



# Board of Trustees

2015

I knew from the beginning that the year of 2015 would be an adventure both financially and physically for the Church and the Trustees. And I was not disappointed. However, serving as the chair of the Trustees for the last twelve months has been a joy.

In February, we welcomed Roger Johnson to the Board to replace Dan Shaw (term limits). The contributions from Dan will be greatly missed. The remaining members are: Barb Anderson, Joyce Busman, Russ Chappell, Pattianne Feldt, Jim Fisher, Russ Stressman, Steve Wilson and myself, Ron Stroup. The Board nominated me for a second and final term as the Chairperson, with Barb Anderson as Vice-Chairperson. Pattianne Feldt was appointed to serve as our representative to the Memorial Committee.

Throughout the year the Trustees continued to work on protecting our church's physical and financial assets. We counted all offertory monies weekly, monitored the treasurer's report monthly, paid attention to employee's needs, looked over other financial concerns, re-evaluated insurance issues and tended to building maintenance and landscaping matters as needed. The Board also looked after and repaired general maintenance items such as: perma sealing the elevator shaft, heating system boilers maintenance, underground sprinkling, electrical wiring in the garage and three parking lot lights, repairing the roof leaks, chimney flashing sealing roof around air-conditioning units, installing new roof heat tapes, repairing the gutter screens, installed a new gutter drain sock pipe, replaced the lights behind the sanctuary cross, had the carpets cleaned in the sanctuary, nursery, offices and halls, added pull down shades in the sanctuary, repaired the nursery bath ceiling, had the entire fellowship floors waxed, repaired the baptismal font, added a "Little Library Box" along the bike path, installed a new address stone to the front of the building, repaired and repainted the window sill caps on the north side of the sanctuary, installed several new plumbing fixtures in the nursery and men's and

women's bathrooms, re-glued areas of the vinyl base and fixed the frayed seams of the carpet, finally we are in the process of updating all the office computers. There were several minor items repaired or replaced as well.

During this year the Trustees have been working on "a schedule of annual maintenance guide" which will help monitor and help anticipate our major maintenance concerns in the future. In addition, the Trustees are also in the process of finding an affordable way to electronically store all of the church's important official papers and files, for easier access as well as a safer back up storage of these important documents.

The Trustees were instrumental in sponsoring a "Major Capital Replacement" line item to the 2016 Budget substantially increasing the moneys collected by \$18,000.00 per year. We are trying to predict the useful life of all the major items (boilers, air-conditioners, parking lot paving, etc.) so in the future, when the need for replacement arrives, we will have the money in place to pay for them.

We continue to invite suggestions from members for cost-saving items as well as innovative ideas to help with the operation of our church and its grounds.

In the course of the year many people other than Trustees have helped with various undertakings for our church, there are too many names to put in this report, and the Trustees thank you all for your enthusiastic and dedicated support. A special thanks goes to two people whom without their extraordinary help throughout the year the Trustees' tasks would be very difficult, they are Pat Stressman, our secretary and treasurer, and Marianna Nelson, our clerk. Their efforts and input are appreciated and do not go unnoticed. And finally we are extremely indebted to Pastors Don Wood and Donna Rick for all their spiritual guidance, leadership, prayers and love they give so graciously to all our members and friends and concerns of our church. We are also looking forward, with great anticipation, to our new interim pastor Ken and his lovely wife Sue Babcock as they lead us into the future.

I think I can speak for all the Trustees when I say thank you for allowing us to serve on the Board of Trustees. We are all looking forward to the new challenges that 2016 may bring.

God bless us all as we journey on,

Ronald Stroup

Chair for the Board of Trustees

