interviewed through a Skype web conference by the selected interview team. After additional deliberation and recommendations by the team, Marcy Kenny was recommended for an onsite interview.
- Marcy Kenny joined us the weekend of May 5th-7th for an onsite visit and interview. Marcy spent the weekend in Chapin meeting everyone and seeing the area. SPRC interviewed Marcy on Sunday followed by a staff interview. After further collaboration, SPRC and staff recommended to offer Marcy the position, which she accepted. A start date is set for June 15th.

IV. Staff Reports:

1. Student Ministry – Hugo Muraco

Fusion One Nights:
Our Fusion One nights are done for the season. We did not meet in the month of May because our Awakening event was happening during the regular Fusion One Night meeting date. Our students were encouraged to be a part of the Awakening services instead. We have one more large group gathering to kick off the summer and then we will move into our summer schedule.

Summer Schedule:
Over the summer we have activities that include, hiking trips, baseball game, beach day, Journey Summer Camp, and more. These events are scattered throughout the months of June, July, and August.

Small Groups:
Our small groups will be wrapping up over the next couple of weeks. With students finishing the school year and families going on vacation it is best for our small groups to take a summer break. Leaders are encouraged to stay connected with their students through texts, social media, and if possible through our summer events.

Coming Up:
We have several events coming up over the next few months:
2. **Contemporary Worship – Dustin Serrano**

Adding new musicians - We’ve added 5 new musicians in the past two months. I have been meeting with each of them regularly to get to know them better and work with them musically to show them how our worship team does things. They have been great additions to the team.

Stage set up Crew - We have revived the old Setup crew for the pipe and drapes and lights. I have been meeting and working with several of those volunteers to strategize how to setup most efficiently. I have also been recruiting new volunteers for that.

Revival Services - I have spent the last month planning and organizing several things with Jody and the worship team. And in the past week poured a lot of time and effort into the Revival services. I believe it was a very powerful and fruitful week for our church.

3. **Congregational Care – Paul Allen**

Deaths since my last report in January connected to our church family (We had 13 deaths connected with our church family including 3 members):

1. Veina McCarthy – William McCarthy’s Mother
2. Bubba Hughes – Hester Hughes Husband
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4. Jean Durden – Jeff Roger’s Grandmother
5. Connie Cutler – Marilyn Adamson’s Sister
6. Jamie Leventis – Cindy Lanier’s Nephew
7. Janet Adams – Vicki Smith’s Aunt
8. Brad Armfield – Steve & Teala Armfield’s Son
9. Libbie Mann Shealy – Rachel Mann’s Daughter
10. Vivanne Pack – Chris Arthur’s Mother
11. Houston Morris – Jeff Morris’s Father
12. Davis Cripe – Sean & Heidi Cripe’s Son
13. Carolyn Whitener – Charles Whitener’s Sister
14. Alan Broadwell – Melonie Broadwell’s Husband
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16. Sara Ruczko-Bell – Rick Ruczko’s Mother

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4. Children’s Ministry – Natalie McCoy

Highlights
- The Praise Wave and Wavelets waved palms and sang on Palm Sunday at both Worship Services.
- The Palm Sunday Picnic and Easter Egg Hunts were a huge success. Thanks to generous donations from our members, we had over 6500 eggs for the children to “hunt.” The children found their designated number of eggs and then went to the prize table to receive a Wave yoyo or duck water bottle.
- The Wave Ministry continues to grow as we welcome new families into our church. On April 9, we had highest children’s attendance ever at 467!
- During the mission’s rotation on Sunday Afternoons at the Wave, the children counted, stuffed and stapled 500 bags to be placed on cars as a way to invite others to attend on Easter Sunday.
- On Easter Sunday, 11 children gave their lives to Christ during our Kids Worship service! Praises to God!
- The Slugs and Bugs outreach family concert on April 23rd was a huge success! The families had a great time singing and praising Jesus through music and dance! We had over 300 in attendance. We estimate that half of those attending were not CUMC church members! Our amazing volunteers handed out invitations to VBS and by the next day we had over 20 new registrations!
- Vacation Bible School will be held on June 5-9 and the theme is “Hero Central.” We are in the midst of planning and registering volunteers and children. We expect to have close to 300 children in attendance. It is going to be a great week of catching “the wave” of God’s amazing love! We will again take our VBS on several of our international mission trips (Mexico and Costa Rica).
- Several of our 4th graders, along with some middle and high school students, rehearsed and filmed 3 VBS music videos at the end of April. These videos will be used during VBS week. A special thank you to Courtney Dox for filming and editing the videos!
Future Plans

- Continue planning and preparation for Vacation Bible School.
- Planning for fall programs for Sunday afternoon.
- Recruitment of 11:15 nursery Wave Leaders continues.

5. Assimilation Pastor – Chris DiVetro (not presented)

In Review
- ALPHA concluded as a great success, with over 60 guests and much potential for the future
- Palm Sunday and Easter were also major successes.
  - We had many guests visit on Palm Sunday, and the best Easter service I can remember
  - Our follow-up plan from Palm Sunday to Easter to Slugs and Bugs
- I’ve worked with Michelle Tisdale to create a series of training elements for our First Connection volunteers based off of Dale Carnegie’s “How to Win Friends and Influence People.” Those should start going out in the next two weeks.
- Michelle has also helped us update our campus map and our interior signage
- Dee Dee Simmons has helped us update our exterior signage
- Make the Connection continues to be a source of excitement as we meet new faces and help new folks get connected.
  - In particular, we are seeing more and more new young families — newlyweds with no children, or infants.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday morning, making sure all aspects of Sunday worship are staffed, resourced, and supported.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests
  - Many new guests are coming for our children’s ministry and the opportunities for growth and mission
- I’ve constructed a “Transition File” and have had conversations with Marcy Kenny via email and FaceTime to help ensure a smooth transition.

Looking Ahead
- I’ve passed files along to Rick and Caroline to ensure our teams are mobilized for One Church
- I’ll continue to be available to Marcy and to answer any questions she has.
- I’m meeting with some of my closest leaders to ensure they are prepared to help Marcy hit the ground running when she arrives.
- I continue to add new folks to our ministry teams, including children’s, sound, first connection, and AV.
  - The opening of new building space makes this a priority addition.

6. Facilities Manager – Curt Mitchell

The following are highlights of what has been taking place at Chapin United Methodist Church since Facilities last reported out to the Church Council:
- We are still working on our compliance issues with the Lexington County Fire Marshal. We will have all five annual inspection reports completed and in-hand for our next scheduled meeting with him on May 30th.
- We coordinated with the County of Lexington to host an electronic recycling day here on campus which took place on April 8th.
• We assisted with several other ministries on the preparation and execution of all the events that pertained to the Palm Sunday Eggstravaganza and our Easter services.
• We have set up and torn down multiple events in the fellowship hall and room 206 to make accommodations for our SALT (Golden Agers), UMW, small groups, circles, weddings, funerals, etc.
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7. Operations Pastor – Rick Faulkner

Several important pieces of information to update Church Council on since our last gathering:

1. Amick’s Ferry Access Driveway: Project is incomplete. Driveway and road cannot be paved until all dirt on site is hauled off, which the contractor is working on. Engineers are working with contractor to expedite completion. I can’t provide a completion date as of this report.
2. Staffing: In partnership with SPRC, we are currently searching for a new Assimilation Minister and a Contemporary Worship Director. We have narrowed down the resumes considerably and hope to have a new Assimilation Minister by the end of May and a new Contemporary Worship Director by the end of June.
3. One Service/Patriotic Celebration: June 25th is the date for our Patriotic Celebration/One Service to be held at Chapin High School. We have a great morning of worship planned, followed by a good old fashioned 4th of July picnic, to include hot dogs, apple pie, a classic car show and a bluegrass band playing at lunch.
4. Global Outreach Policy: The GO Team has just completed a complete revision of the current Global Outreach Policy. This document streamlines the previous version and clarifies CUMC’s strategy for reaching people with the gospel through Missions. It is being placed in Church Council’s hands for their mandatory review with planned discussion and vote at the July Council Meeting.

We have an exciting and full summer ahead of us! VBS, Missions Trips, and Summer Camps. That and all of the every day, every week worship and discipleship opportunities at CUMC make for a great summer. As always, it is a joy and privilege to serve in ministry with the amazing people of this church. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of your lives for the glory of God’s name.

8. Transit Ministry – Emily Wheaton (not presented)

We have had lots of visitors this month in Transit and have been using some new strategies to get them excited about reading their Bible and learn about Jesus. We are filling our room every Sunday.

Plans are in full swing for our mission trip to Orlando this summer. We have 14 students registered and 4 adults for our 2nd Transit mission trip.
We have some fun events planned for the summer!

Other Reports:

1. **Status and Role of Women – Becky McCormack**

   Women in the Pulpit Sunday will be June 11, 2017. Our speaker will be Judi Gatson. Judi is an evening anchor for WIS-TV in Columbia. Judi will speak live at the 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service and rebroadcast the 11:15 Contemporary Service.

   Judi is passionate about encouraging everyone she meets to embrace God’s plans and purpose for their lives. Judi’s desire is to believe, receive & cultivate every dream God has placed in her heart. I have heard Judi speak several times and I always leave feeling inspired and uplifted.

V. **New Business**

   Rick Faulkner provided copies of revised GO Policy and asked Council to review the revisions and present any questions for discussion at the next Council meeting.

VI. **Old Business**

   None

VII. **Pastor’s Report – Jody Flowers**

   • This past Easter Season was so special. Note: The combined attendance (Sunrise, and the 4 morning services) was more than 2300, up by 70 over Easter 2016 and we praise God for that. The additional parking, the Amicks Ferry Driveway (which is usable and nearing completion), the new Children’s Building, along with a renewed emphasis on investing in and inviting our unchurched neighbors and friends will prayerfully cause us to see a continued increase in attendance numbers in 2017.

   • Our AWAKENING 2017 revival services May 7-10 were great times of worship and renewal. The music and the messages were great every night, and we’re praying for lasting spiritual fruit to continue to be produced over the coming months. Will we hold services like these again soon? We’re praying about that possibility; it depends largely upon what we see transpire (as a result of AWAKENING 2017) as 2017 plays out (changed lives, increased worship attendance, more unconnected people being connected with Jesus’ saving love, etc.).

   • CUMC’s CELEBRATE AMERICA patriotic musical will be held this year at Chapin High School’s Arena on Sunday, June 25 at 10:20 AM. This promises to be a great time of worship of Almighty God as we thank Him for the freedoms we enjoy and look to Him for direction and guidance as a nation. Free food, Bluegrass music, a classic car show ... this is the perfect event to invite all of your unchurched family, friends, and neighbors to, so let’s fill up the CHS Arena!

