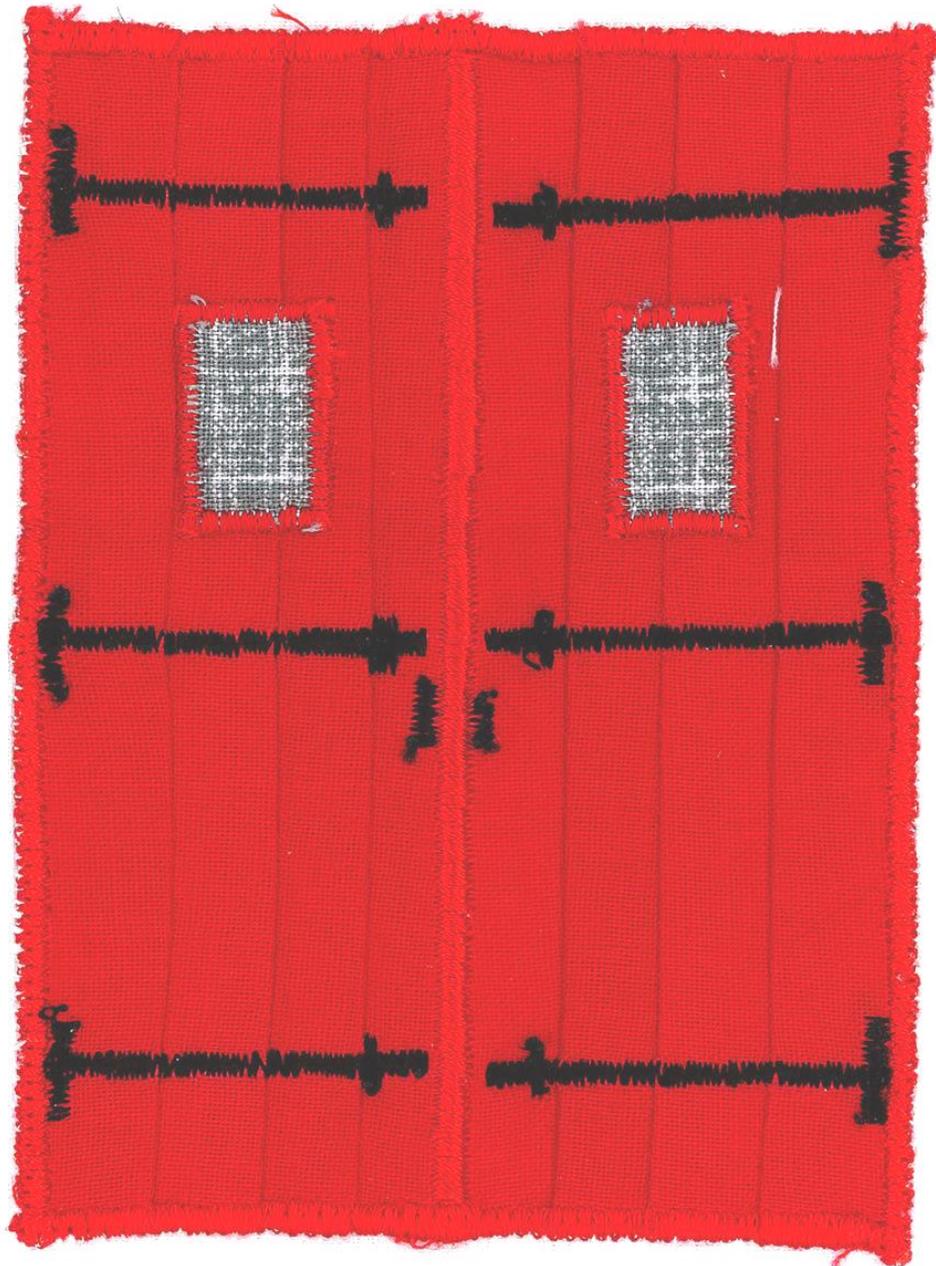


Hope United Church of Christ 2014 Annual Report of Staff, Council and Ministries



*"For where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them."*

Matthew 18:20

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HOPE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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2014 Pastors' Report to the Congregation

Dear Disciples,

As she toured through Hope church she said, "This is the prettiest of all-and so lovely and I can feel God's presence here." These are the comments by one of the more than 500 people who toured our church during the 2014 St. Louis Hills House Tour. Much of this year was spent preparing God's house to receive guests! Yet, preparation is nothing really out of the ordinary at Hope UCC. We prepare for the worship of almighty God and to welcome the stranger through our big red doors every day.

This year we have embarked on some special ways in which to prepare for our future and to welcome all who come our way. First, we celebrated the preparations that those who began our church made so many years ago as we celebrated our 70th anniversary. We took time in the Spring to look back and remember our beginnings in small portable trailers near Nottingham School in 1944. We remembered God's presence throughout our history in a special worship service and were graced with the presence of Ellamay Rall who is our last surviving charter member. We also gathered a small group of folks who have worked to build and organize a "Little Library" in the shape of a church with red doors which will be installed by the end of the year as a way to celebrate our anniversary and reach out to the community.

Next, we have assembled a group of folks, the Chapel Flexibility task force, who will prepare the original chapel for the next 70 years. With two spaces for worship configured similarly, we continued to answer the call to re-evaluate how one of those spaces could be recreated to serve and worship a dynamic God. The possibilities are exciting and sister Joyelle Proot of the Sisters of Notre Dame will serve as a spiritual director as we hear the Holy Spirit whisper guidance!

Financial concerns continue to be the biggest challenge for Hope church. Yet, despite our continuing financial constraints, it was a active year in the ministry of Jesus Christ that saw an increase in average worship attendance, the use of our building during the summer for Neighborhood Houses, an increase in visitors and the addition of several new members.

Finally, after surveying our congregation about our mission, we established an Evangelism and Communications team. They are studying the meaning of Evangelism while seeking to spread the Word of God and the treasure that is Hope Church to all who might come to "feel God's presence here".

Pastor Ed and Pastor Sarah

2014 Annual Report of the Hope UCC Church Council Paul Conner, Council President

In the movie *Shawshank Redemption*, Andy Dufresne (played by Tim Robbins) and Ellis Boyd Redding (“Red,” played by Morgan Freeman) engage in the following conversation, which initially deals with music. Dufresne first tells Red why they need music in prison (i.e., “on the inside”) and the conversation ensues from there.



Dufresne: [Regarding music...] You need it so you don't forget.

Red: Forget?

Dufresne: Forget that there are places in the world that aren't made out of stone. That there's something inside that they can't get to, that they can't touch. It's yours.

Red: What are you talking about?

Dufresne: Hope.

Red: Hope. Let me tell you something, my friend. Hope is a dangerous thing. Hope can drive a man insane. It's got no use on the inside. You better get used to that idea.

