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Winter Schedule:

9:00 am Adult Sunday School
10:15 am Worship for Everyone & Kids Church

Looking Ahead:

Fridays in March – RCCM Lenten Lunch Series at various locations
Sundays in March – Trinity Lenten Lunches Series after church
March 11 – Girl Scout Sunday
March 25 – Palm Sunday
March 29 – Maundy Thursday
March 30 – Good Friday
April 1 – Easter
May 20th at 4:30 – Spring Handbell Concert

February 2018



Trinity United Methodist Church

Pastor's Perspective

⁸ The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. ⁹ For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

¹⁰ According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it.

1 Corinthians 3:8-10(NRSV)

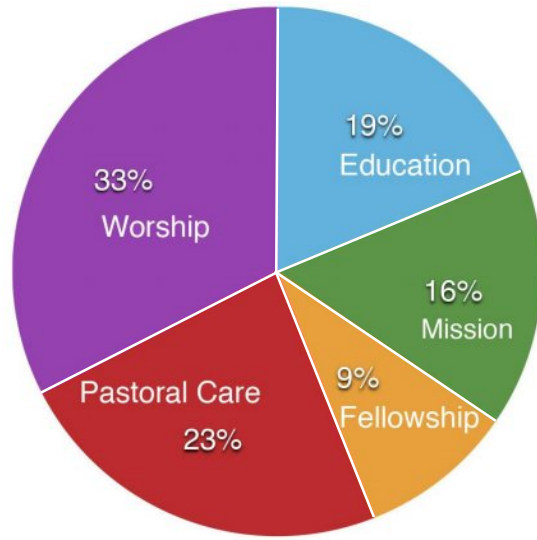
Dear Siblings in Christ,

Thank you so much for your financial support of the ministries of Trini-

ty United Methodist Church. Your generosity in 2017 translated into meeting 95.5% of our operating budget while raising \$250,691 for the Trinity Restoration and Renovation capital funds drive. Well done, good and faithful servants!

The 2018 budget for Trinity United Methodist Church is \$207,964 (about \$1,300 less than last year). Please allow me illustrate the many ways your generosity will become the hands, heart, and actions of Christ in the world this year.

The pie chart to the right spreads our total expenses across five different ministry areas so it's easier to visualize what the church DOES with the money rather than just focusing on how much particular things cost. The term for this description of finances is called a "narrative budget" For instance, the annual building expenses add up to nearly \$35,000, which seems like a lot, but when you spread that cost over all of the areas from which congregation and the community benefit you can see what a good deal we get. We are not just pouring our money into a building that needs to be fixed, but we are making a difference in Idaho Falls.



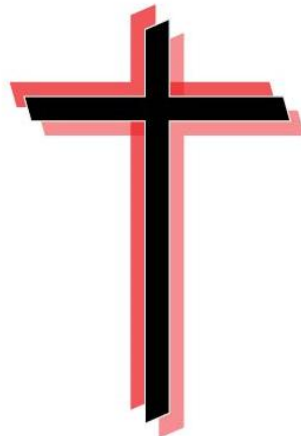
ability to care for the beautiful building they completed 100 years ago. I invite you to be part of prayerfully and purposefully fulfilling their well placed confidence in us. The Trinity UMC leadership team and I ask that you will continue to be generous in your support for both the annual budget and the Trinity Restoration and Renovation capital fund campaign; and once again, thank you!

Last year when I wrote the 2017 version of this letter, the Trustees were still assessing the needs and costs of building restoration and renovation.

The final grant application to Partners for Sacred Places requested \$190,000 based on a total project cost of \$570,000. We will receive the first half of our award soon, and hope to begin work as weather permits this spring.

These monies will be used to restore masonry, put an entirely new roof over the sanctuary, build additional bathrooms and an upstairs kitchen to meet 21st century needs of the congregation and community.

The founders of Trinity believed in our



In Christ's Service,

Rev. Ruth Marsh

Trinity United Methodist Church - Annual Budget Pledge sheet for 2018

With the financial resources that God entrusts to me/us, I/we desire to join with my/our fellow sisters and brothers in Christ at Trinity UMC to be a blessing to this world that hungers for God's grace.

I/we would like to share these resources by:

(1) Offering \$_____ per week/month (circle one).