   • Here’s a shout out to some truly special CUMC volunteers (servant ministers). Families like the Cole Family bless and inspire me so. Rich and Ann have two children, Jessica (18) and Connor (15). The lives
they all live exemplify a love for Jesus and a commitment to Jesus that accentuate the fact that they seek first the kingdom of God!

• W1N Wall Update: 108 cards have been moved (108 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES!
// We exist to help 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. Please continue to pray for, invest in, and invite to church those you know and love who need the love of the Savior.

• Michelle and I are so grateful for the opportunity to serve our Amazing God with you and this loving church family. Thank you!

Next Church Council Meeting – July 20, 2017

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Gainey
CUMC Church Council Agenda – May 18, 2017

Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

Standing Reports

1. Lay Leader: Joe Bouknight
2. Trustees: Clay Shelton

Staff Reports

1. Student Ministry – Hugo Muraco
2. Contemporary Worship – Dustin Serrano
3. Congregational Care: Paul Allen
4. Children’s Ministry: Natalie McCoy
5. Facilities: Curt Mitchell
6. Treasurer’s/Operations/Missions/Finance: Rick Faulkner

Other Reports

1. Status and Role of Women – Becky McCormack

New Business

• Missions/GO Policy Revision

Old Business

Pastor’s Report
**Fusion One Nights**

Our Fusion One nights are done for the season. We did not meet in the month of May because our Awakening event was happening during the regular Fusion One Night meeting date. Our students were encouraged to be a part of the Awakening services instead. We have one more big group gathering to kick off the summer and then we will move into our summer schedule.

**Summer Schedule**

Over the summer we have activities that include, hiking trips, baseball game, beach day, Journey Summer Camp, and more. These events are scattered through out the months of June, July, and August.

**Small Groups**

Our small groups will be wrapping up over the next couple of weeks. With students finishing the school year and families going on vacation it is best for our small groups to take a summer break. Leaders are encouraged to stay connected with their students through texts, social media, and if possible through our summer events.

**Coming Up**

We have several events coming up over the next few months:

- **8th Grade Bowling Night**, May 22nd
- **Summer Kick Off**, May 28th
- **End of Small Group Season**, May 28th
- **Journey Camp**, June 26th – June 30th
Transit Student Ministry
Council on Ministries Report
April 2017

We have had lots of visitors this month in Transit and have been using some new strategies to get them excited about reading their Bible and learn about Jesus. We are filling our room every Sunday.

Plans are in full swing for our mission trip to Orlando this summer. We have 14 students registered and 4 adults for our 2nd Transit mission trip.

We have some fun events planned for the summer!
Adding new musicians- We've added 5 new musicians in the past two months. I have been meeting with each of them regularly to get to know them better and work with them musically to show them how our worship team does things. They have been great additions to the team.

Stage set up Crew- We have revived the old Setup crew for the pipe and drapes and lights. I have been meeting and working with several of those volunteers to strategize how to setup most efficiently. I have also been recruiting new volunteers for that.

Revival Services- I have spent the last month planning and organizing several things with Jody and the worship team. And in the past week poured a lot of time and effort into the Revival services. I believe it was a very powerful and fruitful week for our church.
Church Council Meeting – 5/18/2017

• Deaths since my last report in January connected to our church family
  (We had 16 deaths connected with our church family **including 3 members**)
    1. Velna McCarthy – William McCarthy’s Mother
    2. **Bubba Hughes – Hester Hughes Husband**
    3. Stanley Hewins – Gail Schreck’s Brother
    4. Jean Durden – Jeff Roger’s Grandmother
    5. Connie Cutler – Marilyn Adamson’s Sister
    6. Jamie Leventis – Cindy Lanier’s Nephew
    7. Janet Adams – Vicki Smith’s Aunt
    8. Brad Armfield – Steve & Teala Armfield’s Son
    9. Libbie Mann Shealy – Rachel Mann’s Daughter
   10. Vivanne Pack – Chris Arthur’s Mother
   11. Houston Morris – Jeff Morris’s Father
   12. **Davis Cripe – Sean & Heidi Cripe’s Son**
   13. Carolyn Whitener – Charles Whitener’s Sister
   14. **Alan Broadwell – Melonie Broadwell’s Husband**
   15. Johnny Yenny – Matt Cockrell’s Grandfather
   16. Sara Ruczko-Bell – Rick Ruczko’s Mother

• Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
  1. Kyle Veronne – Auto Accident
  2. Ben Creed – Cancer
  3. Ron Watson – Cancer
  4. Davis Cripe, Alan Broadwell and Brad Armfield Families

• The Stephen Ministers are doing an outstanding job of complimenting hospital visitation. Their efforts are coordinated by Carol Weathers. We currently have 45 commissioned Stephen Ministers.

• “The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated. They will be visiting and delivering food Sunday 5/21/2017. **They are always looking for some folks to add to their Team. If you might be interested please contact Mary Linda Rye or Betsy Weaver.**

• 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 Fourth Sunday Community Service will be held on May 28, 2017 at Lake Murray Evangelical Church beginning @ 6:00 pm. Rev. Kevin Sheppard from Mt. Zion Baptist Church will be delivering the message.

• 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
Highlights

- The Praise Wave and Wavelets waved palms and sang on Palm Sunday at both Worship Services.
- The Palm Sunday Picnic and Easter Egg Hunts were a huge success. Thanks to generous donations from our members, we had over 6500 eggs for the children to “hunt.” The children found their designated number of eggs and then went to the prize table to receive a Wave yoyo or duck water bottle.
- The Wave Ministry continues to grow as we welcome new families into our church. On April 9, we had highest children’s attendance ever at 467!
- During the mission’s rotation on Sunday Afternoons at the Wave, the children counted, stuffed and stapled 500 bags to be placed on cars as a way to invite others to attend on Easter Sunday.
- On Easter Sunday, 11 children gave their lives to Christ during our Kids Worship service! Praises to God!
- Vacation Bible School will be held on June 5-9 and the theme is “Hero Central.” We are in the midst of planning and registering volunteers and children. We expect to have close to 300 children in attendance. It is going to be a great week of catching “the wave” of God’s amazing love! We will again take our VBS on several of our international mission trips (Mexico and Costa Rica).
- Several of our 4th graders, along with some middle and high school students, rehearsed and filmed 3 VBS music videos at the end of April. These videos will be used during VBS week. A special thank you to Courtney Dox for filming and editing the videos!

Future Plans

- Continue planning and preparation for Vacation Bible School.
- Planning for fall programs for Sunday afternoon.
- Recruitment of 11:15 nursery Wave Leaders continues.
Facilities Report to the
Church Council (March-April)

The following are highlights of what has been taking place at Chapin United Methodist Church since Facilities last reported out to the Church Council:

1) We are still working on our compliance issues with the Lexington County Fire Marshal. We will have all five annual inspection reports completed and in-hand for our next scheduled meeting with him on May 30th.

2) We coordinated with the County of Lexington to host an electronic recycling day here on campus which took place on April 8th.

3) We assisted with several other ministries on the preparation and execution of all the events that pertained to the Palm Sunday Eggstravaganza and our Easter services.

4) We have set up and torn down multiple events in the fellowship hall and room 206 to make accommodations for our SALT (Golden Agers), UMW, small groups, circles, weddings, funerals, etc.

5) We continue to work weekly on various maintenance projects, and as always, oversee the ordering and stocking of all kitchen and janitorial supplies.

We strive to make CUMC an attractive and appealing environment where all people feel comfortable and welcome. We consider our opportunity to serve the Lord and His people of this congregation a tremendous honor and we look forward to this service on a daily basis.

Curt Mitchell
Facilities Manager
CHAPIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH GENERAL FUND
4/30/2017

**ASSETS**

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**Total Other**                            | 135,349.00| 35,722.15 | 41,429.64 | 52,097.30 | 68.49%  |

**F01-04,06-19,22-24**                      | 200,123.00| 0.00       | 50,030.75  | 150,092.25 | 75.00%  |

**Total Expenditures**                     | 202,262.00| 39,444.15 | 81,458.39  | 132,803.61 | 45.08%  |

**Unbudgeted Expenses**                   | 132,803.61| 32,072.89 | 1,986.74   |            |         |

**Total**                                  | 333,064.00| 71,517.15 | 83,445.15  | 249,618.85 | 74.08%  |
## CHAPIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### BUILDING FUND

**ASSETS**
- Building Fund checking: 455,403.49
- Certificates of Deposit: 0.00

*Total Cash Assets: 455,403.49*

**LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE**
- Liabilities: 0.00
- Beginning balance: 465,024.68
- Certificate of Deposit interest: 0.00
- Current surplus or deficit: -9,621.19

*Total Liabilities & Fund balance: 455,403.49*

### CONSTRUCTION FUND REPORT

**ASSETS**
- Completed phases including const cost interest
  - I-Fellowship Hall, II-SS renovations & Admin Bldg,
  - III-Sanctuary, IV-Fusion Center, V-Land purchase
  - VI-Classroom renovations: 13,700,047.23
- Open phases
  - Bank fees-deposit slips: 0.00
  - Phase VII - Driveway: 220,529.26
  - Phase VIII - Expansion/Parking: 1,568,324.61
  - Phase VIII - Interest (incl. In const cost): 67,597.76

*Total Construction Assets: 15,556,498.86*

**LIABILITIES**
- Sanctuary Loan Phase III: 5941265.37
- Principal paid to date Phase III: 2545265.37
- Loan balance Phase III: 3,396,000.00
- Loan draw Phase VIII: 2,752,337.20
- Principal paid to date Phase VIII: 0.00
- Loan balance Phase VIII: 2,752,337.20
- Building fund balance: 9,408,161.66

*Total Liabilities & Building Fund Balance: 15,556,498.86*
### CHAPIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**April 30, 2017**