This exchange provides important fodder for Council's 2014 report to the Hope UCC congregation. As you'll see, the word “hope” has dual meaning in this report. It literally refers to Hope UCC and our work together, but also figuratively to the concept of internal, personal hoping, which, as Dufresne and Red's conversation brings to the surface, can be good and bad depending on the context and perspective.

Regarding the good and Hope UCC literally, we (both the Council and the entire Hope UCC congregation) accomplished a great deal in late 2013 and to this point in 2014.

David Kreighbaum, Jennifer Taylor, Erik Hazel, and Carol Sullivan Weis joined Council, and, with great and genuine appreciation and “we'll miss you” in our hearts, we said good-bye to Judy Owens, Jim Richmann, Lonny Davis, and Bryan Erwin. (Good-bye from Council, not as Hope UCC members!) The remaining team addressed many important issues with great sincerity, care, determination, effort, and, yes, “hope” for the future of Hope UCC.

The Council's work (and hope) followed and reflected the same from Hope UCC's members and visitors. As our Ministry Guidance undertaking (the survey and the Cottage Meetings) clearly indicated, the essence of Hope UCC is grounded in a sincere passion to seek, understand, and live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ and in so doing accept, affirm, and care for not only our members and visitors, but those in need throughout our local communities, our nation, and the world.

Here are some highlights of our work together in the past year:

- We continued to receive great spiritual leadership, care, and friendship from our pastors Sarah and Ed, as well as Josh Gibson, who remains with us as part of our wonderful family.
- We established a name tag and prayer petitions program to draw us even closer as a family.
- As mentioned above, we completed a Ministry Guidance study, which has already begun, and will continue, to move us forward with new activities and programs that help us live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For example, informed by what we heard, in September we formed an Evangelism and Communications Ministry.

- We saw, and continue to see, strong increases in attendance.
- Our Open & Affirming (ONA) Task Force made great strides in establishing and getting the word out about Hope UCC's concern and support for those who are often not welcomed and accepted for who they are.
- We brought palpable life to our worship services with significant and memorable sermons, fabulous music, and diverse worship styles (e.g., Taize).
- We set up a Deacon program to help with communion.
- We performed outstanding work on keeping our building and property working and safe. For example, we fixed roof leaks, replaced an ailing hot water heater, did much painting and cleaning, and updated our security system.
- Lonny Davis did, and continues to do, a fabulous job updating our website and making it a place to more easily do the work of Hope UCC.
- We offered our facility to the Neighborhood Houses' After School Program to educate and care for youth in need.
- With special efforts from Carol Sullivan Weis, we proudly showed off Hope UCC as part of the St. Louis Hills House Tour.
- Perhaps most impressively, through Alice Galt's and Kristine Wentzien's leadership and diligence, we made great strides in organizing and restructuring Hope UCC's finances to provide direction for positive movement forward. Hiring Gina Gladden, as well as modifying the Future of Hope Fund to be a reserve fund, were critical to this achievement.

These are just a few examples of what we accomplished together at Hope UCC. In addition, we continued to provide what have become traditional ministry efforts and Hope UCC events, including Epiphany breakfasts, Habitat for Humanity work, Isaiah 58 donations, visits to those who can no longer attend worship services, blankets, school supplies, dinners, a trivia night, and on and on.

As we look to the future, we see new and exciting events and activities right around the corner. These include what the Evangelism and Communications Ministry will bring, participation in the Little Libraries program, an updated church directory, and new ideas for our chapel space.

Yes, we saw plenty of "good hope" in the past year. But as Red said to Andy Dufresne, "hope is a dangerous thing," and "it's got no use on the inside." These are valuable warnings and apply as much for Hope UCC members and visitors as they do for the Shawshank inmates.

"Hope is a dangerous thing. It's got no use on the inside."

With a little adaptation, this perspective says hope is a dangerous thing if it's kept on the inside, remaining unrealized. Our hope for the future will only be realized with outward action from our members and visitors. And outward action means giving of our time, talent, and, yes, our treasure. We made great strides in clearly seeing our financial picture. And we

need our congregation to know that we face challenges. As with many institutions, we face close to

a 20-80 phenomenon – somewhere in the neighborhood of 20% of our members provide somewhere in the neighborhood of 80% of our work effort and financial assets. We simply cannot sustain and grow, which is our hope, with this formula. This is why hope can be ‘a dangerous thing.’ Truly, it ‘has no use on the inside,’ meaning it has to be realized in outward action.

Let’s keep moving forward in living out the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To invoke a common, but appropriate, phrase, ‘let’s keep Hope alive.’ When you consider your stewardship for 2015, please realize that our ministries need your outward action. Don’t ‘keep it on the inside.’ With your time, talent, and treasure, we can counter hope as a dangerous thing, realizing it as part of our responsibility in living out the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

May the peace of God through Jesus Christ find its way to your heart.

Paul Conner

Statistical Report for 2013/2014

Deaths

Jacqueline Schaefer	April 4, 2014*
Christopher James Hegger	April 19, 2014*
Milton Hoffman, Sr.	May 21, 2014
Beverly S. Knopf	July 12, 2014

**Friend of Hope*

New Members

Susan Meyer	December 8, 2013	Re-affirmation
Maggie Moss	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Sam Weber	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Gus Buck	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Sophie Ryan	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Clare Barbier	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Tyson Wilson	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Hannah Kakouris	April 13, 2014	Confirmation
Rachelle Gilham	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation
Mary Kohlmiller	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation
Richard LaFaver	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation
Angela Schubert	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation
Steve Phillips	July 27, 2014	Letter of Transfer
Glen Starks	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation
Valerie Starr	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation
Tiffany Young	July 27, 2014	Re-affirmation

Weddings

Andrew T. Hall and Melinda M Hazel	June 21, 2014
Ken Kupitz and Laura	June 21, 2014

Baptisms

Adalyn Viola Rae Lawrence *	March 16, 2014
Riley Nicholas Buelow	June 15, 2014
Adeline Rose Emerson	September 14, 2014

**Friend of Hope*

Statistics for the year October 2013 - October 2014

October 2013	451	Included pre-confirmation age children and non-members attending regularly
	16	New Members Added in 2013/2014
	-2	Members Deceased in 2013/2014
	-3	Members Removed by Transfer Request or Move
	3	New Pre-confirmation Age Children Added in 2013/2014
Congregation Total	465	

Average Attendance

Average worship attendance, 2012	153
Average worship attendance, 2013	129
Average worship attendance, 2014	131*

**Average includes 4th week of October 2013 through 3rd week of October 2014*

Music Ministry Annual Report 2014

Jim Threlkeld

The year has given many opportunities for individuals to utilize their musical talents. We continue a rotation of the choirs leading in worship music each week. The Family Choir of Hope and The Chancel Handbell Choir lead worship music on the third Sunday each month. The Chancel Choir leads worship music all other Sundays. The Handbell Ensemble continues to offer additional music in the 8:15 service various Sundays and in the 10:30 service on special occasions.