OR

(2) Offering ____% of my/our income, which currently equals about \$____ per week/month (circle one).

Name(s): _____

(If, at any time, you wish to increase, decrease, or cancel your estimate of financial support, please notify our church's Financial Secretary in the church office at 522-7921.)

Please find above a "pledge" form. Use it in any way that is helpful to you. That might mean filling it out and then returning it to the church office, or it may mean having it at home as a reminder of your personal financial commitment to this worshiping community. Thank you from Reverend Ruth and the Finance Committee.

SHROVE TUESDAY

**February 13 at 6:30pm
Pancake Dinner and Races**

Come have food and fun as we prepare for the Lenten season !



Regional Council for Christian Ministry

Bev Kemp reported that FISH (Faith in Service Here) had provided school supplies to 781 in 2017. They recently received a large donation of notebooks that they wanted to share with another non-profit group. It was suggested that they contact the Development Workshop. *The greatest need this month is deodorant.*

David Manson, executive director of the Community Food Basket Idaho Falls presented three action items to the board.

Now that the food basket is overseeing the soup kitchen, David realized the need for an executive assistant. The RCCM board approved a motion to hire someone who would work 20 hours a week at \$10 per hour to make sure everything runs smoothly.

The second item was his request for approval to write a grant proposal to the United Way for \$50,000. The board approved and agreed that he does not need our approval to submit a proposal in the future due to time limitations.

The third item was to use the grant from the City of Idaho Falls towards the lease of a truck to pick up local donations and those from the Idaho Food Bank in Pocatello. The lease includes

driver training, towing and repair, and insurance. The board approved the lease.

David provided more details about each item in his director's report which can be found on the Trinity website.

David also invited everyone to the new warehouse for a Souper Bowl Party on February 4th. This will be a potluck party while watching the game. Admission is a can of food.

Pastor Tom Shanor from the Little Church in the Pines announced that, after prayerful contemplation, he will be staying on as Pastor there for two more years. The congregation is very excited and are actively looking for housing for him so that he doesn't have to travel from Idaho Falls each week.

This year's Lenten Series will begin on February 23rd. Watch for more information.

The next meeting will be held February 20th at First Lutheran Church at 7pm. All are welcome to come and find out more about mission in our community. Please contact Linda Milam or Sara Jensen for more information.

RCCM

United Methodist Women—UMW -- Mary Nagel

Happy New Year to you all!!!

January 28th was UMW Sunday. Thanks to the women for their participation.

February!

It will be here before we know it!

Thursday, February 8th will be our unit meeting at 1:00 in the Parlor. New members to the unit will be

recognized. The Ethel Clark Circle will host. Marilyn Taylor and Kathy Gaskill have an interesting and fun filled program. Let's have a good turn out and greet our new members!!!



Scouting News -- Robin Stewart



Girl Scouts.

Girl Scout Troop 60 /62

Troop 60 enjoyed a meeting at the Edge Climbing Gym led by Annika Olson on January 25.

We are planning to take the girls outside on February 10 for a day trip to enjoy cross country skiing or snow shoeing at Craters of the Moon or Harriman.

Plans for the meetings include crafting with Valerie, cookie sale preparation, service, and team building for the girls.



Boy Scout Troop 6

Preparations are being made for the upcoming Winteree which is a winter campout with all the other troops from the Grand Teton Council Eagle Rock District. Several ribbons were earned by the boys, notably a perfect score in orienteering!

Upcoming events include the annual snow caving outing next month, and the March cross country trip to the Warm River cabin in the wilds of Island Park.

Committee members, please remember to check your boxes at the church regularly.

Kids Corner - Betty Anderson

Trinity has all sorts of activities for children.

- During Sunday worship, kids will be released for “Kids Time” in the Parlor for stories and activities suitable for them. All ages are welcome and the older youth assist younger ones. The Nursery is available for kids under 3 years of age.
- Each Sunday we want kids to continue helping in the worship as acolytes, readers, ushers, musicians, and some older trained youth in the sound booth.
- Please Volunteer. A schedule will be made 1-4 weeks in advance. Parents are welcome to assist also. Let us know how and when you can serve the church family.
- The Season of Lent begins on Tues. February 13 with Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Pancake Races with fun for all ages. 6:30 p.m.
- Ash Wednesday, on February 14, from 12:15-12:45pm, Worship service with ashes will be held. (School release eligible?) Please let Rev Ruth know if you need ashes at a different time. 208-419-7870
- On the Sundays of Lent, Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25, soup and bread



lunches for everyone will follow worship. We invite kids and parents to participate. After lunch there will be a Lenten study, including activities for kids, and a nursery for young ones.