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| Expenditures                          |                |              |                 |
| F- Const. Loan Interest               |                |              |                 |
| F03 Phase III - Operating Cost       | $10,876.45     | $42,813.24   | $2,018,629.58   |
| F08 Construction Cost                | $8,549.63      | $32,858.55   | $67,597.76      |
| F08 Operating Cost                   | $0.00          | $0.00        |                 |
| **Total**                             | **$19,426.08** | **$75,671.79**| **$2,086,227.34**|
| G-Const. Loan Principal              |                |              |                 |
| G03 Phase III                        | $19,000.00     | $78,000.00   | $3,217,265.37   |
| G08 Operating Cost                   | $0.00          |              |                 |
| **Total**                             | **$19,000.00** | **$78,000.00**| **$3,217,265.37**|
| H-Bank Account Fees                   |                |              |                 |
| H01                                   | $0.00          | $0.00        | $127.62         |
| **Total**                             | **$0.00**      | **$0.00**    | **$127.62**     |
| M-Phase VII-Driveway                  |                |              |                 |
| M01 Fundraising                       | $0.00          | $0.00        | $0.00           |
| M02 Engineering                       | $2,468.00      | $9,165.00    | $44,078.00      |
| M03 Construction                      | $22,419.00     | $151,075.94  | $151,075.94     |
| M04 Contingency                       | $0.00          | $0.00        | $25,375.32      |
| **Total**                             | **$24,887.00** | **$160,240.94**| **$220,529.26**|
| N00 Phase VIII - EXPANSION            |                |              |                 |
| N01 Fundraising                       | $0.00          |              | $22,966.86      |
| N02 Engineering                       | $0.00          | $0.00        | $30,801.75      |
| N03 Architectual                      | $3,405.22      |              | $295,551.92     |
| N04 Construction                      | $13,819.97     |              | $163,986.52     |
| N05 Furnishings                      | $13,093.45     |              | $173,877.80     |
| N06 Contingency                       | $0.00          |              | $5,853.37       |
| N07 Land purchase & parking          | $11,427.64     |              | $874,886.39     |
| N08 Due Diligence                    | $0.00          |              | $400.00         |
| N09 Loan costs                       | $0.00          |              | $0.00           |
| **Total**                             | **$0.00**      | **$41,746.28**| **$1,568,324.61**|

| Grand total                           | **$63,313.08** | **$355,659.01** | **$1,568,324.61** |

| Uncategorized expense                  | $0.00          | $0.00          |                 |

| Current Surplus or deficit            | ($9,621.19)    | ($14,484.34)   |                 |
## INVESTMENTS
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Operations Report to the
Church Council (Apr-May 2017)

Several important pieces of information to update Church Council on since our last gathering:

1. **Amick’s Ferry Access Driveway:** Project is incomplete. Driveway and road cannot be paved until all dirt on site is hauled off, which the contractor is working on. Engineers are working with contractor to expedite completion. I can’t provide a completion date as of this report.

2. **Staffing:** In partnership with SPRC, we are currently searching for a new Assimilation Minister and a Contemporary Worship Director. We have narrowed down the resumes considerably and hope to have a new Assimilation Minister by the end of May and a new Contemporary Worship Director by the end of June.

3. **One Service/Patriotic Celebration:** June 25th is the date for our Patriotic Celebration/One Service to be held at Chapin High School. We have a great morning of worship planned, followed by a good old fashioned 4th of July picnic, to include hot dogs, apple pie, a classic car show and a blue grass band playing at lunch.

4. **Global Outreach Policy:** The GO Team has just completed a complete revision of the current Global Outreach Policy. This document streamlines the previous version and clarifies CUMC’s strategy for reaching people with the gospel through Missions. It is being placed in Church Council’s hands for their mandatory review with planned discussion and vote at the July Council Meeting.

We have an exciting and full summer ahead of us! VBS, Missions Trips, and Summer Camps. That and all of the every day, every week worship and discipleship opportunities at CUMC make for a great summer. As always, it is a joy and privilege to serve in ministry with the amazing people of this church. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of your lives for the glory of God’s name!

Rick Faulkner
Minister of Operations
Missions Report to the Church Council

May 18, 2017

The following are highlights of what has taken place in the Missions Ministry since the GO Team last reported out to the Church Council:

1. Over Spring Break, twenty-eight adults and youth from Chapin UMC participated in a 7-day mission trip to Guatemala. The group constructed 450 square foot houses for two very deserving families and held a vacation bible school for community kids. However, the major focus of the Chapin group was witnessing, praying and loving on families in the Town of San Raymundo where their work projects were located. The participants experienced the overwhelming blessing of giving keys to a new house to the grateful families. Jan Mayo provided outstanding trip leadership for this group.

2. A Global Impact Celebration (GIC) Team has finalized most of the details for our annual Mission Ministry Global Impact Celebration (GIC). The theme for this year’s conference is “Saved to Serve”. The dates are September 28 – October 1, 2017. Our featured speaker is Todd Phillips, pastor and author of GET UNCOMFORTABLE & The Last Well. The GIC this year will be preceded by a Get Uncomfortable Week/Impact Poverty Challenge. Mignon Fowler is providing overall leadership for the GIC.

3. Four individuals from Chapin UMC recently returned from a 12-day scoping trip to the Mully Children’s Family(MCF) in Kenya. The team’s major goal was to assess the potential for our Church to partner with MCF and they also explored the possibility of sending mission teams to Kenya.

4. Looking ahead to a Summer of GOERS with following mission trips:

   Lead 222, Cabo, Mexico youth trip lead by Steve Wheaton and Natalie McCoy
   Christ for the City, Nicaragua trip lead Doctor James & Jan Hunter
   Camp Brittney, Costa Rica lead by Alyson and Jamie Jester
   Appalachian Service Project (ASP), Tennessee lead by David Van Wey
   Salkehatchie Summer Camps, South Carolina with leadership by John Nesbitt
   Faithful Servants Mission, Costa Rica lead by John & Carson Chitty
   Mission of Hope, Haiti lead by Emily Wheaton

Walley Turner

GO Team Leader
Finance Committee Report for May, 2027.

There will be no available funds this month for other use.
The Finance Committee has approved a $3,000.00 "Set Aside" for Leadership Development. I move that this Report be approved as submitted.
John Sellers, Chair

Sent from my iPhone

On May 11, 2017, at 7:06 PM, Ann Gainey <againey3@sc.rr.com> wrote:

Good evening everyone. Please note our CC meeting referenced above and send your reports to me by Monday evening.

Thank you to those who have sent their reports already.

Thank you,
Ann
Minister of Assimilation – 18 May 2017

In Review
- ALPHA concluded as a great success, with over 60 guests and much potential for the future
- Palm Sunday and Easter were also major successes.
  - We had many guests visit on Palm Sunday, and the best Easter service I can remember
  - Our follow-up plan from Palm Sunday to Easter to Slugs and Bugs
- I’ve worked with Michelle Tisdale to create a series of training elements for our First Connection volunteers based off of Dale Carnegie’s “How to Win Friends and Influence People.” Those should start going out in the next two weeks.
- Michelle has also helped us update our campus map and our interior signage
- Dee Dee Simmons has helped us update our exterior signage
- Make the Connection continues to be a source of excitement as we meet new faces and help new folks get connected.
  - In particular, we are seeing more and more new young families – newlyweds with no children, or infants.
- We continue to add folks to our serving teams on Sunday morning, making sure all aspects of Sunday worship are staffed, resourced, and supported.
- We continue to get positive feedback from guests
  - Many new guests are coming for our children’s ministry and the opportunities for growth and mission
- I’ve constructed a “Transition File” and have had conversations with Marcy Kenny via email and FaceTime to help ensure a smooth transition.

Looking Ahead
- I’ve passed files along to Rick and Caroline to ensure our teams are mobilized for One Church
- I’ll continue to be available to Marcy and to answer any questions she has.
- I’m meeting with some of my closest leaders to ensure they are prepared to help Marcy hit the ground running when she arrives.
- I continue to add new folks to our ministry teams, including children’s, sound, first connection, and AV.
  - The opening of new building space makes this a priority addition.
In Review

- SPRC has worked to find a replacement for the Assimilation Minister position. Resumes were reviewed and finalists were interviewed via phone by select committee members. Those recommended to move forward were then interviewed through a Skype web conference by the selected interview team. After additional deliberation and recommendations by the team, Marcy Kenny was recommended for an onsite interview.

- Marcy Kenny joined us the weekend of May 5th-7th for an onsite visit and interview. Marcy spent the weekend in Chapin meeting everyone and seeing the area. SPRC interviewed Marcy on Sunday followed by a staff interview. After further collaboration, SPRC and staff recommended to offer Marcy the position, which she accepted. A start date is set for June 15th.
Women in the Pulpit Sunday will be June 11, 2017. Our speaker will be Judi Gatson. Judi is an evening anchor for WIS-TV in Columbia. Judi will speak live at the 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service and rebroadcast the 11:15 Contemporary Service.

Judi is passionate about encouraging everyone she meets to embrace God’s plans and purpose for their lives. Judi’s desire is to believe, receive & cultivate every dream God has placed in her heart. I have heard Judi speak several times and I always leave feeling inspired and uplifted.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky McCormack
This past Easter Season was so special. Note: The combined attendance (Sunrise, and the 4 morning services) was more than 2300, up by 70 over Easter 2016 and we praise God for that. The additional parking, the Amicks Ferry Driveway (which is usable and nearing completion), the new Children's Building, along with a renewed emphasis on investing in and inviting our unchurched neighbors and friends will prayerfully cause us to see a continued increase in attendance numbers in 2017.

Our AWAKENING 2017 revival services May 7-10 were great times of worship and renewal. The music and the messages were great every night, and we’re praying for lasting spiritual fruit to continue to be produced over the coming months. Will we hold services like these again soon? We’re praying about that possibility; it depends largely upon what we see transpire (as a result of AWAKENING 2017) as 2017 plays out (changed lives, increased worship attendance, more unconnected people being connected with Jesus’ saving love, etc.).

CUMC’s CELEBRATE AMERICA patriotic musical will be held this year at Chapin High School’s Arena on Sunday, June 25 at 10:20 AM. This promises to be a great time of worship of Almighty God as we thank Him for the freedoms we enjoy and look to Him for direction and guidance as a nation. Free food, Bluegrass music, a classic car show ... this is the perfect event to invite all of your unchurched family, friends, and neighbors to, so let’s fill up the CHS Arena!

Here’s a shout out to some truly special CUMC volunteers (servant ministers). Families like the Cole Family bless and inspire me so. Rich and Ann have two children, Jessica (18) and Connor (15). The lives they all live exemplify a love for Jesus and a commitment to Jesus that accentuate the fact that they seek first the kingdom of God!

WIN Wall Update: 108 cards have been moved (108 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES! // We exist to help 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. Please continue to pray for, invest in, and invite to church those you know and love who need the love of the Savior.

Michelle and I are so grateful for the opportunity to serve our Amazing God with you and this loving church family. Thank you!
Ann, here is my Trustee report. I will not be there tonight as Evie and I are currently on our way to Evie's cousin's funeral at Arlington National in Virginia. Clay

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

On Tue, May 16, 2017 at 1:34 PM, Ann Gainey <againey3@sc.rr.com> wrote:

See you Thursday.

Ann

There will be no available funds this month for other use.
The Finance Committee has approved a $3,000.00 "Set Aside" for Leadership Development. I move that this Report be approved as submitted.
John Sellers, Chair

Sent from my iPhone

On May 11, 2017, at 7:06 PM, Ann Gainey <againey3@sc.rr.com> wrote:

Good evening everyone. Please note our CC meeting referenced above and send your reports to me by Monday evening.

Thank you to those who have sent their reports already.