Hope Church extended the opportunity for me to once again attend Worship and Music Week at Montreat Conference Center in Montreat, NC. This was a week of education and renewal with 1,200 musicians from across the United States. This is a time to sharpen musical skills, learn new techniques of instruction in church music and find new ways of making worship more meaningful. While attending, I participated in classes of Advanced Handbell Ringing, Service Playing, and an Organ Master Class. Each day included sessions of reading and singing through new music for choirs of all ages. The week was very beneficial and I extend my sincere thanks to Hope Church for the opportunity.

A special thanks goes to several people who continue, with extra efforts, to keep our music program, "in tune." Judy Owens continues to accompany our choirs. Susie Richmann works to keep the children and youth singing. We say a special thanks to Kay Thurman, Susie Richmann, Judy Owens, Sophie Ryan, Gus Buck and Sharon Rose for providing music in our 8:15 service. Much of the time they do double duty and come back to the 10:30 service to sing, play bells or direct. Thanks to Lonny Davis who handles all the "behind the scenes" details with the handbell choirs, which includes the selection of music and making bell assignments for the ringers.

Looking forward into 2014/2015, you can expect all the choirs to continue with the rotation schedule. Christmas Music provided by the choirs of Hope Church will be presented on December 21, during the 10:30 service. The service will be in the form of Christmas Carol Festival. All choirs will participate along with special instrumentalists. The congregation will have an opportunity to sing favorite carols along with scripture readings.

I want to extend an invitation to come join the music program in some way. We have many musical people sitting in the pews that can help enhance the music program and worship. We all have busy lives. That is the reason the music program has been designed so individuals can participate one or two Sundays a month and not be committed every Sunday. Please talk to me about how you can become involved in this important ministry. There is a lot of music we can make to honor and worship God.

Jim Threlkeld

Annual Report of the Director of Children's Music 2014

Susie Richmann

I am thankful once again for the time I get to spend making music with the children and youth of Hope Church! They are a delightful group of people!

While Christmas and Easter are our biggest events, the Youth Choir (3rd grade and older) meets weekly to learn new pieces and new harmonies. And all children are invited come once a month to have music during the Sunday School hour.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity again to work with them. It is very rewarding as I watch them grow and learn!

Susie Richmann

Annual Report of the Coordinator of Youth and Children's Ministries 2014

Katie Mulhall

It has been an exciting and busy year for Youth and Children's Ministries here at Hope United Church of Christ!

First, there have been some exciting changes to our Sunday School Program this year. Since our previous curriculum was no longer going to be in publication, the committee and myself selected a new curriculum called "Shine." I also started a new program, Echo, with the 6-8th Graders. We have had wonderful teachers step up and volunteer to teach our youth throughout the year, and we held a "teacher brainstorming session" in August to help teachers get to know each other and become familiar with the new curriculum. To kick off our year, we held a "Back to School Brunch" again this year, which was complete with wonderful dishes and lots of wonderful fellowship and conversation. We have continued to hold Sunday School from 9:15-10:00 each week, and our classes have been going well. Susie Richmann continues to do music with our children every 4th Sunday of the month from 9:15-10:00. Another change we made this fall was to move our Kindergarten-2nd grade students that come downstairs for childcare during the service into the Friendly Room. Several of our wonderful parents have volunteered to work with these youth! Thanks to those volunteers!

We also restarted a group in the church called "POLO" (Parents of Little Ones), and we have been taking monthly trips to fun places around town like the Science Center, City Garden, Monkey Joes and much more! We are planning and "Parents Night Out" in November to bowl!

We also had some exciting events happening for our older youth here at Hope. In January, we went to a Christian concert downtown and then came back to Hope for a fun Lock In! Our youth also had a lot of fun jumping and playing basketball on our trip we took to SkyZone. Additionally, we have another Lock In scheduled for November 8th which should be a great time.

For most of this year, Patricia Beqari and Chelsea Spence, two seniors from Cor Jesu, continued to provide childcare for our children. However, they both were accepted to Mizzou and have moved

to campus to begin classes. Just before they left, we were very excited to welcome Jake Lepak to our childcare community. Just recently, we hired on Lizzy McCarthy and we are blessed to have her with us as well!

I look forward to a full and fun year with the youth and appreciate all the help from pastors, church staff, committee members and congregation members!

Katie Mulhall

Annual Report of the Building & Property Ministry 2014

Erik Hazel, Chair

The Building & Property Ministry has the honor of overseeing and maintaining the buildings and lands of what we are blessed to call Hope United Church of Christ. This Ministry also assists in the planning and coordination of capital improvement projects.

The Ministry holds regular face to face meetings on Ministry Night (usually the 2nd Thursday of each month), and other occasions as necessary (such as emergency meetings to address roof leaks, etc.). We would welcome anyone interested in helping out around the church, whether you decide to join or just be a “friend” of the Ministry. You don’t have to be an engineer or a carpenter. You don’t have to have a lot of expertise. (The chair of this Ministry is a prime example of that!) We need those with new ideas, who enjoy brainstorming. We would like to make this Ministry much more diverse than it is. So if you would like to know more about us, please contact any member or the church office.

Over the past years, this Ministry has been responsible for many major projects: We installed all new windows, completely revamped and improved the main office, added a new pastor’s office, and installed a new air conditioning system (which has brought our electricity bills down). However, given that this building is over a half century old, we also work on the smaller projects that help keep the building up to date. New problems pop up quite often, and it is up to us to make sure that everything is working well.

Several projects have been completed during 2014 include:

- We had the roof repaired to stop a multitude of leaks.
- We participated in making the Church presentable for the House Tour.
- We helped paint and update the main Narthex.
- A new snow blower has been purchased.
- We updated the security system throughout the building, including new door locks.
- We repainted the outside red doors.
- A new water heater has been installed in the main kitchen.
- We coordinated with the city when a huge tree branch fell on our roof.

Regular maintenance items include making sure that the chilled water air conditioning system is working well for the spring and summer seasons, checking the boiler system before the fall and winter seasons, inspecting the elevators, cleaning out the drains in the air conditioning units, normal yard work (such as mowing and mulching) and snow removal.

We have several ongoing projects that we continue to monitor and discuss as a group.

- There is a large crack in the floor of Fellowship Hall.
- There have been leaks in the Sanctuary that hopefully have been addressed by the latest roof repairs.
- Cracks on the wall need to be repaired in the Sanctuary.
- We are working with other members of the Congregation on the Chapel Renewal.
- We will be working with members of the Congregation to improve and upgrade the lighting in the Sanctuary (budget allowing).

