



*We are called to celebrate God's presence;
Nurture the spiritual life of each individual;
Carry the light of Jesus Christ to the world;
and Serve God by serving others.*

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2009 Annual Report

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PASTOR'S REPORT

The psalmist wrote, “even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me.” This does not mean, “no evil will happen to me” in that valley. Rather, it means, “I will not be afraid.” The year 2009 was a shadowy year in many ways, but faith in God’s abiding love has once again been our salvation.

The year started with a very significant loss for RPC when Lynda Nadkarni was offered a full-time public school position and stepped down as our Director of Christian Education. The temptation to panic loomed. How could we survive such a body blow? For months, the way forward was foggy at best. There was little I could do to make the situation manageable. In the end, I had to pray with the psalmist—“I don’t see how this will work out, but I am not afraid, because you are with me.” After a few months, Jenny Kolinski stepped forward and has brought tremendous energy, passion, and imagination to the position—an answer to prayer.

The loss of Mary Koon was also tough, especially on the heels of Lynda’s departure. Mary was so wonderful. Many parishioners wanted to keep her as intern forever, though that would have been unfair to her career aspirations. She was such a blessing, it was difficult to imagine RPC without her. It took a great deal of searching, but we finally were able to lasso Melissa Gilbert as our new intern. And she has brought a great zeal and a particular ability to relate to teenage girls.

There have also been temptations to despair in the wake of the financial struggles of the country. Many parishioners have been particularly hit by employment problems. We could have been frozen by questions of how RPC would survive, but I went back to the prayer—“I don’t see how this will work out, but I am not afraid, because you are with me.”

The Hebrews had more respect for Sabbath than we typically do, probably because they often felt more powerless than we do. The point of Sabbath is to say, “the work I do is not so important—I must also remember what God is doing.” In times of relative powerlessness during 2009, it was easier for me to remember God.

I focus very little on church finances—sometimes to the great frustration of elders. I rest on Matthew 6 where Jesus advises us to seek first God’s kingdom and righteousness, and all the other needs will work themselves out. That approach worked well for me in 2009. The valley of shadows has been a reminder to me of the ever-present Light.

Your brother in Christ,

Scott

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CE was led by session members Lisa Freel, Joyce Van Cura and after her resignation, Melinda Yachnin. Lynda Nadkarni continued as Director of Christian Education through August, then Jenny Kolinski took over the position in September.

Fall 2009 launched the eighth year of RPC's Passport to the Promised Land Sunday School program for school-aged children, Kindergarten – Jr. High. Average attendance averages 60 children per week. This program is based on the rotational model, which takes one Bible lesson or story for each unit and teaches it to the children a different way each Sunday for the five Sundays of that unit. A typical rotation will often consist of a cooking class, an arts and crafts class, a gym class, a map or Bible study class and a story teller using the Cornerstones curriculum.

A special thank you to those who have given of their time and talents to teach a rotation (or more) in 2009: Jeanine Buttmer, John and Emily Cain, Susan Deems-Dluhy, Frank and Mack Fieseler, Patti Friend, Jill Glawe, Tara Gregus, John Haugland, Connie Kelly, Mary Koon, Susan Lisle, Matt Lisle, Ben Mitchell, Colleen Muller, Lynda Nadkarni, Joe Ourth, Vince Pecis, Kathi Rocanova, Carrie Staubus and Serina Ranft.

An extra-special thank you to our shepherds from the '08/'09 and '09/'10 school years who lovingly guided their classes each week: Shannon Buhle, Frank Fieseler, Mack Fieseler, Patti Friend, Lily Henderson, Marika Floros-Nadkarni, Amanda Gregus, Tom Kedzie, Susan Lisle, Serina Ranft, Gabi Stangel and Bill Vogel.

Godly Play, held after the Children's Sermon, is available for children in Preschool through 1st grade. It is a Montessori-based worship education which recognizes that children have the potential to experience God in deep and meaningful ways. The goal is to encourage that potential through the telling of Bible stories and allowing children to work with the story materials. Leaders and children worship together utilizing song, sign language, artwork, and prayer as responses to God's love. Each week requires a leader and greeter to deliver the service of worship. Our dedicated Leaders and Greeters have been Jeanine Buttmer, Marika Floros-Nadkarni, Lisa Freel, Amanda Gregus, Lindsay Hayes, Courtney Hooglander, Jenny Kolinski, Lily Lisle, Max Marciniak, Alice McLean, Lorraine Meyer, Lynda and Kathryn Nadkarni, Hannah and Adeline Pecis, Brooke and Abby Schwarz, and Melinda Yachnin.