- Palm Sunday, March 25, A multi-generational, multisensory worship will be held.
- Easter Sunday, April 1, we will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus with Bible Sunday for 3rd Graders and Easter Egg Hunts for all ages.

More details will be coming as we move through the activities that are scheduled.

Contacts:

Betty Anderson, 208-521-3039
(text or call)

Rev. Ruth Marsh, 208-419-7870
(text or call)

Building Beloved Community Capital Campaign

Good news! On January 16, 2018, Trinity received notice that Partners for Sacred Places and National Trust for Historic Preservation have approved a grant of \$190,000. We will receive and sign the formal grant agreement soon. Per their letter, “... given the pledges and funds already raised toward your matching requirement, an initial check for 50% of the total grant amount will be processed upon receipt of the signed grant agreement, with the second payment disbursed upon completion of the project and matching funds requirements.”

Our fundraising has gone very well, but we need to raise ~ 54,000 more dollars.

In December we increased the scope to add the following:



Your trustees have been busy in the last few weeks.

- Rewiring the main chandelier in the sanctuary.
- Temporarily bypassing the malfunctioning gas water heater.
- Developing maintenance procedures of the Cromalux electric


- Renovate the stained glass window above main floor entry;
- Main floor renovation will include 8 doors, ceiling tile, flooring, LED light fixtures and installation of aluminum wood clad double pane insulated glass windows associated with the bathrooms, nursery and pastor’s office;
- Electrical: Replace dated electrical panels & circuits outside main floor Men’s restroom;
- Fix three deteriorating columns in main meeting area below sanctuary per Structural Engineer’s recommendations;
- Upgrade fire exit passage-way in basement classroom.



Trustees Corner

heaters in the parlor and MD hall.

- Cleaning carpets in sanctuary and parlor before Christmas eve.
- Investigating a leak in NW corner of the parlor.
- Planning the removal of carpeting in the north west stairwell from Mary Dawson hall.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<h1>LENT</h1>	1 9:30 UMW Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 Girl Scouts 8:00 Serenity Seekers	2 Church Office Closed 9:00 Community Partners 6:30 <u>Dinner & Movie: Part 2 of "Ten Commandments"</u> 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	3 10:00 Brownie Troup 421 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
4 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	5 11:00 Soup Kitchen Mission 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap -n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	6 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meet 7:00 Daisy & Brownie 7:00 Adler Lecture 7:00 <u>Trustee Meeting 108</u> 7:00 P.E.O	7 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	8 9:00 <u>Steering Committee</u> 1:00 UMW Unit Meeting 6:30 <u>Finance Committee</u> 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	9 Church Office Closed 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	10 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
11 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 11:30 Scouts cook Dutch Oven Lunch for all 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	12 10:00 F.I.S.H. 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap -n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Girl Scout Leader Group 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	13 <u>FAT TUESDAY SHROVE TUESDAY</u> 6:30 <u>Pancake Dinner and Pancake Races</u> 6:30 Cub Scout Den Mtg 7:00 Daisy & Brownie 7:00 Adler Lecture	14 <u>ASH WEDNESDAY</u> 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 12:15 <u>Ash Wed Worship</u> 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	15 <u>News Letter Articles Due</u> 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Scout Pack Committee 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	16 Church Office Closed 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	17 10:00 Brownie Troup 421 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
18 <i>Lent 1</i> 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 11:45 Lenten Soup and Bread Series 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	19 <u>PRESIDENTS DAY</u> --- Office Closed --- 11:00 Soup Kitchen Mission 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap -n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	20 7:00 <u>Admin Council Meeting</u> 7:00 Cub Scout Den Mtg 7:00 Daisy & Brownie 7:00 Adler Lecture	21 9:00 Breakfast O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	22 10:00 <u>News Letter Crew</u> 1:00 Ethel Clark Circle 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	23 Church Office Closed 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	24 5:30 NA Dinner & Dance 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous
25 <i>Lent 2</i> 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship Service 11:45 Lenten Soup and Bread Series 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	26 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap -n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	27 6:30 ADAH Meeting "Adult Protective Service" 7:00 Cub Scout Den Mtg 7:00 Daisy & Brownie	28 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:00 Susannah Circle 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	March 1 9:30 UMW Executive Committee Meeting 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	March 2 9:00 Community Partners 11:30 RCCM Lenten Lunch Series 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	