- We will be replacing the door of the shed in the back of the church.
- We are working with the city of St. Louis to make permanent the stop signs at Eichelberger and Tamm, which will make us that much safer.

We have periodic “walk-throughs” with the office administrator and cleaning service representative to inspect the church for any new problem areas. (This would be a great project for any member of the Congregation who would like to get involved in a small way!)

We also have some “friends” of the Ministry who help out around the church. Shawn Ryan takes care of maintaining the fire extinguishers. Autum Jennings worked with Operation Brightside and procured a tree for us. Ian Blyth has offered his help on any outside projects. And Carol Sullivan Weis directed the House Tour and gave our Ministry some very valuable direction.

Come and join us!

Your Hope UCC Building and Property Ministry: Erik Hazel – Chair, Ron Zimmer – Scribe, Ethan Hale, Kay Maasen, Anna Mennerick, Terry Thuet, John Whitacre, Pete Weis and Randy Hall – Council Liaison

Annual Report of the Finance and Insurance Ministry 2014

Clinton Rice, Chair

The Finance and Insurance Committee was established in 1995 by the Church Council to advise the Council on the investment of the church’s Endowment, Future of Hope and other funds and insurance coverage. The committee meets periodically to review the progress of the investment program and to evaluate our insurance.

Investments:

The committee continued to monitor the performance and balance of the church’s investments in Russell Funds. No changes were made.

Insurance:

Our property, liability and worker’s comprehensive insurance continues to be purchased through the UCC Insurance Board. Our coverage includes general liability, as well as fire, storm, and earthquake damage. The committee maintains communication with the local agent to help ensure that our coverage is adequate.

Policy:

The committee formalized language in support of the current approach to use of earnings within the Endowment Fund, including a proposed amendment to the church’s bylaws and an internal committee policy to manage how much money is available from the Fund.

Other:

The committee used part of each quarterly meeting to examine internal fund balances and cash flows, ensuring that means existed to support ongoing operations of the church.

Leadership Team: Clinton Rice, Kay Thurman, Kristine Wentzien, Amy Kavanaugh, Andy Karcher, Terry Thuet and Lonny Davis

Annual Report of the Hospitality Ministry 2014

Carol Zimmer, Chair

The Hospitality Committee hosts the Fellowship Time immediately after the 8:15 a.m. service in the lounge area of the Chapel, and after the 10:30 a.m. service in the Sanctuary Narthex on Sunday mornings. We serve donuts, coffee, tea, and water. Coffee, tea, and cup expenses come out of the kitchen funds. Sometimes tea is donated. The committee buys the donuts and decorates the serving table with a theme for each month. Donuts and napkins are purchased ahead of time, and then we are reimbursed at the end of each month. Our Donut Donation Fund helps to keep this yummy Hospitality Treat on going. This fund was started about a year or so ago to make it convenient for the congregation and guests to linger and converse after each worship service.

This committee also decorates the big Fellowship Hall Bulletin Boards. One board is decorated with a monthly theme which includes congregational members' birthdays and anniversaries. On half of the other bulletin board we post pictures and names of new members, activities of the church, and/or a monthly theme. (The other half of this bulletin board is used for Sunday School and youth activities.) We also decorate the Eichelberger St. Entrance Bulletin Board.

We welcome any suggestions for improvement. Anyone wishing to be a part of this committee should contact any member on the committee. We would love to have you join us.

This committee extends our sympathy to the family of Bev Knopfel who passed away this past year. Bev served on this committee for many years and we are thankful to have had her serving the church in this way. She is very much missed.

Carol Zimmer, Chair, Donna Heinemann, Joyce Schubert and Ron Zimmer

Annual Report of the Outreach Ministry 2014

Clint McCann, Chair

The Outreach Ministry is responsible for administering, supporting and developing the mission work of Hope UCC. This is made possible by the generous gifts of time and the financial support of our members. The following agencies, events and programs were (or will be) supported by Hope UCC in 2014.

The Missouri Mid-South Conference of the United Church of Christ (or simply, the "Conference"). [It serves 163 congregations in Missouri, Arkansas and Memphis, TN.]

The Conference is the regional segment of our denomination; our Conference supports three different UCC associations, including the St. Louis Association. Our support of the Missouri Mid-South Conference which is listed below, also helps provide for our Conference staff, who diligently work on our behalf.

OCWM (Our Church's Wider Mission) The United Church of Christ's regional, national and global missions were assisted monetarily by our congregation. Denomination-wide offerings supported by Hope UCC included: Basic OCWM changes lives by strengthening our ecumenical relationships and global partnerships, by imagining and embodying a better world through prophetic witness and work, and by providing resources and programs to nurture the vitality of our United

Church of Christ congregations; OCWM Special Support appeals: **One Great Hour of Sharing** (Working in more than 80 countries, the offering provides hope to people in more than eighty countries); **Strengthen the Church** (sometimes known as Share the Love) grows the UCC's future by funding new church starts and invigorating existing congregations, nurturing lay and pastoral leadership, building youth and young adult ministries, supporting the God is Still speaking Ministry and its extravagant welcome for all within the United Church of Christ); **Neighbors in Need** (supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States); and **The Christmas Fund** (sometimes called Veterans of the Cross); helps provide supplemental monies for pension and health insurance premiums to low-income retirees. At Christmas, the offering provides gift checks to hundreds of annuitants, but it also provides emergency assistance to clergy and lay employees and their families throughout the year.

For 2013, Hope UCC was again designated as "5 for 5 Congregation." This designation specifies congregations that contribute to OCWM-both Basic Support and Special Support including all four of the special mission offerings listed in the previous paragraph.

Shannondale - This is a mission project of the UCC Missouri Mid-South Conference; the Shannondale Community Center serves the spiritual, educational and economic needs of Shannon and the surrounding counties.

The St. Louis Association of the United Church of Christ, or sometimes called the "Association" serves 50 congregations.

Hope's contributions to the Association helped with three prongs of the Association budget approved at the fall 2014 Association meeting. The first is Program costs including: Committee on Ministry; Preparation for Ministry; Interfaith Partnership; in-care book grants; and the Church Vitality Initiative. The second is Administrative costs including the spring and fall meetings which Hope's pastors and delegates attend; travel for Memphis/Little Rock delegates; contingencies; and administrative expenses. The third (and largest) is the Outreach prong of the St. Louis Association budget, which in 2014 supported numerous local programs including Neighborhood Houses, Isaiah 58, Joint Neighborhood Ministry, St. John's Community Services Ministry, Lydia's House, Union Communion Ministries, Ecumenical Campus Ministry, and Doorways. The Outreach Committee of the Association reviews applications for support, conducts site visits, and makes recommendations to the Association Council; the outreach budget for the coming calendar year is approved during the business meeting of the fall meeting of the St. Louis Association.