In addition to these programs, childcare is provided Sunday mornings for infants and toddlers by a two-person team of paid staff. Between 4-8 children per week are cared for in the toddler room. Currently, the infant room is not staffed due to the lack of infants requiring its use. We are blessed by Barbara Eberhardt and Keri Nekovar's loving care of our toddlers each Sunday.

Wednesday Night Live (WNL!) continued in 2009. An inter-generational program for the whole community, Wednesday Night Live (WNL!) is composed of eight-week sessions, one in fall (Sept./Oct./Nov.) and one in spring (Jan./Feb./March). WNL! met at 5:30 p.m. for a shared meal. At 6:30 p.m. there were activities for the whole family. Abbey Millsaps assisted in childcare. Intern Melissa Gilbert led a girls group during WNL!

Confirmation for the freshman class began in September and will run through March 2010. Attending are Allie Burke, Jake Fieseler, Emily Hastings, Brian Jansen, Karl Jantze, Andie Krug, Annie Mitchell and Emma Schander. This class is lovingly coordinated by John Cain and Joe Ourth.

A wonderful Youth Sunday was held in June with over 50 children participating in a variety of ways from singing to reading, musicianship to artistry. 2009 wrapped up with a most memorable children's Christmas program on Dec. 20th. From artists to actors, and musicians to readers and acolytes, over 50 kids participated in this meaningful family event as well.

Vacation Bible School returned to Riverside this summer, hosted by Ascension Lutheran. The program transported children back to Biblical Days and a family structure with marketplace allowing them to experience life as Jesus did. 70 children from the community attended with volunteer participants from RPC, Ascension Lutheran, St. Mary and Riverside United Methodist as leaders.

We did not provide Summer Sunday School in 2009, although the adult class did continue to meet.

Frank Gangware is the RPC liaison to the scouting programs. 2009 has seen the continuing growth of both the Cub Pack and Scout Troop, with over 90 active Cub Scouts and 40 Boy Scouts participating. Both programs are blessed with trained adult volunteer leadership that is both deep in numbers and long in effectiveness, a true blessing and the primary reason for the current enrollment numbers. The church and our community have benefited in many ways from these organizations, with Cub and Boy Scouts participating in a wide variety of local volunteer programs. A day of service with the local forester, participation in several Eagle Scout projects, volunteer service at the library and other local churches, food preparation for our Night Ministry and participation in the RB High School Day of Service are some of the many activities in which the scouts have been active. 2009 Eagle Scouts are Austin McKain and Dennis Potamianos. 2009 also saw the church charter a new Co-Ed Venturing Crew for older scouts and high school age teens in the community.

**Respectfully submitted,
Jenny Kolinski
Director of Christian Education**

ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The 2009 Adult Education Committee underwent a few important changes in personnel this year, although the programming responsibilities remained the same. Joyce Van Cura, the chair of the adult education committee, resigned in May in order to attend to some important family matters, so Melinda Yachnin assumed her responsibilities from that time. Lynda Nadkarni, who had so ably staffed adult education for so many years, resigned from her position at the end of the summer; the newly-reconstituted staff position no longer had responsibility for adult education, which meant that the committee had to take up the slack (along with the indispensable assistance of Rev. Dr. Scott Jansen).

The committee consisted of six dedicated and thoughtful members: Scott Jansen, Lorraine Meyer, Joe Ourth, Stan Schade, Ron Smith, and Melinda Yachnin. The committee met quarterly to plan upcoming programs for Human Scene and Wednesday Night Live, and to oversee the other components of adult education at RPC: Presbyterian Women, RPC library, men and women's forums.

The Human Scene continued to meet on Sunday mornings from 9:00-9:50 a.m. and offered a range of classes designed to include the following topics in rotation: Scripture, history, theology, forums on current events, mission updates, spiritual formation, and occasional secular topics like health care reform. The adult education committee recognizes that the Human Scene is a cornerstone for nourishing the faith lives of our congregants, and an ideal way for people to get to know each other better. The topics this year have included:

- a Bible study series on Galatians (led by Stan Schade)
- an examination of both sides of the abortion debate (led by Scott Jansen)
- the spiritual practice of discernment (led by Lorraine Meyer)
- a forum of 6 senior high youth group members talking about what it is like to be a teenager today
- Calvinism on his 500th birthday
- Political oppression in Colombia
- Financial management from a Christian perspective

The committee has continued to organize the adult education portion of Wednesday Night Live, and has observed the decline in attendance. In Fall 2009 we decided to offer a book study (Practicing Our Faith) as the topic for the series, and the course then functioned more like a small faith group (12-15 attendees per week). We have begun to examine the reasons for this decline, and to adjust our planning as indicated.