FEBRUARY

Please have your articles for the March newsletter submitted to: office@tumcif.org no later than Thursday, February 15th, so we can get the newsletter out in a timely manner. Thank you!
 Don Rohde-Editor
donrohde@aol.com

Cub Scout Pack 6 - Sam Bays

I'm sure that most of you have heard in the national news by now Boy Scouts of America is inviting girls to be Cub Scouts. Yeah! This is called Family Scouting which creates single-gender Dens within a co-ed Pack. Girl Cub Scouts will follow the same age/grade requirements for forming Dens as boys. They will follow the same Advancement Book as boys. This is terrific news for Pack 6! If you know of a girl and/or adult that would like to join Pack 6 Family Scouting opportunities, please let me know as soon as possible at 208-520-8883.

January has been a busy month for Pack 6. We went on a sledding day adventure and invited Cub Scouts from a different Pack across town to participate so that they could learn diversity and make friends in scouting outside of their own Den/Pack. We are also in the middle of Pine Wood

Derby season. The Arrow of Lights are starting to attend Troop 6 meetings in preparation to their bridging to Boy Scouts. We also sent six scouts to the annual Spin Party where we were honored, again, as top selling unit in the Grand Teton Council! Thank you so much for supporting Pack 6 with your prayers, time, and monetary contributions. I feel TUMC's love and warmth every time a scout's face lights up.



February Birthdays & Anniversaries

Angela Austin	2/1	Savannah Jensen	2/14	Josh Borland	2/25
Gary Rose	2/2	Kristy Campbell	2/15	Kathy Borland	2/28
Trudy Esparza	2/3	Ruth Byron	2/16		
Ariana McClure	2/4	Leroy Meyer	2/17	For additions or corrections	
Sheryl Schaffer	2/8	Nancy O'Brien	2/21	in birthdays please contact	
Diane Croson	2/11	Ruth Oar	2/22	Pam in the church office.	
Roger Haga	2/13	Tim French	2/23	208-522-7921	
Lynn Bingham	2/14	Savon Mower	2/25		

ADAH Meeting on February 27th

On Tuesday, February 27th at 6:30 our speaker will be Brian Payton who will discuss Adult Protective Services.

If you are having a senior emergency you can call (860) 810-3227 or email me at: donrohde@aol.com. I will get you connected with some resources. ADAH is here to support you!



- Don Rohde

Days for Girls.

Trinity's UMW is continuing our effort to help Days for Girls with their mission to provide high quality, washable feminine hygiene kits as well as sanitation and health training to girls who miss school for lack of these materials. There is a basket in the parlor labeled **Days for Girls.**

Thank you so much for your generosity in collecting washcloths in January. They are greatly appreciated.

In February, we will be collecting cotton underwear in girl's sizes 10, 12, 14, 16 and women's sizes 5, 6, and 7.



Happenings Around the Church

Scout Dutch Oven Lunch 2/11

Our Boy Scouts will be cooking lunch for us on the 11th of February to celebrate Scout Sunday and to practice their Dutch Oven skills.

Lenten Soup & Bread Series

Starting February 18th we will be having Soup Luncheons after Sunday worship. A Lenten Study will follow lunch.