Thank you,
Ann
1. Access road surfacing delayed due to dirt removal issues. Also permitting issues with bus shed concerning fire hydrant, options being pursued.

2. All items required to satisfy Fire Marshall inspection should be complete as of this week.

3. Auto door opener is scheduled to be installed within next week.

4. Security locks are being installed in children's wing to allow for lockdown in case of emergency.

5. Work has begun on resurfacing of parsonage and the addition of a screened porch.
202 Global Outreach Policy

202.1 Purpose: The purpose of the Global Outreach Policy is to outline a general strategy that will enable Chapin United Methodist Church (CUMC) to:

- Fulfill the great commission through local and global missions efforts.
- Support our missionaries and partner organizations in the field financially, through prayer, and other resources necessary to facilitate their evangelistic efforts.
- Ensure good stewardship in the allocation of designated missions funds.
- Maintain consistency as team membership and church staff changes.

202.2 Policy: The Global Outreach Team (GO Team) will function under the direction of the CUMC Church Council. The GO Team is responsible for:

- Strategic planning, implementing, and evaluating the general missions activities of the church.
- Provide counsel and support for missions activities carried out by other entities within the church.
- Keeping missions (global outreach) out front as part of CUMC's vision to connect lost people to Jesus Christ.
- Identifying, supporting and partnering with missionaries and organizations that embrace the same vision and values as CUMC for reaching the lost and making disciples.

202.2.1 The following positions comprise the GO Team:

- GO Team Leader
- Staff Liaison
- GO Team Financial Coordinator
- Acts 1:8 Team Leaders (4)
- Communications Coordinator
- Administrative Coordinator
- At-Large Members (2)

202.2.2 The GO Team is comprised of not less than nine individuals; all recommended by the Committee on Nominations and Lay Leadership, and will serve a three year term. With the exception of the GO Team Leader, those elected to serve will fill the positions listed in paragraph 202.2.1. These individuals may serve one additional three year term then must roll off the team for at least one year.

202.2.3 The GO Team Leader shall be elected by the annual Charge Conference following recommendation from the Committee on Nominations and Lay Leadership. This individual will provide leadership for the GO Team and will assign members to all available GO Team positions. This person will serve an initial three year term with up to one three year renewable term. The Leader must roll off the GO Team for one year.
202.2.4 Financial Coordinator will be selected from among those approved for the GO Team by the Charge Conference. This position is responsible for:
- Maintaining records of funds received and funds disbursed
- Provide periodic statements to the GO Team and Finance Team
- Review disbursement requests to ensure that funds are available to cover the expenses

202.2.5 Staff Liaison will be appointed by the Senior Minister and serve in that capacity until the Senior Minister directs otherwise.

202.2.6 Acts 1:8 Team Leaders will be selected from among those approved for the GO Team by the Charge Conference. Their primary responsibilities are to maintain contact with missionaries and partner organizations within their working area to encourage, build up, pray for, and resource them. In addition, Team Leaders will encourage and equip mission trips from the CUMC congregation within their respective working areas.

202.2.7 Acts 1:8 Teams. There are four teams with team leaders that comprise the Acts 1:8 Teams. Those four teams are responsible for the following:
- Local Missions (Jerusalem). Local missions in Lexington, Richland, Newberry and Fairfield counties of South Carolina.
- Regional Missions (Judea). Regional missions within the states comprising the southeastern region of the United States: Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia.
- Zonal Missions (Samaria). Specific social groupings that are typically ignored or avoided, such as homeless, prison, refugees, at-risk youth.
- National and International Missions (Ends of the Earth). Outside the southeast region of the United States and in other countries.

202.2.8 Communication Coordinator. This position is responsible for all social media content for the GO Team; keeping the congregation updated on current events and sharing information that is helpful for fulfilling our strategy to reach lost people with the gospel.

202.2.9 Administrative Coordinator. This position will ensure that administrative requirements of the Team are met. This includes managing Agendas, minutes, correspondence with missionaries and organizations, and disseminating print information received from the field.

202.2.10 Special Team Leaders will be chosen by the GO Team and be set up for specific tasks or functions (Global Impact Celebration, Prayer Team). These teams will operate as needed and will not be voting members of the GO Team.

202.2.11 GO Team Meetings.
- Meetings will take place bi-monthly or as necessary.
- Short and long range strategies will be developed and executed.
• Progress reports from partner organizations, mission trip leaders, and GO Team members will be reviewed.
• Requests and recommendations will be reviewed and decided upon.
• All funding issues will be discussed and addressed.
• The annual Missions Budget will be established once the General Fund budget is approved by Church Council and GIC funds are received.

202.3 Financial Policies. All monies received will be deposited to the G19 account and used for its intended purpose. Those monies may come from the following sources:

• General Fund Budget. The annual church general fund budget will contain monetary authorizations allotted to global outreach line items.
• GIC Offerings. Designated gifts that are given as a result of the annual GIC will provide for missionary and partner organization support.
• Designated gifts. Monies donated to CUMC and earmarked by the donor for Missions will go directly towards global outreach efforts.
• Mission Trip payments. Monies received from participants to pay for their short term mission trip expenses.
• End of Year Excess Funds. Should the general fund end the year with a surplus, Church Council may approve directing a portion of that excess to the missions budget. Those funds may be used per the discretion of the GO Team.
• Fund Raising monies. Funds received from specific mission-oriented fundraising activities will be credited to that specific trip or activity.

202.3.1 Budget. The GO Team has responsibility for developing the annual missions budget.

• General Fund. The GO Team will make a recommendation for the missions portion of the annual budget to the CUMC Finance Team describing the expected expenditure of missions funds coming from the general fund budget.
• GO Team Budget. This budget will receive its funds from all of the sources listed above in section 202.3. The budget will run calendar year January 1- December 31. The goal is to allocate all funds collected during the year that they are donated.

202.3.2 Disbursement of Funds.

• All disbursement of funds will be made by the CUMC Treasurer after approval by either, the GO Team Leader, Financial Coordinator, or Staff Liaison.
• Disbursement of funds will come from the G19 Designated Account based on the GO Team budget.
• At the beginning of each budget year, the total funds committed will be allocated to each of the Missions and Trips from the G19 account.
• Any changes must be approved by the GO Team and funds moved from the undesignated portion of the G19 account. Note that this may result in the undesignated G19 account showing a negative balance due to projected donations and monthly transfer of budgeted CUMC funds.
• Expenses paid from the GO Team budget include costs of material and supplies for the mission trip. Personal expenses will not be covered by the budget; those are the responsibility of the participants.
• Funds for mission trip expenses will be included in the annual budget. Due to requirements for pre-paying some expenses, trip funds may reflect a negative balance until all funds are collected and accounted for.

• If expenses exceed the budgeted amount, the excess is the responsibility of the trip participants unless approved by the GO Team.

• Funds that have been designated for a specific mission, project, or trip shall only be used for the purpose for which they were designated unless authorized otherwise by the GO Team.

202.3.3 Financial Accountability. The GO Team shall consider the following criteria when evaluating potential missionaries, mission organizations, or mission trips:

• Funds will be provided only to those individuals, groups or organizations that demonstrate financial responsibility and stewardship for their resources.

• Generally, we will not provide financial support when fundraising and administrative expenses exceed 20% of an organization’s costs.

• Missionaries will provide an annual budget for living and ministry expenses along with their ministry plan containing goals and objectives to be eligible for support; and then whenever requested.

• Missionaries and organizations we support will keep in contact with the GO Team through regular newsletters, letters, emails or other means of communication.

• We meet the standards of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (EFCA) or similar standards.

202.4 Selection of Missionaries, Missionary Organizations, and Short Term Mission Trips.
The following criteria is established for Global Outreach efforts at CUMC and include the following:

• Organization or individual being considered must hold to a statement of faith that aligns with CUMC’s vision and values. They must first and foremost be committed to evangelizing the lost and reaching people with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

• The mission trip must align with our Global Outreach Plan.

• GO Team will not provide financial support to individuals requesting funds to participate in trips not authorized by or part of the CUMC global outreach plan.

• The GO Team’s ultimate goal is to have partnerships throughout the world. Therefore, the GO Team will disburse missions support and missionary funds globally, so that annual allotted missions support funds are expended to these specific regions of the world listed below:
  o Mexico/Caribbean/South America
  o Africa
  o Europe
  o Asia
  o North America (Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria)

• All non-budgeted requests will be reviewed and considered by the GO Team on a case by case basis.

• All mission trips must be researched and thoroughly vetted, to include a site visit if possible, before becoming an authorized GO Team trip. No recruiting, scheduling or fund raising will take place until authorized by the GO Team. Organizations must:
- Have clear and realistic objectives, goals, and benefits to the mission trip have been established.
- Have a strong, overarching commitment to evangelizing the lost.
- Take the lead only in those things that others cannot do for themselves
- Shun projects that are not sustainable by local people
- Avoid quick-fix solutions to long-term, systemic problems
- Include missionaries and the local people in determining projects
- Avoid being a burden to our host missionaries
- Ensure that support structures are in place to accommodate our presence
- Commit to a long term relationship where our teams can return year after year to continue building and sustaining relationships

- Responsibilities of the Missionary requesting support by CUMC include all of the above and these additional criteria:
  - Complete and submit an application for financial support (Appendix A)
  - Submit a ministry plan with goals and objectives
  - Amount (percentage) of administrative costs associated with organization
  - Commit to regular contact with GO Team
  - Be available to visit CUMC when on furlough or home land assignment
  - Inform the GO Team of changes in their assignment location or role

202.4.1 Short Term Mission Trip Leader has overall responsibility to plan and execute the mission trip or project. This individual is the primary contact between the mission or host organization and the team. In addition, the leader shall:

- Clearly define the objectives and goals of the mission trip or project.
- Collect and maintain all required documentation (GO Team and Host Organization).
- Coordinate travel with all team members.
- Develop familiarity with the laws and customs of the host country.
- Register with the U.S. State Department. Go to [https://travelregistration.state.gov](https://travelregistration.state.gov) and login: user name ChapinUMC/password chapin29036.
- Complete a trip report as soon as practical following the group’s return.
- Identify and complete any special training unique to this trip.
- Determine if additional insurance coverage should be obtained for team members.
- Arrange and prepare appropriate devotionals during the trip.
- Ensure that the expenses are within the budget established.
- Track and collect all payments by participants.
- Provide copies of passports of all trip members and contact information to church office prior to departure.
- Be Safe Sanctuary trained and practice Safe Sanctuary procedures when children and students are trip participants.
- Prior to leading a trip for the first time, a Trip Team Leader should receive training from either the GO Team, UMVIM, or have served as an assistant leader in a prior trip.
- Utilize Appendix B as a check off list for pre-trip preparation. Modify the list as necessary to fit your particular trip.
- Trip Leader is authorized to designate a co-leader to share mission trip duties.
202.4.2 Team Members participating in a short term trip must be aware of the level of commitment expected for the success of the mission trip or project. In addition to properly preparing for local and international trips, team members will also:

- Obtain and update passports and visas in a timely manner.
- Applicants will fill out a Medical Information and Release Form (Appendix C).
- Applicants under the age of 18 shall have the approval of their parents or guardian (Appendix D).
- Team Members will participate in as many schedule team meetings as possible prior to departure.
- Children under the age of twelve must be accompanied by a parent or another adult approved by the parent.
- Participants are responsible for providing necessary funds to take part in the trip of their choosing.
- Complete Host application forms and submit back to Trip Leader in a timely manner.
- The Host organization will determine the minimum age of trip participants.