Blanket Sunday

Hope supports Church World Mission which provides blankets to people around the world during a crisis situation. CWM also provides materials and resources to poverty stricken communities. Hope's 2014 Blanket Sunday raised \$841.

Christmas Stockings And Mitten & Hat Tree

35 stockings were filled, donated and 49 hats, 41 pairs of gloves/mittens and 17 scarves were donated and delivered to **Neighborhood Houses**. Neighborhood Houses is a local UCC-related non-profit organization that, as it states on its website, "has supported low-income children and families of the inner core of St. Louis City since 1913. Though our community has changed over the years, our mission remains the same—Neighborhood Houses inspires children and families to reach their magnificent potential through transformative, educational and empowering experiences anchored in faith, hope and love."

Confirmation Sunday

On Palm Sunday of this year, seven members of Hope's confirmation class were confirmed. A gift of fifty dollars each was given in their honor to support an outreach mission of their choosing.

Families in Need Fund

This mission supports emergency based needs such as gasoline or food, through gift card giving and bags of food.

Habitat for Humanity

Hope will participate in the building of the 23rd UCC Habitat House on December 6h, 2014. Hope provides not only monetary contributions, but also much needed expert labor.

Heifer International

Through the Alternative Gift Fair in Advent, Hope supported the work of Heifer International and raised \$1,165. Heifer's mission is to end world hunger and poverty.

Isaiah 58

This is a long standing commitment of Hope - to provide food and monetary donations to this local agency which serves many people in need. In addition to our regular offerings throughout the year, our special campaigns again included the Buy-a-Bird campaign and the Thanksgiving Harvest food offerings, both in November.

Lydia's House

Throughout the Alternative Gift Fair in Advent, Hope supports the work of Lydia's House. Lydia's House provides transitional housing, locally for abused women and their children while working in faith to end domestic violence. Hope's congregation has long supported the good work done through Lydia's House, and this will certainly continue in the future.

Along with the sales of Lydia's House pins, (\$784), in 2013 Hope's congregation "adopted" a family living at Lydia's House during advent. We pledged to provide holiday gifts for members of the family. We also pledged to provide items for them to enjoy a Family Holiday Meal. There were many gifts given and shared by members and friends of Hope and we were able to meet and surpass the pledges we had made.

Neighborhood Houses

Neighborhood Houses is a UCC-related non-profit organization that, as it states on its website, "has supported low-income children and families of the inner core of St. Louis City since 1913." Hope UCC was chosen as one of three sites to provide structured day care and education from June 16 through July 31st, 2014. Approximately 35 children, ages 6-12, along with their caring and capable staff, utilized Hope's Fellowship Hall (as well as Francis Park!), Monday-Friday during these weeks. Activities included academics, physical education, art, and field trips, as well as lunch and healthy snacks.

Ronald McDonald Family Room

A group of volunteers known as the "Hope McCliques" staff two three-hour shifts each week in the family room at Cardinal Glennon Hospital.

St. Louis Metro CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Hunger Walk

Operation Food Search and Church World Service sponsor this local effort to keep up the fight against hunger and poverty. Members of our congregation both provide funds and walk! "We Walk Because They Walk."

Summer Food Drive, 2014

The Outreach Committee sponsored Hope UCC's Summer Food Drive which ran from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Through the tremendous generosity of the congregation, a total of

approximately 881 meals and personal care items were collected for The St. Louis Area Foodbank which then distributes the food to 26 nearby county food pantries in Missouri and Illinois.

****Looking ahead to 2015**

The Outreach Ministry looks forward to Hope UCC becoming a Global Mission Church as we continue our local ministries and “journey beyond our national boundaries to engage in God’s transforming missions.”

“Why is it important to be a Global Mission Church?”

The Church exists by and for God’s mission in the world...to claim the church’s core identity as a global mission church in all of its expressions, and calls on the church to live out this commitment in all current and future mission priorities.

A Global Mission Church:

1. prays regularly for partners, missionaries and the world.
2. educates its members about global issues from preschool age to adult.
3. seeks justice for the “least of these” in the international community.
4. receives the gifts of the global church.
5. gives to the work of global mission.
6. sends its members into the world to share the Good News of Jesus.
7. and grows in sharing the story of God’s mission with others.

Source: www.globalministries.org

Outreach will happily work with members of the congregation in support of efforts that are proposed for continued or new support.

Leadership Team: Andrea Aughinbaugh, Gus Buck, Clint McCann (chair), Carolyn Mulhall, Sue Rainer (council liaison), Shawn Ryan, and supporting friends, Lonny Davis, Ken DeNeal, Dan Fagnani and Katie Mulhall.

Annual Report of the Pastoral and Staff Relations Ministry 2014

P.J. Wentzien, Chair

The ministry’s primary mission is to provide support and guidance for the pastors, church staff, any Eden Seminary intern (contextual education student), and any student in-care member. We serve as liaison between those persons and the church membership. We meet monthly, and are on-call to address any issues that may arise.

This calendar year included a reception for our contextual education student, Josh Gibson. We have met formally and informally with both pastors and have held our regular annual conversations with the other staff. Those conversations focus on job description, duties and satisfaction. We met with our contextual education student after his sermons to provide him with feedback.

Leadership: Lynne McCall, Judy Owens, Jennifer Taylor (council liaison), Kay Thurman, P.J. Wentzien.

Annual Report of the Special Events Ministry 2014

Susie Richmann, Chair

The special events committee is a hard working group of men and women of the church who love bringing people together. From our annual spaghetti dinner to trivia night to pancake breakfast to soup and salad dinners, we love to see all of you enjoying each other's company.

When we decide on an event, we will invite all to join us as we think of new and better ways to serve the congregation. Any and all people and ideas are welcome.

We look forward to upcoming events, and we hope to see many of you join us in planning, working, or attending in whatever manner you can.

Annual Report of the Stewardship Ministry 2014

Jim Richmann, Chair

The Stewardship Ministry is responsible for education and interpretation of stewardship issues throughout each year. The ministry meets monthly with Pastor Ed to discuss the meaning of stewardship, and how we can grow the mission of Hope UCC by increasing giving.

The theme for our 2014 Stewardship Campaign was based on the red doors of the church, which welcome us every Sunday. For the "Sharing the Red Doors" campaign, a color image of Hope's red doors was placed on this year's pledge cards. The Ministry came up with a wonderful idea: Sharing Bags were put together containing the pledge cards, a candle, and materials concerning the many good things that come from Hope UCC. The bags were delivered to Tour Guides, who would pass the bags on to the next person on the list and keep track of progress as the bags went from member to member. The instructions were to take two deep breaths, light the candle, read the material about all Hope does, meditate and then fill out the pledge card. The bags were delivered, pledge cards were filled out, and the bags were passed on to other Hope members. Pledge cards were also mailed to members, to make sure everyone was covered. To celebrate, the names of people who pledged were put on a graphic of the doors and hung up in the Sanctuary.