Church Finances

Profit & Loss for January 1 to December 31, 2017

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	Total
Income	
4000 Pledges & Regular Giving	\$172,257
4002 Loose Plate Giving	\$ 2,738
4003 Sunday School Contributions	\$ 45
4004 Interest Earned	\$ 22
4005 Rent - Facility - Room Use	\$ 1,750
4006 Schaumleffel Foundation	\$ 9,800
4008 Other Income	\$ 160
4010 Fundraising Cost Recovery	\$ 1,705
4015 In-Kind Donations	\$ 248
Total Income	\$188,726
Gross Profit	\$188,726
Expenses	
5000 WORSHIP	
5020 Chancel Choir	\$ -
5040 Worship Supplies	\$ 119
5060 Copyright Licensing	\$ 397
5070 Organ/Piano Tuning & Repair	\$ 18
5080 Wedding Services	\$ 212
5150 Senior Pastor	
5151 Senior Pastor Salary	\$ 38,750
5152 Parsonage Utility Allowance	\$ 5,742
5153 Senior Pastor Medical Insurance	\$ 15,000
5154 Sr Pastor Pension (CRSP & CPP)	\$ 9,725
5158 Sr Pastor - Professional Exp	\$ 1,600
5160 Pastors Moving Expense	\$ 600
Total 5150 Senior Pastor	\$ 71,417
Total 5000 WORSHIP	\$ 72,163
6000 PROGRAM & FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES	
6030 Devotional Materials	\$ 290
6040 Sunday School Supplies	\$ 745
6130 Church Picnic	\$ 23
6150 Coffee Hour Supplies	\$ 429
Total 6000 PROGRAM & FELLOWSHIP MINIS-	\$ 1,487

Finance Notes

The Finance Committee is pleased to be able to provide the 2017 year end financials to you. There are two reports shown.

The first is a Profit and Loss report that shows how much money came into the church in 2017, and all of the expenses that were paid out in 2017.

The second report is the Balance Sheet which shows any money held on Trinity's books as of December 31st.

While the money that is being taken in for the Trinity Restoration is shown on the books, (Balance Sheet) it has no effect on the operating budget.

Please note that the Profit and Loss shows a \$0 net income, because we sent any profit from the operating income and expense to the Annual Conference to pay our

Profit & Loss for January 1 to December 31, 2017 *Continued (page 2 of 2)*

Finance Notes (continued)

fair share of the expenses of our regional connectional church. Trinity's share should have been \$30,792, but we were only able to pay \$21,036 in apportionments. The balance owed for 2017 has been forgiven.

Last year the Finance Committee prepared a budget that showed a \$26,208 shortfall. Trinity exceeded their expectations! The 2018 budget shows an expected deficit of \$17,792. I pray and believe that we will as a congregation be able to overcome that deficit!

Thank you for your amazing faith in the work that Trinity UMC does on behalf of God in Idaho Falls and thank you for your incredible generosity.

Blessings,
Rev. Ruth



8000 BUILDING & PROPERTY	
8010 Custodial Supplies	\$ 1,039
8020 Church Maintenance & Repair	\$ 6,757
8030 Utilities	\$ 5,158
8040 Natural Gas	\$ 5,579
8050 Property Insurance & Workmen's	\$ 11,245
8070 Repairs - Parsonage Maintenance	\$ 335
8085 Capital Fundraising Expenses	<u>\$ 1,342</u>
Total 8000 BUILDING & PROPERTY	\$ 31,456
9000 ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS	
9002 Wages - Staff Payroll	\$ 50,881
9010 Employer Payroll Taxes	\$ 3,769
9020 Interest Expense	\$ 48
9030 Office Supplies	\$ 293
9060 Permit & Bulk Postage	\$ 725
9070 Postage	\$ 306
9080 Copier Expense	\$ 1,149
9110 Telephone and Internet	\$ 1,935
9121 Accounting	\$ 2,907
9130 Publicity & Advertising	\$ 65
9200 Conference Apportionments	<u>\$ 21,036</u>
Total 9000 ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS	\$ 83,115
Bank Charges	\$ 155
Paypal Fees	\$ 117
Square Fees	\$ 193
Vanco Fees	<u>\$ 42</u>
Total Bank Charges	\$ 506
Total Expenses	\$188,726
Net Operating Income	\$ -
Other Income	
4001 Designated Giving-Internal	\$388,253
4012 Designated Giving - Pass Thru	<u>\$ 9,341</u>
Total Other Income	\$397,593
Other Expenses	
9700 Pass Through Expense - Internal	\$388,253
9701 Pass Through Expense - External	<u>\$ 9,341</u>
Total Other Expenses	\$397,593
Net Other Income	\$ -
Net Income	\$ -

ASSETS

Total Current Assets	\$ 384,174
Total Endowment Funds	\$ 292,491
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 676,666