202.4.3 Trip Budgeting and Fundraising Plan.

- The team needs to develop a budget with a strategy to raise funds. At a minimum, team travel and living expenses are the responsibility of the participants and church funds outside of scholarship monies will not be used for these purposes.
- Team Members will not use the church directory to conduct personal fund raising. The exception to this is they may request funds from their Sunday School or Small Group.
- Deposits of the participant costs should be required from each participant at scheduled intervals prior to the trip. Deposits paid from personal funds may be refunded if the participant withdraws and it does not adversely affect the mission. If there is an adverse effect, a substitute participant may take the vacated spot and provide a refund.
- Any funds credited to an individual from a fundraising event in excess of the amount required may be redistributed to other members or used to reduce any church subsidy being used.
- Fundraising activities must be approved by Church Council before scheduling.
- All checks should be made payable to Chapin United Methodist Church and marked in the memo section “Missions, __trip”.
- All Trip Leaders are authorized a 50% cost of trip scholarship. When a group exceeds 10 participants and a co-leader is assigned, they too are eligible for a 50% cost of trip scholarship.
- All first time mission trip participants are authorized a 25% cost of trip scholarship. This is a one-time grant intended to encourage people who have not been on a mission trip to do so.
- Any additional requests for individual financial support beyond what has been authorized will be considered on a case by case basis. Appendix E must be completed and turned in to the GO Team for consideration.
202.4.4 Post Mission Trip Activities.

- The Team Leader should conduct a debriefing session at the conclusion of the mission trip to allow members to reflect on their experiences, identify what went well and what could be done better in the future.

- The Team Leader will prepare a trip report to the GO Team which will include:
  - Scope and results of the mission trip or project
  - Provide an accounting of financial expenditures
  - Provide a historical account to draw upon for future mission trips or projects
  - Provide a digital copy of selected pictures from the trip for posting on the GO Team Wall in the Main Sanctuary Narthex.
Appendix A
Financial Support Request

"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

This application is used to identify, review, and evaluate funding for missionaries, missions, organizations, groups, and special projects to be considered by CUMC. Funding is determined annually based on available funds and approved by the Global Outreach Lead Team.

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Check one:

- [ ] Preparing for 1st term
- [ ] Currently on field (since __/__/____)
- [ ] Between terms _____ and ______

Fill in your missions organization data in the box to the right

Is this organization a member of ECFA?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Ministry Focus: (Please write a brief summary of the primary focus of your ministry or project):

Where (Country, Region and/or City) is your ministry located?

Who are the people groups and/or population segments being reached by your ministry? (E.G. the Ingush people of Kazakhstan; university students in Nairobi; AIDS orphans in villages) Do you or your organization minister to children and/or youth?
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| Is there a possibility of Short Term Teams assisting your ministry? | Yes ☐ No ☐ |

If “Yes,” what might our church members do on a short-term mission trip? |

Signed: __________________________ Date: ______________
Appendix B
Short-Term Mission Trip Planning Checklist

8 to 12 Months before the mission trip or project

1. Survey the church, GO Team, and church staff to determine their level of support and commitment to the mission trip or project
2. Form a planning group
3. Contact the host organization or missionary to determine how to best help the host team *(Host involved in 4-6 below)*
4. Determine the objectives and goals for the mission trip or project
5. Discuss logistics such as meals, transportation, lodging, work schedule
6. Agree on dates for the mission trip or project
7. Use a budget worksheet to determine the cost for each team member
8. Draft a fundraising strategy and plan
9. Submit Short-Term Mission Trip Plan to the Short-Term Mission Coordinator
10. Secure the approval of the GO Lead Team

4 to 8 Months

11. Schedule the team’s consecration on the church calendar
12. Begin promoting the mission trip or project to enlist team members and supporters
13. Make tentative travel plans and airline reservations as needed
14. Conduct a pre-visit if possible
15. Plan a local mission trip or project for team building and practice
16. Finalize a schedule for the mission trip or project
17. Determine the medical needs for the trip. If needed, enlist a nurse or other person trained in first aid and CPR
18. Develop a packing list for team members
19. Enlist adults as sponsors or counselors for youth mission trips or projects
20. Recruit a home team leader and identify a support team
21. Begin team training
22. Begin fundraising activities
23. Conduct a parent meeting for youth mission trips or projects to update them
24. Develop a travel itinerary including ground transportation
25. If needed, ensure team members have applied for a passport
26. Team members send out prayer and financial support requests as needed
27. Present the draft plan and budget to the mission leadership team

1 to 2 Months

28. If needed, conduct a local mission trip or project for team building and practice
29. Begin collecting supplies
30. Stock a first aid kit
31. Contact the host organization for any updates
32. Remind team members to complete team forms
33. Submit visa applications if required
34. Determine team duty and "Buddy" assignments
SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP PLANNING CHECKLIST – PAGE 2

1-4 Weeks
35. Conduct the team’s consecration on the Sunday before the mission trip or project
36. Request funds from the church business manager or GO Team
37. Collect completed team forms and make a duplicate set to remain with the home team leader
38. Conduct a parent/spouse meeting to discuss logistics and travel plans
39. Pack and load supplies for transport
40. Purchase Short-Term Missions Trip Medical and Emergency Medical Evacuation Insurance for all team members

During the Mission Trip or Project
41. Be servers, be learners, be flexible
42. Represent Jesus Christ, the church, the host organization, and the missionary well
43. Share your personal testimony and faith when the opportunities arise
44. Role model a servant’s spirit
45. Make alternate plans (e.g., it may rain)
46. Take a day off and have fun
47. Remember, everyone will have a “Terrible Thursday” when heat, fatigue, or other factors increase the level of stress. When this happens, give one another some space to recover
48. Write in a journal and take pictures and videos
49. Share telephone numbers and addresses with hosts and others to develop long-term relationships

Follow-up Activities
50. Conduct a celebration with supporters, family, and friends
51. Follow through on any personal decisions made during the trip
52. Write thank you notes to supporters
53. Conduct debriefing sessions
54. Share pictures and videos
55. Write and submit a trip report in addition to briefing the GO Team
56. Plan presentations for sharing opportunities
Appendix C

CUMC SHORT-TERM TRIP
RISK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RELEASE FORM

Trip Information (To be completed by the trip sponsor)
CUMC Group Coordinating Trip: ____________________________
Location of Trip: ____________________________ Dates: ____________
Nature of Trip: ____________________________
Name of Trip Leader: ____________________________ Phone: ____________
Trip Leader Email: ____________________________

Participant Information (To be completed by participant or an authorized guardian)
Name of participant: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________ Phone: ____________
Name of Emergency Contact: ____________________________
Daytime Phone: ____________ Evening Phone: ____________
List any current allergies, illnesses, physical conditions or medications:
(continued) __________________________________________________________________________
Is Trip Leader authorized to approve medical treatment? ___ Yes ___ No
Is Participant covered by persona/family medical insurance? ___ Yes ___ No
If yes, name of insured: ____________________________
Policy or group number: ____________________________

Participant Agreement (To be completed by participant or parents or guardians if participant is a minor)
I acknowledge that participation in the above trip involves risk to the Participant (and to Participant’s parents or guardians, if Participant is a minor), and may result in various types of injury including, but not limited to the following: sickness, bodily injury, death, emotional injury, personal injury, property damage and financial damage.

In consideration for the opportunity to participate in the above trip, the Participant (or parent/guardian if Participant is a minor) acknowledges and accepts the risks of injury associated with participation in the trip. The Participant (or parent/guardian) accepts personal financial responsibility for any injury sustained during the trip. Further, the Participant (or parent/guardian) promises to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the CUMC Group Coordinating this trip and its agents, employees, volunteers or any other representatives (collectively included hereinafter in the term “Trip Coordinator”) for any injury related directly or indirectly out of the above trip, whether such injury arises out of the negligence of the Trip Coordinator or otherwise.

If a dispute over this agreement or any claim for damages arises, the Participant (or parent/guardian) agrees to resolve the matter through a mutually acceptable alternative dispute resolution process. If the Participant (or parent/guardian) and the Trip Coordinator cannot agree upon such a process, the dispute will be submitted to a three-member arbitration panel of the American Arbitration Association for final resolution.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
Participant or parent/guardian if participant is a minor
Appendix D

Permission for Travel of Minor

This form is to be completed by one or both parents of a minor (under 18 years of age) authorizing his/her/their child to accompany a Chapin United Methodist Church, Chapin, SC, short-term missions team trip outside of the United States.

Short-term Mission Trip name (or host organization): __________________________

Destination: __________________________ Trip dates: __________________________

Name of Minor (as it appears on passport): __________________________

Passport number: __________________________ Age: __________________________

I hereby grant permission for my child to travel with Chapin United Methodist Church beyond the borders of the United States of America. If the above child resides in a two-parent household, both parents must sign below.

_________________________________________  __________________________
Signature of Father                        Signature of Mother

Is Father on this trip? Yes ___ No ___  Is Mother on this trip? Yes ___ No ___

Date: __________________________       Date: __________________________

Emergency contact info: ________________  Emergency contact info: ________________
Appendix E

Missions Trip Grant/Funding Application

At Chapin United Methodist Church, our vision is to encourage all followers of Christ to experience a short-term mission trip. Lack of funding should never be a reason to not take part in a life-changing experience! Please complete the following application, as this assists us in determining your need and allows us to be good stewards of our limited financial resources. We will do our very best to provide some form of assistance. All information will be kept confidential and we will make every effort to help you.

Contact Information
Participant's Full Name: _____________________________

Parent(s) Name(if student) _________________ Phone: _____________________________
Grade: _________________ Age: _________________ School: _____________________________
Address: ___________________________________
City, State, Zip: ________________________________
Email: ____________________________________

Mission Trip Information
Please Check One: First Time Trip □ (If first time trip skip questions three and four) Financial Hardship □

1. Trip for which you are requesting grant funding: ____________________

2. Cost of Trip: ____________

3. How much will you be able to pay for this event? ____________

4. Are there special circumstances that have resulted in your need for financial assistance (loss of job, illnesses, etc.)?