We were grateful to the members of Hope UCC for their response to our campaign efforts. The bags provided new opportunities for us to feel connected to each other in stewardship as the community of Hope UCC. The increased awareness of all that Hope does is leading to increased giving, allowing Hope UCC to have a vibrant mission.

Last year's "Step Up" campaign was very successful, leading to an increase in stewardship from the members of Hope UCC. A number of speakers made personal appeals during services to tell how Hope UCC has done great things for them. Speakers discussed how they were "stepping up" to give more so Hope can fulfill the many missions we do.

Our goals in 2015 remain:

- Encouraging increased giving to the church
- Developing a Planned Giving Program

Leadership Team: Jim Richmann (Chair), Alice Galt, Anna Mennerick, and Dan Casey

Dave Kreighbaum, Board Liaison to Stewardship Ministry

Annual Report of the Worship and Liturgical Arts Ministry 2014

Gary Bogener, Chair

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2013

The 2013 Worship and Liturgical Arts Ministry wrapped up the final two months of 2013 with several activities, including...

- The annual Totenfest observance was held on November 3rd, with a slide show showing photos submitted by the congregation of past and current saints in their lives as well as special music provide by Pastor Sarah McCann and Eden intern Josh Gibson.
- Music from Godspell was incorporated into the November 17th 10:30 worship service to coincide with about 30 Hope members attending the Broadway touring production of Godspell the previous evening at Peabody Opera House.
- The annual Harvest Home service was observed on November 24th in which fresh produce was collected and taken by Youth & Children to Isaiah 58.
- Carol Weis coordinated the purchase and hanging of the advent wreaths that were paid for by contributions from the congregation.
- The Hanging of the Greens was coordinated with Breakfast for Santa on December 7th.
- Thanks to Joyce DeNeal's coordination, all groups and ministries within Hope were a part of the lighting of the Advent candle.
- Congregation members were again given the opportunity to purchase poinsettia's that adorned the sanctuary for the Christmas program and Christmas Eve service.

JANUARY / FEBRUARY

- In January the new 2014 ministry team formed, consisting of Jim Threlkeld, Martha Whitacre, Joyce DeNeal, Annalise McCann, Tom Mennerick and Gary Bogener. Gary retained his role as chairman and Tom volunteered to serve as secretary.
- The first event was the Baptismal Renewal on January 19th which featured a water theme and each congregation member receiving a glass bead to serve as a reminder of their baptism.
- A new observance, Seminary and Vocation Sunday, was held on February 23rd. Eden Seminary student Nkemba Ndjungu from the Democratic Republic of the Congo was the guest pastor.

MARCH / APRIL

- The worship ministry assisted Lonny Davis in the coordination of the Kenyon College Choir visit to Hope on March 1st.
- The Easter season activities included the ordering of eco palms from Guatemala for Palm Sunday; assisting the pastors in incorporating a meal into the Maundy Thursday service and

offering the congregation the opportunity to order Easter lilies to decorate the sanctuary for Easter Sunday.

- The ONA renewal service culminated with the congregation having a group photograph taken in front of the marquee and the new rainbow comma signs.

MAY / JUNE

Pentecost Sunday was observed on June 8th and the sanctuary was decorated with hanging red, orange and yellow paper lanterns thanks to Ethan Hale.

JULY / AUGUST / SEPTEMBER

A “Christmas in July” service was held July 27th in which a collected was taken for the purchase of new Christmas trees, \$1,073 was collected... thanks to all who contributed!

OCTOBER

World Communion Day was observed October 5th which included five international students from Eden Seminary bringing forth the communion elements and one reciting the Lord’s Prayer in his native language.

In addition, the Worship and Liturgical Arts Ministry is responsible for coordination of monthly communion, liturgists, ushers, the conference call, sight and sound board operators and acolytes. Most of those activities are coordinated by people outside the core ministry team and through sign-up sheets...thanks to all who assist in the coordination of any of these responsibilities and for also playing a part of Hope worship services.

Special thanks to the ‘friends’ of the Worship and Liturgical Arts Ministry who assist throughout the year, including: Sue Casey, Alice Galt, Judy Owen, Robbie Van Nest and Carol Sullivan-Weis.

Annual Report of the Youth and Children’s Ministries Ministry 2014 Katie Zimmer, Co-Chair and Sarah Erwin, Co-Chair

It has been a joy, continuing to work with Katie Mulhall, as our Coordinator of Children’s Ministries. We are grateful for her energy and leadership!

As we continue to educate our children with Bible lessons and learning activities, we feel very blessed and thankful to have excellent teachers and helpers who give of their time, talents and love. We continue to divide the church school year into 4 units, so the leadership responsibilities can be shared by many. We support and appreciate our pastors, as they plan for adult education. We are thankful to be able to provide childcare for our youngest members on Sundays, as well as during various activities of the week.

We continue to appreciate the wonderful work of Susie Richmann, our Director of Children’s Music. We are thankful for her talents as she leads our children in singing praises to God!

Easter Sunday brought the 1st visit of Sophie, the Easter Bunny. She greeted children in the Chapel, then led everyone to the park for our Easter egg hunt. Thanks be to God, for the glorious weather, and for this opportunity to celebrate new life and Jesus’ Resurrection.

We were excited to have yet another excellent and successful Vacation Bible School Program this summer. We are grateful to the leaders and helpers for offering this program to the community. Thanks most especially to Jeanne Ryan and Sara Karcher for coordinating this fantastic week!

We were happy to support our young people who attended Camp MoVal in Union, MO during the summer.

During September, we coordinated the collection of school supplies for children who attend the after-school program at Neighborhood Houses.

At this writing, our committee is getting ready to support the planning of a Hope Halloween party. Then, we look toward the Advent season and helping to coordinate the Christmas Pageant.

Bethel Hale

Leadership Team: Katie Mulhall, Staff, Kristine Wentzien, Council Liaison, Phil Barbier, Jennifer Conrad, Kathy Hall, Sarah Erwin, Katie Zimmer, Bethel Hale

**HOPE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
MINUTES OF 2013 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 2013**

OPENING: Council President Judy Owens called the 2013 Annual Meeting to order at 11:25 a.m. It was determined that a quorum was present with 72 members being in attendance. Andy Karcher was appointed parliamentarian.

Pastor Sarah led the congregation in prayer followed by the opening hymn.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Les Neal, and seconded by Autum Jennings for the approval of the minutes of the 2012 Annual Meeting as submitted. This motion was approved unanimously.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Randy Hall, Vice President of Council and head of the Nominating Committee presented the Nominating Committee report. He submitted Erik Hazel, Carol Sullivan Weis, and Dave Kreighbaum as additions to the nominations for Church Council.