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Liabilities

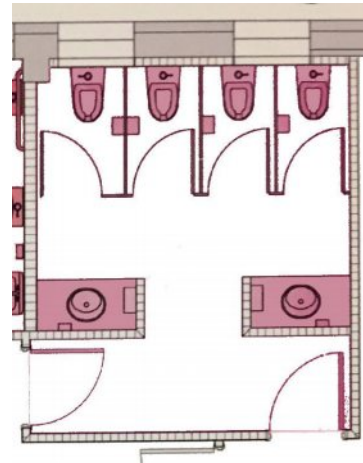
Current Liabilities

Total Accounts Payable	\$ 13,816
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$ 2,414
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 16,229
Total Liabilities	\$ 16,229

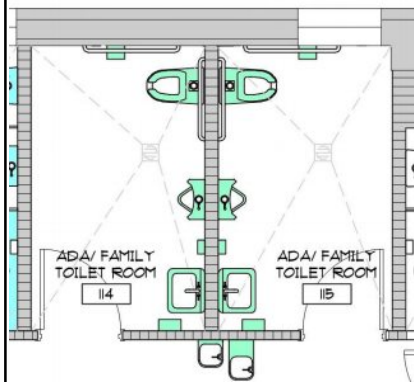
Equity

Designated Funds	\$ 312
Bell Choir	\$ 4,277
Bereavement Committee	\$ 849
Breaking Boundaries	\$ 187
Camp Scholarships	\$ 484
Capital Reserves	\$ 26,837
Chancel Choir	\$ 806
Christian Education	\$ 10
Christmas Fund	\$ 14
Compassionate Care Fund	\$ 943
Dinner Group Donations	\$ 165
Floral Tributes	\$ 217
FreeMed	\$ 1,028
Jack Wallace Estate Gift	\$ 39,285
Memorials	\$ 382
Mission Produce	\$ 50
Mission Trip Senior High	\$ 327
NIRDA	\$ 50

Restoration Plans



The new main floor women's rest room will feature 4 stalls and two sinks. The door to the nursery will be maintained.



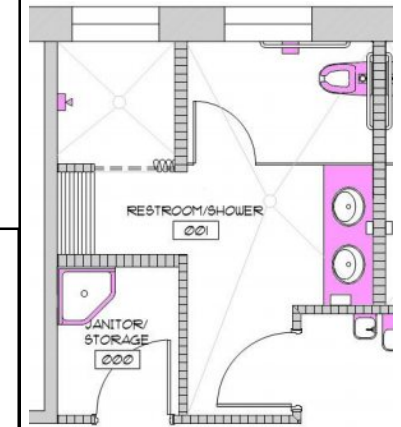
There will be two new handicap or family bathrooms installed on the main floor.

Organ/Piano Tuning & Repair	\$ 820
Other Designated Funds	\$ 50
Pastor's Moving Fund	\$ 1,600
Stephen Ministry	\$ 719
Total UMCOR	\$ 200
Vacation Bible School	\$ 24
VIM - Honduras	\$ 3,287
Worship	\$ (184)
Youth Ministries	\$ 55
Youth Ministries - Children	\$ 391
Youth Ministries - Junior High	\$ 295
Youth Ministries - Senior High	\$ 451
Total Youth Ministries	\$ 1,191
Total Designated Funds	\$ 83,930
Endowment Fund Equity	\$ 292,491
Matching Grant - Sacred Places	\$ 37,482
Restoration Fund	\$ 238,680
Retained Earnings	\$ 4,586
Schaumleffel Foundation Annual	\$ 3,267
Net Income	\$ -
Total Equity	\$ 660,436
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 676,666

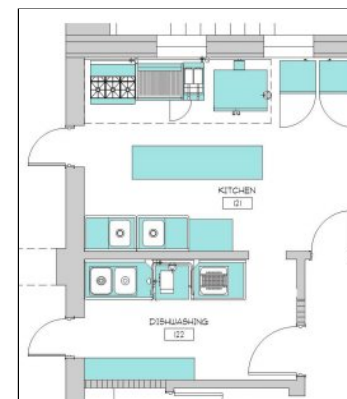
Restoration Plans



The new main floor men's restroom will be about the same but will be reconfigured to be more useful.



Downstairs there will be two large restrooms with showers.



The church office will be joined with the parlor kitchenette to create a full size kitchen for serving hot meals in the parlor. This will give a dining facility for groups of less than 50 people.