_____________________________________________________________________________________________

5. Do you attended Chapin UMC? ______ Are you a member? □ yes □ no

6. Describe your ministry and serving participation at Chapin UMC:
____________________________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________________________

(Signature) (Date)

Request for funding is reviewed by the GO Team and Mission Trip Leader
I. Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy gave a devotional based on Romans 2:6-13. God will repay as we have done. Those who obey God will be called righteous. Are we going to just be called a leader or we will actually lead?

II. Review of minutes: from May 18, 2017. No revisions noted and thus

Unanimous approval

III. Standing Reports:

1. Treasurers Report – Alice Furman
   - All bills paid as usual
   - Balances of two loans are $3,356,000 and $2,736,000
   - $1,993 has been spent for missions

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  7. Don Baucom – Kathy Lane’s Brother
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Several important pieces of information to update Church Council on since our last gathering:

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The Lord is great! He is blessing Chapin UMC beyond measure, and His hand of favor is certainly upon us. May we all receive His blessings with humility and a reverent awe, for His glory and our delight! Thank you for allowing me to be a small part of this great movement.

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**Other Reports:**

None

**V. New Business**

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**VI. Old Business**

The Global Outreach Policy Revision was voted on and

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VII. Pastor's Report – Jody Flowers

CUMC's CELEBRATE AMERICA patriotic musical (Bring Us Back) was held at Chapin High School’s Arena on Sunday, June 25 at 10:30 AM. It was a great time of worship of Almighty God as we thanked Him for the freedoms we enjoy and looked to Him for direction and guidance as a nation. The food, Bluegrass music, classic car show ... it was the perfect event to invite all of our unchurched family, friends, and neighbors to, and the CHS Arena was filled (1300+)! [Note: Our previous two ONE Services at CHS averaged about 900 in attendance.]

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W1N Wall Update: 113 cards have been moved (113 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES!! // We exist to help 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. Please continue to pray for, invest in, and invite to church those you know and love who need the love of the Savior.

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Next Church Council Meeting – September 21, 2017

Respectfully submitted by
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CUMC Church Council Agenda – July 20, 2017

Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

Standing Reports

1. Treasurer’s Report: Alice Furman
2. Finance Committee: John Sellers
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4. Missions: Wally Turner
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Staff Reports

1. SALT – Rev. Albert Cox
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Other Reports

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Pastor’s Report
Finance Report

July 20, 2017

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GO Team Leader
SALT Report
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Albert and Margie Cox
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Curt Mitchell
Facilities Manager
Church Council
September 21, 2017 – 7:00 pm

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I. Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy presented a devotion based on John 8:3. The adulterous women is the topic and Jesus’ dealing with her. Jesus knew his audience and spoke accordingly. We should always be aware of our audiences also. Generally, there are three types of people in an audience: attention-seeking, fearful, and wealthy (I’ve got too much to do so they are bored). The bored ones would be the most difficult to reach.

II. Review of minutes: from July 20, 2017. Ann Gainey said the WAVE report was omitted but has been inserted. She was advised to review for misspellings; it was done and corrections were made.

   Unanimous approval

III. Standing Reports:

1. Treasurers Report – Rick Faulkner
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2. Finance Report – John Sellers

No excess funds to be moved

3. Lay Leader – Joe Bouknight (presented by Paul Allen)

Looking back over the past two months we witnessed the total solar eclipse and wrapped up summer vacations and travel. Now we are back in “football season!”

Our church family has maintained a high level of activity as all of the committee reports highlight. In my report I want to remind us of the many available activities coming up. Decide where you and your family want to plug in and think about reaching out to friends and neighbors who might want to participate.

- GIC September 28-October 1, www.chapinumcmissions.com/gic
- GIC service day September 30, jnesbitt@sc.rr.com
- Hurricane Relief: http://www.umcor.org/Search-for-Projects/Search-for-Projects
- Small group sign-ups: marcy@chapinumc.com
- WAVE (age 3-4th grade): Natalie@chapinumc.com
- Transit (5th-6th grade): emily@chapinumc.com
- Fusion (7th-12th grade): hugo@chapinumc.com
- Keepin’ It Real ministry to homeless: sally.w.tucker@gmail.com
- Chapin We Care Center food pantry: directorwcc@sc.twcbc.com
- State Fair volunteers October 17-18: Mary 803-345-3321
- Bazaar workshops (September-October): any UMW member

And these are just a few of many activities going on in our church this fall! Where are you engaged?

4. Missions: Walley Turner

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*Global Impact Celebration*

At Chapin UMC, we are so blessed to be holding our 7th annual Global Impact Celebration (GIC). The dates for this year’s Global Impact Celebration is September 28 – October 1, 2017. Our theme is “Saved to Serve” which highlights God’s unmistakable call to serve others. This year we are thrilled to have a very special guest speaker, Todd Phillips, founder of the Last Well and inspirational author. Chapin UMC is so blessed to welcome and show our love to our many mission ministries and missionaries with approximately 25 of them attending our four-day GIC. Mignon Fowler is providing overall leadership for the GIC along with a team of more than 30 very active volunteers who work to make the GIC special for our missionaries and congregation.
5. Trustees – Clay Shelton

1. Major projects coming to completion
   A. Rear driveway to Amick’s Ferry Road hopefully will complete first surface this week. Final surface still to be scheduled.
   B. Bus/trailer shed is complete pending 2 pieces of door trim. Waiting on completion of driveway to begin use.
   C. Landscape planning for driveway and cemetery is underway.
   D. Anticipating directional guidance from council concerning decision to place gate on rear entrance.

2. Quotes are being attained for repair of electronic sign in front of church

3. Revised plans for repair/replacement of emergency lighting has been reviewed with fire marshal and will be scheduled in near future.

4. Looking at some small projects concerning sidewalks repair/replacement.

5. Trustees have provided support to Curt Mitchell as requested.

IV. Staff Reports:

1. Student Ministry – Hugo Muraco

   New in Fusion

   As a ministry we have recently launched our new season with a new vision statement and a new logo. Our goal for this season is to bring our students back together and create a culture focused around one community and their love for Jesus.

   Our new vision statement is designed to echo that of Chapin United Methodist Church. We want our students to be **Found** in the love of Jesus Christ, **Equipped** for the work of God, and **Sent** into the world to expand the kingdom of God. It can be summarized in those three words: Found, Equipped, Sent. This vision comes from the Great Commission, Matthew 28:19-20.

   Sunday Night Gatherings

   Fusion will now be meeting regularly on Sunday nights. We are moving away from our “once a month” model to help create a sense of routine and consistency for both the students and the parents. We launched with this new model Sunday, August 27. We have had a great response from parents. Students are also excited about the direction in which our ministry is going. We have had an average attendance of 75 students on Sunday nights.

   We have also seen an increase in parent involvement and in new adult leaders for our students. Our volunteer team has doubled since the beginning of summer. We have a great group of adults who have been willing to step into something new to help our students grow closer to God.
Small Groups

In an attempt to reconnect all of our students we have changed our small group format for the time being. We have moved all of our small groups to Sunday nights. We have also structured our small groups based on gender and grade. This is to help make sure that we are addressing topics that are appropriate to each age group in the appropriate setting.

Student Serving Teams

One of our goals as a student ministry is to help equip our students to serve others. We are starting to create serving teams where we are empowering our students by providing opportunities for them to use their gifts. Right now we are working on a worship team, tech team, media production team, and a student leadership team.

Upcoming Events

October 13-14 – Middle School Student Lock In
October 21st – High School Student Shag Night
November 19 – Flannel Formal
December 3 – Missional Fundraiser Student Night
January 1-3 – Passion Conference
January 7th – Fusion 2018 Kick Off
February 16-19 – Big Chill Unplugged

2. Contemporary Worship – John Dukes

Here are some highlights regarding the contemporary worship ministry since our last church council meeting:

1. The engagement level in our 9 and 11:15 services has me more excited than anything. I’m having trouble describing it, but in my opinion there has been a significant shift in the atmosphere of the room. A couple of weeks ago one of our drummers commented on how loud the voices in the room were coming through my microphone. I have had multiple conversations with people who have confessed that they are just now starting to sing in church. One gentleman spoke to me about how he has been stretched spiritually to just respond with his hands raised. I have been able to pray with people after a service because of how God moved that morning. I even had one person over lunch tell me that what has been going on “is not normal.”

2. I created a Worship Team Manifesto to define our culture as a family of worshiping musicians and artists. I have emphasized specifically since coming on staff the concept of presence over performance.

3. We have added a number of new songs to our worship language over the last few months.

I have been so encouraged from the response of many who have connected. From the new songs that we have introduced, Jesus is Better and Great I Am received the most feedback.

4. We have started to study through the book of Ephesians and will be starting a rhythm of gathering to write new songs to help our church love God better as we study through
Ephesians in the new year.
I count it a great blessing and privilege to serve the Lord at CUMC. I am so excited about what God has done in my short time here. I look forward to the journey that God is calling us toward as a church and specifically as a family of musicians and artists.

3. Congregational Care – Paul Allen

- Deaths since my last report in May connected to our church family
  (We had 12 deaths connected with our church family including 2 members):
    1. Hartsell Rogers – Nikki Bailey’s Father
    2. Mary Clark – Lilla Dodson’s Sister
    4. Lois Hines Young – Widow of Glenn Young
    5. Greg Emmerling – Jeff Emmerling’s Brother
    6. Dorothy Abbott – Keith Stewart’s Mother
    7. Jean Watson – Mark Watson’s Mother
    8. Syble Etheredge – David Etheredge’s Mother
    9. Ollie Moye – Alicia Moye’s Husband
    10. Louise Register – Stuart Register’s Mother
    11. Ron Watson – Judy Watson’s Husband
    12. Barbara Cole – Linda Hamel’s Sister

- Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
  1. Ben Creed – Cancer
  2. Frances Chitty – Lowman Stroke Rehab
  3. Leanne Castine – Lowman Fractured Pelvis
  4. Jim Stork – MUSC Treatment for Throat

- The Stephen Ministers are doing an outstanding job of complimenting hospital visitation. Their efforts are coordinated by Carol Weathers. We currently have 45 commissioned Stephen Ministers.

- CUMC is offering both GriefShare and Divorce Care this fall. Marcy Kenny is facilitating GriefShare and Andi Cornelison is facilitating Divorce Care.

- “The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated. They are always looking for some folks to add to their Team. If you might be interested please contact Mary Linda Rye or Betsy Weaver.