A motion was made by Phil Barbier and seconded by Paul Conner to approve the Nominating Committee Report. This motion was approved unanimously.

PROPOSED PLEDGES TO OCWM AND ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION: Pastor Sarah stated that the proposed pledge to Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM) for 2014 is \$5,000. The proposed pledge to the St. Louis Association is \$3,500. The motion to approve these pledge amounts was approved unanimously.

MINISTRY CELEBRATIONS: A video made by Emma and Zoe Aughinbaugh on the San Antonio Mission Trip was shown.

PROPOSED 2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET:

Pastor Ed introduced the 2014 General Fund Narrative Budget. The Narrative Budget was presented in four categories:

- Worship & Music - \$128,548.00
- Christian Education & Discipleship - \$64,123.00
- Pastoral Care & Fellowship - \$140,952.00
- Outreach - \$36,477.00

It was noted that the Outreach budget does not include the pledges to OCWM and St. Louis Association.

The total for the budget categories is \$370,100.00. The estimated income, based on commitment cards and previous giving is \$322,000.00.

Pastor Ed discussed the nature of this budget and the status of current giving. He stated that there is a deficit to make up and will be addressed in cottage meetings in early 2014.

A motion was made by Ron Zimmer and seconded by Robin Brannam to adopt the budget as presented.

Tom Mennerick stated that he is looking forward to the discussions about how we can move forward as a community.

Tim Mulhall asked what expenses we have looked at cutting. Pastor Ed stated that we have been cutting for years. We need to make these decisions together, and talk about what we give up when we make more cuts. We will not be a church that wakes up one day when it is too late.

Tim Mulhall asked about the current balance of the Future of Hope Fund. Jim Richmann stated that as of October 31, the balance is \$49,239.38.

Phil Barbier called for the question. Judy Owens called for the vote. The vote was 71 in favor, one opposed. The motion was passed.

CLOSING: Judy Owens closed the meeting at 12:10 p.m. A closing hymn followed with a closing prayer and benediction from Pastor Ed.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Conrad, Assistant Council Secretary

2014 Report of the Nominating Committee
Nominating Committee: Randy Hall & Dan Fagnani

*(Names in **Bold Italics** represent proposed new additions to the Ministry)*

Ministries

Church Council

Randy Hall	2015
Kristine Wentzien	2015
Paul Conner	2015
Andy Karcher	2015
Jennifer Taylor	2016
Erik Hazel	2016
Carol Sullivan Weis	2016
David Kreighbaum	2016
Alice Galt	2017
TBA	2017
TBA	2017
TBA	2017

Building & Property

Erik Hazel
Ron Zimmer
Pete Weis
John Whitacre
Ethan Hale
Terry Thuet
Randy Hall- Council Liaison
Kay Maassen
Anna Mennerick
Shawn Ryan – Friend

Finance & Insurance

Clinton Rice
Sue Casey
Lonny Davis
Amy Kavanaugh
Kay Thurman
Kristine Wentzien
Andy Karcher
Alice Galt- Council Liaison

Hospitality

Carol Zimmer
Joyce Schubert
Donna Heinemann
Bev Knopf
Ron Zimmer

Carolyn Mulhall- Council Liaison
Kay Thurman- Friend
Robin Brannam- Friend

Outreach

Clint McCann
Gus Buck
Shawn Ryan
Sue Rainer – Council Liaison
Carolyn Mulhall
Andrea Aughinbaugh
Katie Mulhall – Friend
Ken DeNeal- Friend

Pastoral and Staff Relations

Kay Thurman
P.J. Wentzien
Lynne McCall
Judy Owens
Jennifer Taylor- Council Liaison
Dan Fagnani- Friend

Special Events

Nicky Mangus
Nancy Oberheuser
Carol Brueggenjohann
Penny Steffen
Dan Fagnani
Barb Hobart
Scott Knopfel
Paul Conner
Mary Ann Mikusch
Carol Zimmer
Charlie Mikusch
Carol Sullivan Weis- Council Liaison

Stewardship

Alice Galt
Anna Mennerick
Jim Richmann
Dan Casey
David Kreighbaum- Council Liaison