- 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 Fourth Sunday Community Services continues to be on Summer Break. Will start up again in October meeting here at CUMC on 10/22/2017 @ 6:00. Rev. Kevin Shepard, Mt. Zion Baptist, 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.
4. Children’s Ministry – Natalie McCoy

**Highlights**

- Promotion Sunday was held on August 27th. Children ages 2-4th grade moved to their new classes. Sunday School Wave Leaders had a special celebration in each class. 27 Kindergarten students were presented with Bibles at the 11:15 service.
- Sunday School Wave Leader appreciation dinner and training was held on August 13th.
- We are shifting to a new way of leading our Sunday School classes. We will no longer use “2nd adults,” but will instead have 1 lead teacher and 1 assistant in each class. This will allow for more consistency, better lesson planning, two adults who know students by name, etc.
- Sunday School classes began the new quarter of D6 curriculum. This will be our 2nd year using this curriculum which covers the entire Bible in 6 years.
- The kick off for Sunday Afternoons at the Wave was held on September 10th from 4-6pm with a pizza and movie night. 90 children attended the kickoff.
- On September 17th, we will begin our regular Sunday afternoon schedule (4:00-5:30pm) and rotate through music, missions and games. The children will begin making items for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes set a goal for how many shoeboxes they will pack this year.

**Future Plans**

- Planning for Jingle Jam Family Christmas Event to be held on December 10th at 3pm in the Sanctuary.
- Planning meetings for the implementation of a Junior Praise Band for Kids Worship in 2018.
- Continue recruitment of 11:15am Nursery Wave Leaders.

5. Assimilation Pastor – Marcy Kenney

**First Connection**

- July 30th hosted Meet & Greet and training with about 70 attending.
- Guest Services now has a gift to give out (water bottles). Recruited team to make bags each month.

**Make the Connection/New Members**

- In August hosted my first MTC. Revised material to present to potential new members.
- Will be having a New Member Welcome Lunch quarterly. First one is Oct 15th.
- Helped several new member couples get more involved after joining.

**Small Groups**

- Kicked off fall Small Groups with brochure and online registration.
- Helped some groups pick materials that were more “meaty” to encourage spiritual growth.
- Hosted Small Group Leader training with about 30 in attendance.
- Two groups that were led by Chris now have new trained leaders.
- Don & Patsy needed to step down. Worked with them to help members in their group step up. Group is now group led. Also helped recruit a new couple (who were new members that had never been in a small group before).
• Leading small group on Back to the Basics of Christianity

Sunday School
• Have helped several new members join Sunday School groups.

Miscellaneous
• Gave lesson/devotion for Sunday School class.
• Gave devotion for Festival of Tables.
• Gave devotion for a UMC Women’s Group.
• Continuing to meet with new members, current members, leaders, etc. for relationship building.
• Leading GriefShare due to past leaders stepping down for a time frame.
• Reached out to other Assimilation/Discipleship/Small Group folks at churches in the area to form a Discipleship team to discuss best practices. This will be a great accountability group.

Future Goals
• Meet with couples who could potentially become leaders for small groups. This is a very strong need.
• Find new out of the box options for new Sunday School classes. In particular, we lack a young college age or just out of college group, married or unmarried (no kids).
• Meet with First Connection leaders to plan a potential new Guest Services/Welcome/Info booth permanent tent for patio.

6. Facilities Manager — Curt Mitchell

The following are highlights of what has been taking place at Chapin United Methodist Church since Facilities last reported out to the Church Council:

1. We are still working on our compliance issues with the Lexington County Fire Marshal and tending to the violations that he has listed before us. We are track to be in full compliance by the end of 2017.

2. We coordinated with Mrs. Evelyn Ann Neal and the UMW on all the details of the Festival of Tables fund raiser.

3. We have set up and torn down multiple events in the fellowship hall and room 206 to make accommodations for our SALT (Golden Agers), UMW, small groups, circles, weddings, funerals, etc.

4. We continue to work weekly on various maintenance projects, and as always, oversee the ordering and stocking of all kitchen and janitorial supplies.

We strive to make CUMC an attractive and appealing environment where all people feel comfortable and welcome. We consider our opportunity to serve the Lord and His people of this congregation a tremendous honor and we look forward to this service on a daily basis.
7. Operations Pastor – Rick Faulkner

Several important pieces of information to update Church Council on since our last gathering:

1. Amick’s Ferry Access Driveway: Almost completed. Grading around new maintenance building taking place and asphalt will be placed afterwards. All signage has been ordered and once paving is complete, striping will take place.

2. Staffing: Working with the Lead Pastor and SPRC, we have identified a new staff position that will begin part time on November 1st and full time on January 1, 2018. This position is the Director of Media and Production and will be filled by Mark Slice, who has been working contractually with us for almost 10 years. This will exponentially raise the quality of our Sunday Morning service with respect to Sound, Lighting, and AV.

3. 2018 Budget. Ministry leaders and the Finance team have worked hard to present next year’s budget to Council, which you will receive this evening. This budget reflects a 4.5% increase over the 2017 budget, and continues to be visionary and outward focused. I’m excited to share this budget with the Council and the church family.

4. Global Impact Celebration. This awesome annual missions conference event begins on Thursday night, September 28th with a tailgating get together in the church parking lot at 6pm. Small Groups will be hosting the event. We have 23 missionaries and organizations participating in this year’s GIC.

Looking ahead, we have lots to be excited about. Our ministries are operating on all cylinders, there is tremendous unity within the body and in particular, the staff. We are going into the fall with great momentum and looking forward to the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, which are right upon us. God is great, and it really is a privilege to minister with the leaders of Chapin UMC!

8. Transit Report – Emily Wheaton (not presented)

July 16-21 we took 16 students and 4 adults to Orlando, Florida for a week of service with Group WorkCamps. We spent the week in Senior Day Care Centers, Rehabilitation Facilities, and a Rescue Mission. Our kids learned what it looks like to serve others and love like Jesus. Our Fusion student minister, Hugo, joined us and was able to connect with the students that were entering Fusion this fall!

In August we threw our first “graduation celebration” for those students that were moving to 7th grade and their families. We had 73 people in attendance.

Our new school year is off to a great start! We have had an average of 39 students every Sunday morning. The weekend of Sept. 8th-10th we took 43 students and 13 adult volunteers (that included 2 senior high students) to Camp Longridge for our third annual “Unplugged” Transit Retreat. Our speaker was a young man by the name of Kyle Hammill. Kyle is a senior at Clemson University who is super involved with FCA and has a great heart for ministry. He really connected with our students and spoke to them about “Influence”.

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This past Sunday afternoon we kicked off our first RESET at Transit. We will meet each Sunday from 4-5:30 for games and fun and then finish up with a short devotion to reset our hearts and minds for the coming week.

Looking ahead, we have a bowling night and a movie premier night planned for October and November.

Other Reports:

- SALT – Albert Cox

  The Golden Agers celebration August went well and everyone enjoyed remembering the years of their live that were long ago. For our Sept. meeting we traveled to Hendersonville, NC for a tour of the town and to two apple barns. We had forty travelers, the weather was beautiful and it was a great day apart. In October (Oct. 11) lunch will be served and the theme of the program will be the “county fair”. November 27-39 we will be travelling to Myrtle Beach for two Christmas shows, and on Dec. 6 we will have our Christmas brunch. And the program will be presented by Robert Fraumann of Atlanta, Ga. Bob is a graduate of Asbury College, concert pianist, and motivational speaker. More info later.

V. New Business

- 2018 Budget distributed for review for vote at next Council meeting
- Paul Allen asked for a special fund to be established for the Watson family. The father recently passed away and the young child has cerebral palsy. Council voted

  Unanimous approval

VI. Old Business

- A gate will not be placed at the Amicks Ferry entrance for now but could be an issue again in the future. Clay Shelton stated speed bumps and signs will be installed to discourage those who use the road as a bypass to get to Lexington Hwy. and vice versa.

VII. Pastor’s Report – Jody Flowers

So thankful for the ways you have been in ministry since we last met:

- August 2nd Community Prayer Gathering (Lake Murray Presbyterian) for those affected by the abandonment of the VC Summer Nuclear Plant project.
- August 10th and 11th 14 leaders (lay and staff) attended the Global Leadership Summit simulcast at the Harvest Church in West Columbia.
- August 14th Michelle and I hosted a cookout at the parsonage for the team (and their spouses) that re-built the deck and added a furnished, screened in porch at the parsonage.
- August 15th I had my annual consultation with our District Superintendent.
• August 25th I was privileged to speak at the Fishers of Men Regional Annual Meeting (Mt Pisgah UMC Johns Creek Georgia).
• August 26th we participated in the Chapin Community Back to School Prayer Walk.
• Your Nominations Committee has been hard at work and has almost completed the roster of leaders for the upcoming year.
• This past Sunday 12 (twelve) people were baptized (7 infants and 5 students)! It was a special day in the life of CUMC!

Super excited about what the Lord has in store in the coming months:

• GIC (our annual Global Impact Celebration) is almost here! September 29th – October 1st.
• Charge Conference will be held on Sunday, October 1st, at 4:00PM in Room 206.
• Christmas Eve this year falls on a Sunday. So, our schedule will be: Traditional Worship at 10:00 AM; Contemporary Worship at 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM. There will be no SS on Christmas Eve. If an adult class chooses to meet, that’s great. Just be aware there will be no children’s classes or childcare. Note: We will follow our regular schedule on December 31st (New Year’s Eve).

W1N Wall Update: 113 cards have been moved (113 people have crossed over from death to life!)...YES!! // We exist to help 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. Please continue to pray for, invest in, and invite to church those you know and love who need the love of the Savior.

Michelle and I are so grateful for the opportunity to serve our Amazing God with you and this loving church family. Thank you!

Next Church Council Meeting- October 19, 2017

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Gainey
CUMC Church Council Agenda – September 21, 2017

Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

Standing Reports

1. Treasurers Report: Rick Faulkner
2. Finance: Johnny Sellers
3. Lay Leader: Joe Bouknight
4. Trustees: Clay Shelton
5. Missions: Walley Turner

Staff Reports

1. Student Ministry – Hugo Muraco
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Other Reports

New Business
• 2018 Budget

Old Business
• Amick’s Ferry Entrance Gate

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4.9% increase

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10.8% increase

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7.2% increase**

**NOTES:**

*Media/Production $ is in hand on off budget. Actual increase for total Compensation category is $48,268.00

**Total Budget Increase is actually $92,440.00/4.5%

Weekly Requirement for 2018 is $42,148.00/$41,090.00 (-$55,000)
Church Council
October 19, 2017 – 7:00 pm

Members in Attendance:

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Visitors: none

I. Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy shared a devotion based on Matthew 14:15-18 – the feeding of the five thousand. The lesson in this Scripture is to give Him what we have (meager as it may seem) and then trust him to use it and provide solutions. Do not try to place limitations on Him.

II. Review of minutes: from September 21, 2017. Changed the verbiage in the Old Business section as requested by Clay Shelton. With changes, there was an

Unanimous approval

III. New Business:

1. Rick Faulkner opened discussion for a vote on the 2018 budget which is a 7.2% increase of the 2017 budget. Total 2018 budget is $2,191,699.00.

Unanimous approval

Next Church Council Meeting – November 16, 2017

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Gainey
Welcome/Devotion: Ben McCoy

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

New Business
   1. Discuss and Vote on the 2018 Budget
Church Council
November 16, 2017 – 7:00 pm

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Visitors:
John and Carson Chitty, Victoria Chitty, Carolyn Potts

I. Welcome: Rick Faulkner

II. Review of minutes: from October 19, 2017

Unanimous approval

III. Pastor’s Report – Jody Flowers:
1. The Chitty family service to CUMC was spotlighted and they were given a token of our appreciation.
2. The Christmas Eve services schedule was presented.
3. Jody asked that the Council approve 100% of the Christmas Eve offering be given to special needs children – part to Screaming Eagle and some to Rodney Watson who has cerebral palsy and whose father recently passed away. The Council voted by:

Unanimous approval

Meeting was closed with groups at each of the four tables praying in particular for Kathie Wilkes and Hunter Bramlett with Jody ending the session. Then pumpkin pie was served for a time of fellowship.
IV. Assimilation Minister – Marcy Kenny (not presented):

**First Connection**
- Successfully transitioned leadership from Mike Still to Mike Henderson for the usher/greeter team at 11:15am. Recruited new leader, Lynn Dempsey, to take Mike Henderson’s place on Week 4.
- Continuing to bring in new servants from membership class.
- Due to increase in attendance, have increased chairs in place for Fusion service.
- With encouragement and training, ushers are doing better about seating late comers
- Working on updating the Information wall.

**Make the Connection/New Members**
- On Oct 15th had the New Member Welcome Lunch for 2017. Will be having these quarterly moving forward. Was great success from those that helped plan to the event itself. Lots of good fellowship and connections.
- Using revised pamphlet now to lead MTC with a little more meaty content. Continuing to move folks from info session, to received in, to serving.

**Small Groups**
- Small groups have provided feedback that they are not seeing drop offs and attendance is staying good.
- In process of recruiting new leaders for short term study on Ephesians.
- Working and developing small group vision as a stronger discipleship process.

**Sunday School**
- Have helped several new members join Sunday School groups.
- Have leaders that are interested in forming a post high school Sunday School group. Working with Hugo to develop this.

**Miscellaneous**
- Formed team to look at creating the Connection Pavilion space on the patio. Goal is to “open” either Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday

V. Children’s Ministry – Natalie McCoy (not presented):

**Highlights:**
**Sunday Morning**
- We have seen a continued increase in the number of first time families. We celebrate that the majority of these families are returning and becoming regular attendees.
- Chris Faulkner has done a super job training and mentoring several Wave Leader Assistants to take on a more active role in teaching lessons at the 9am Kids Worship service.
- Our Sunday School Small Group Leaders are doing a fantastic job implementing the D6 curriculum. The children are engaged and learning at a level deeper and more meaningful than we have ever seen before. We are seeing results of this teaching and change in curriculum through the thoughtful
questions and answers they are providing as well as feedback from parents.
• We trained and added approximately 15 new Wave Leaders to our team in the past two months.

Sunday Afternoon
• Over the past several months, at Sunday Afternoon at the Wave, the children have been working hard during their mission’s rotation to make items for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. They made stuffed bears, pencil pouches, crosses, soap fish, special tic-tac-toe games, etc. to go in the boxes.
• On Sunday, November 5, the children packed over 70 boxes! They prayed over the boxes and the children who will be receiving them. A generous donation from the UMW, along with offering given by the children, enabled us to pay for the postage to ship the boxes.
• We have been working hard to prepare for Jingle Jam, our family outreach event, to be held on December 10th at 3pm in the sanctuary.
• The children will sing on the following dates:
  December 3 – 9am and 11:15 Worship Services
  December 3 – Chapin Town Hall Christmas tree lighting 4-6pm
  December 6 – Praise Wavelets will sing for the Senior Brunch
  December 10 – Jingle Jam

VI. Congregational Care Minister – Paul Allen (not presented):

• Deaths since my last report in September connected to our church family (We had 15 deaths connected with our church family including 1 member)
  1. Bobbie Swink – David Swink’s Mother
  2. Addison Richburg (Infant) – Jean Jonte’s Great Granddaughter
  4. Hester Hughes – Widow of Bubba Hughes
  5. William Curtis Mitchell, Sr. – Curt Mitchell’s Grandfather
  6. Elizabeth Smith – Margaret Fowler’s Sister
  7. Douglas Gore, Jr. – Thomas Gore’s Father
  8. Logan Hutchinson – Becky McCormack’s Nephew
  9. Mark Hipp – Michael Hipp’s Brother
  11. Celand Day – Sherry Mack’s Father
  12. Temple Lamar – Rick Lamar’s Uncle
  13. Sarah Kneece – Jane Dennis’s Mother
  14. Claire Osterholm – Kimberly Smith’s Grandmother
  15. Daisy Mike – Tony Fry’s Mother

• Illness/ Serious Concerns Currently requiring our prayers
  1. Kathie Wilkes – Cancer Cells in Lungs
  2. Frances Chitty – Adapting to Lowman Assisted Care
  3. Ben Creed – Still unable to swallow (Praise that he is able to be in church)
  4. Mr. Charlie Farley, Sr. – Continues to have difficulty with oxygen and strength
The Stephen Ministers are doing an outstanding job of complimenting hospital visitation. Their efforts are coordinated by Carol Weathers. We currently have 45 commissioned Stephen Ministers.

CUMC is offering both GriefShare and Divorce Care this fall. Marcy Kenny is facilitating GriefShare and Andi Cornelison is facilitating Divorce Care.

“The Spirit Lifters” continue sharing their food & love. These visits, meals, and touches of Christ’s love are appreciated. They are always looking for some folks to add to their Team. If you might be interested please contact Mary Linda Rye or Betsy Weaver.

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 Service will be held on 11/22/2017 at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Meal will be at 6:00 and service at 7:00.

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.

VII. Operations Minister – Rick Faulkner (not presented):

1. Amick’s Ferry Access Driveway: With the exception of some striping, the project is complete. Signage is posted and landscaping should be finished by the end of November.

2. Staffing: Mark Slice began his duties as the Media and Production Director on November 1st. He is working part time through the end of December, and will commence full time duties on January 1st. We are delighted to have Mark on the team.

3. Advent/Christmas. The Advent/Christmas season is going to be spectacular this year! There will be a full slate of worship opportunities over the next month, and the staff is excited to be a part of what the Lord is doing at CUMC.

2018 is shaping up to be an awesome year, staff is calendaring and planning with great excitement. There is a great momentum in place at CUMC, and we consider it a privilege to be part of this great work of God!

VII. UMW – Evelyn Anne Neal (not presented):

The success of our Chapin UMW can be measured in the fact that each circle has added new members and has continued to promote the purpose of the United Methodist Women by building our knowledge and faith in God. We seek to be whole persons through the power of Jesus Christ as we support each other and expand our concept of mission realizing that, though we may not be able to go personally to the mission field, the money that we raise can. We also realize that we live in the middle of a field of missionary need of all kinds. As a whole, the sisters of the Chapin UMW have learned that when we join together, we are a powerful force in the service of God!

Five Channels of Giving...
After our 2017 fundraisers including The Festival of Tables on August 26 which not only raised over $5000, but also promoted connections across age levels and encouraged participation from nonmembers, we were able to give funds to our 5 UMW missions individually according to identified needs plus to some additional missions close to our hearts... over and above our budgeted amounts...

To our 5 Channels of UMW Giving...
1. Rural Missions...$1000
2. Killingsworth Home for Abused Women, Columbia, SC...$800
3. Wallace Family Life Center...$800
4. Columbia Bethlehem Center...$150
5. Spartanburg Bethlehem Center...$800

Additional Chapin UMW Channels of Giving:
Epworth Children’s Home...$500
Mully Children’s Family, Kenya...$500
Home (in church) Mission...$500
Newberry Boy’s Farm...$500

Additional Channels of Giving in the Local Chapin Area:
HUB...$500    We Care...$500    Good Works...$500

Spiritual Growth/Advocacy/Social Action...Our September General Meeting had Susan Turner, one of the CUMC members of the mission team that went to Kenya and visited Mully Children’s Family, as our speaker. Susan gave an eye opening, heart wrenching view of the situation there and the wonderful work being done with Mully’s children.

Fellowship and outreach... Circles had summer activities with our 2 adopted cottages... The Boys in Grey Cottage and Girls in Stokes including a picnic on the lake.
Items were donated to We Care and Killingsworth. Terri Phillips organized several men and they built a storage room at the HUB.

Many members helped with, participated in, and attended Chapin UMC’s huge mission weekend GIC...Global Impact Celebration with missionaries from worldwide including Mully’s assistant from Kenya.
We have 6 women participating in the UMW Book Club, and 6 attended the Columbia District 45th Annual UMW Meeting at which Cornelia Smith was honored as Chapin UMW’s Woman of the Year.
Cards are sent to our members who are sick or shut in, and a birthday basket was sent to Caroline Connelly.
Chapin UMW Unit Officers have been elected for 2018-2019...
President...Cornelia Smith
Vice President...Pam Nesbitt
Treasurer...Terri Phillips
Secretary...Judy Hannah

Plus there are others who will chair 6 work areas.
Communication Chairman...Linda DuRant
Spiritual Growth Chairman...Ann Gainey
Social Action Chairman...Evie Shelton
Education and Interpretation Chairman...Joanne Brucker
Membership, Nurture, and Outreach Chairman...Leslie Watford
Secretary of Program Resource...Terri Phillips

As my 2 years as Chapin UMW comes to fruition, I have witnessed evidence of the Holy Spirit moving in and through these women as they work to fulfill our purpose to know God, experience freedom as whole
persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative and supportive fellowship, and to expand the concept of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

I hope that I have helped to accomplish a purpose of my own that I set for the Chapin UMW...To show members and staff of CUMC that the United Methodist Women are a powerful source of energy used by God, guided by the Holy Spirit, and filled with a strong faith in Jesus Christ the Son... a source of energy that has the gift of helps that began years ago with “The Church Ladies” (as I lovingly call them), but now has moved out of the kitchen into every area of the spiritual growth and mission of CUMC. God’s vision our mission...because our Lord knows the future; we pledge our hands... our feet... our minds... and our creativity to continue to do his work and to do it for God’s greater glory! Amen.

Next Church Council Meeting – January 18, 2018

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Gainey
Welcome: Rick Faulkner

Review of Minutes: Ann Gainey

Lead Pastor’s Report

Dessert
  - New or Old Business
  - What are you thankful for?

Closing Prayer