Youth & Children's Ministry

Katie Mulhall
Katie Zimmer
Bethel Hale
Sarah Erwin
Jennifer Conrad
Kathy Hall

Sarah Karcher

Teri Naismith- Friend

Judy Owens- Friend

Phil Barbier – Friend

Kristine Wentzien- Council Liaison

Worship & Liturgical Arts

Gary Bogener

Jim Threlkeld

Tom Mennerick

Martha Whitacre

Joyce DeNeal

Valerie Starr

Alice Galt- Friend

Sue Casey- Friend

Judy Owens- Friend

Carol Sullivan Weis- Friend

Robbie Van Nest- Friend

Lynn Bodicky - Friend

Delegates to the St. Louis Association, Missouri Mid-South UCC

Dan Fagnani

Carolyn Mulhall

Ron Zimmer

Delegates to the Missouri Mid-South Conference UCC

TBA

TBA

Ecumenical Representatives

Kay Thurman

Martha Whitacre

General Fund Budget Plan for 2015 and Actuals through September 30, 2014

Account Name	2015 Proposed	2014 Budget	% Change	2014 YTD Budget	2014 YTD Actual	2014 Budget vs. Actual
INCOME AND TRANSFERS						
Weekly General Fund Offering (1)	\$299,960.00	\$259,000.00	15.8%	\$194,247.00	\$219,421.17	\$25,174.17
Initial Offering	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
General Fund Stock Gifts (2)	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	-100%	\$11,250.00	\$9,761.04	(\$1,488.96)
Holiday General Fund Offering	\$4,500.00	\$5,800.00	-22.4%	\$3,103.00	\$2,602.00	(\$501.00)
Contribution to Building Use	\$8,400.00	\$7,300.00	15%	\$4,275.00	\$7,170.00	\$2,895.00
Scrip Income	\$300.00	\$1,000.00	-70%	\$747.00	\$247.25	(\$499.75)
Revolving Accounts Income / Operating Fund (3)	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-100%	\$5,003.00	\$5112.63	\$109.63
TOTAL GENERAL FUND INCOME	\$313,160.00	\$289,100.00	8%	\$218,625.00	\$244,314.09	\$25,689.09
TRANSFERS						
Reserve Fund Support (4)	\$6,000.00	\$18,240.00	0%	\$13,684.50	\$13,684.50	\$0.00
Endowment Fund Earnings General Fund Support (5)	\$12,600.00	\$12,300.00	2%	\$9,225.00	\$9,225.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME AND TRANSFERS	\$331,760.00	\$319,640.00	4%	\$241,534.50	\$267,223.59	\$25,689.09
PERSONNEL EXPENSES						
Pastor Zumwinkel's Compensation (6)	\$69,863.95	\$73,540.83	-5%	\$55,257.00	\$59,342.20	(\$4,085.20)
Pastor McCann's Compensation (6)	\$51,478.53	\$54,187.92	-5%	\$40,644.00	\$41,683.20	(\$1,039.20)
Coordinator of Youth and Children's Ministry Compensation	\$7,210.00	\$7,210.00	0%	\$5,409.00	\$5,444.40	(\$35.40)
Director of Music Compensation (7)	\$25,619.00	\$25,619.00	0%	\$19,707.00	\$19,707.00	\$0.00
Director of Children's Music Compensation	\$2,637.00	\$2,637.00	0%	\$2,029.00	\$2,028.40	\$0.60
Office Administrators Compensation	\$24,905.00	\$24,905.00	0%	\$18,949.00	\$19,083.44	(\$134.44)
Building Care (Ethan Hale) Compensation	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	0%	\$1,350.00	\$1,448.27	(\$98.27)
Eden Intern Compensation (8)	\$0.00	\$4,230.00	-100%	\$2,239.38	\$2,239.38	\$0.00
Employee Benefits (9)	\$42,333.50	\$44,031.42	-4%	\$33,024.00	\$32,599.74	424.26
Employer's Portion of Benefits	\$7,024.00	\$7,194.00	-2%	\$5,148.00	\$5,114.94	\$33.06
Pastor Zumwinkel's Pastoral Expenses Reimbursement (10)	\$1,500.00	\$2,500.00	-40%	\$1,872.00	\$1,188.46	\$683.54
Pastor McCann's Pastoral Expenses Reimbursement (10)	\$1,500.00	\$2,500.00	-40%	\$1,872.00	\$1,469.21	\$402.79
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	\$236,170.98	\$250,355.17	-5%	\$187,500.38	\$191,348.64	(\$3,848.26)

General Fund Budget Plan for 2015 and Actuals through September 30, 2014

Account Name	2015 Proposed	2014 Budget	% Change	2014 YTD Budget	2014 YTD Actual	2014 Budget vs. Actual
MINISTRY, PROGRAM AND DELEGATE EXPENSES (11)						
Church Council	\$450.00	\$490.00	-8%	\$36.00	\$335.00	(\$299.00)
Greeter's Ministry	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hospitality Ministry	\$150.00	\$2,150.00	-93%	\$1,617.00	\$1,506.17	\$110.83
Pastoral and Staff Relations Ministry	\$90.00	\$100.00	-10%	\$72.00	\$72.90	(\$0.90)
Stewardship Ministry	\$360.00	\$750.00	-52%	\$297.00	\$210.71	\$86.29
Worship and Liturgical Arts Ministry	\$4,387.50	\$5,000.00	-12%	\$3,747.00	\$4,170.56	(\$423.56)
Youth and Children's Ministry	\$11,000.00	\$12,425.00	-11%	\$10,407.00	\$6,722.13	\$3,684.87
Adult Education Program	\$270.00	\$300.00	-10%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Conference and Association Delegates	\$180.00	\$400.00	-55%	\$297.00	\$50.00	\$247.00
TOTAL MINISTRY, PROGRAM AND DELEGATE EXPENSES	\$16,887.50	\$21,615.00	-22%	\$16,473.00	\$13,067.47	\$3,405.53
OFFICE AND BUILDING OPERATIONS EXPENSES						
Office Operations (12)	\$12,040.00	\$16,020.00	-25%	\$15,164.35	\$9033.70	\$6,130.65
Building Operations	\$24,600.00	\$24,100.00	2%	\$18,078.00	\$18,592.33	(\$514.33)
Repairs and Maintenance	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00	-9%	\$8,250.00	\$8,832.91	(\$582.91)
Utilities	\$25,500.00	\$25,500.00	0%	\$18,378.00	\$20,413.29	(\$2,035.29)
Insurance	\$24,062.50	\$21,875.00	10%	\$16,407.00	\$15,731.25	\$675.75
TOTAL OFFICE AND BUILDING OPERATIONS EXPENSES	\$96,202.50	\$98,495.00	-2%	\$76,266.35	\$72,603.48	\$3,662.87
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$349,260.98	370,465.17	-6%	\$280,239.73	\$277,019.59	\$3,220.14
Expenses vs. Income	(\$17,500.98)	(\$50,825.17)				

NOTES

1. Projected stock gifts are now folded into Weekly General Income, thus the actual percentage of change is %10.
2. General Fund Stock Gifts will not be budgeted in 2015.
3. Revolving Accounts Income includes Dierbergs/Shop 'N Save Grocery Script Income and is currently under review.
4. The Future of Hope Fund amount transferred to the General Fund is determined by figuring 20% of the Fund balance on August 1 of the current year.
5. The Endowment Fund Earnings amount transferred to the General Fund is determined by the formula approved by the congregation on October 9, 2011.
6. In 2015, Pastor Ed's and Pastor Sarah's salary will be reduced by 5%.
7. Jim Threlkeld's salary will be below American Guild of Organist's compensation guidelines for 2013-2014.
8. Council approved to discontinue Eden Intern for 2015
9. Employee Benefits reduced by 5% due to Pastor Salary reductions for 2015
10. The Pastoral Expenses Reimbursements were reduced in 2015.
11. All ministry, program and delegate expenses reduced by 10% in effort to reduce the deficit for 2015.
12. The decreased in Office Operations expenses is reduced in effort to reduce the deficit for 2015.

Outreach Ministry Estimated Giving Plan for 2015 and Actuals through October 20, 2014

Account Name	2015 Proposed	2014 Budget	2014 YTD Actual
OCWM (OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION)	To Be Decided	0	5846.50
ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION	To Be Decided	0	4633.50
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST LOCAL MINISTRIES			
Eden Seminary			425.00
Emmaus Homes			125.00
Every Child's Hope			0.00
Neighborhood Houses			255.00
Shannondale			25.00
UCC Habitat for Humanity			230.00
TOTAL LOCAL MINISTRIES			1060.00
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST NATIONAL MINISTRIES			
One Great Hour of Sharing			545.87
Strengthen the Church			498.00
Neighbors in Need			309.00
Christmas Fund (Veterans of the Cross)			0.00
TOTAL NATIONAL MINISTRIES			1352.87
OTHER MINISTRIES			
Church World Service Blanket Sunday			1361.00
Doorways			95.00
Epiphany Breakfast Ministry			821.16
Families in Need			788.81
Gateway ONA			488.00
Heifer International			321.58
Isaiah 58 Ministries			1094.42
Lydia's House			77.00
Special Ministries			230.00
TOTAL OTHER MINISTRIES			5276.97
TOTAL OUTREACH			18,169.84