Our committee is always looking for ideas for stimulating programs at little to no cost. Please continue to share your ideas with any of the committee members listed above.

Respectfully submitted, Melinda Yachnin, chair

YOUTH GROUP

The Junior and Senior High youth groups had another great year! We meet regularly on Sunday evenings and all are welcome. We always had a core group of attendees, followed by the occasional friends and parent volunteers. (Thank you to those parents who helped us out with countless hours of service devoted to our youth!) Our goal was to have at least one service project, one social event and one regular meeting in the Celestial Cinema per month and to focus our meetings and discussion on fellowship, faith, and how we could contribute to the world around us.

Last winter, some of our activities included getting a behind-the-scenes tour of our church, making soup and sandwiches for The Night Ministry and participating in “The Night Walk” (a program designed to help teens understand the problem of teen homelessness). We also made nachos, went bowling, participated in a low-ropes course, led a British Home Service, attended the R-B Spring Musical, visited the Illinois Holocaust Museum, played softball and led a wonderful Youth Sunday in June where we recognized students who gave outstanding service to the church. We had discussions on peer pressure, etiquette, abortion, healthy dating relationships and dating violence.

Our senior high families held several fundraisers in the spring to help finance our annual mission trip: a bake sale, a car wash and a barbeque. The trip in June took 24 Senior High youth and 6 adult leaders to Copperhill TN, where we worked on 2 homesites, doing home improvement projects. Evenings were spent in devotions and fellowship activities around our bonfire. The highlight of the week was a whitewater rafting trip on the Ocoee River.

The Junior High had their own weekend mission trip in November, which was so much fun, it may become an annual tradition! We raked leaves, ate pizza, went to a movie, slept over at the manse, gave manicures to British Home residents, and worked at the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

Since the Senior High Mission trip, we have attended a White Sox game, hiked at Starved Rock and in the Forest Preserve at Swallow Cliffs, taken a trip to Jonamac Orchards for a corn maze and pumpkin patch, held a Day of the Dead Party, participated in the CROP walk, raked leaves for seniors, helped out with Caring Christmas and made care packages for our college students. For the second year in a row, we cooked an Italian Dinner for over 100 people in connection with the Service Auction in September. We ended the year with lots of fun by having a Progressive Dinner for the senior high kids and a trip downtown for the junior high kids. We had some good discussions about issues facing teens and are already beginning to plan for Mission Trip 2010.

One of the things I am most proud of is that the youth group gave over \$1130 to missions in 2009. We look forward to continuing to be a vital and vibrant force in our church in the years to come!

Respectfully Submitted, Tara Gregus, Youth Advisor

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Active members as of December 31, 2008 **465**

Additions:

New members	11
Confirmands	9

Losses:

Letter of transfer	2
Deaths	2
Other losses	12

(includes transfer to inactive roll and removal by session)

Active members as of December 31, 2009 **469**

Infant/child baptisms	6
Adult baptism	1
Weddings	1

In Memoriam

Marjorie Prass
Isabel Matousek

Mary Ann Sadilek
Clerk of Session

CARERS COMMITTEE

The CARERS Committee had two major responsibilities this past year I addition to our usual monthly collections. The first was to orchestrate a Mission Fair. We invited representatives from The First Presbyterian Church of Chicago, Interfaith House, Beds/Plus, The Chicago Food Depository, Stars and Stripes and Companions. The Nite Ministries also joined us for this event. These people brought information on the specific work they do in their areas. Each place allowed us to see how integral our donations are and the impact they have within the various communities. Everyone had an informative and enjoyable time.

Our second challenge was to decide what would be the best place to use the Mary Frick Memorial Fund. We wanted to find a way that would commemorate her love for The First Presbyterian Church and recognize her many years of service given during her lifetime. After much research thought and prayer, the decisions was made to purchase six stainless steel commercial worktables for the kitchen at The First Presbyterian Church in Chicago. This would allow the church to continue to prepare the food that serves over 200 people every week as well as keep up the current health regulations.

During the year, we continued to collect and distribute food and clothing to our other missions. This year, our records show that approximately \$11,000 in food, clothing and other items were generously donated. Once again, our many thanks to the congregation, Boy Scouts, Sunday School and youth groups for making this possible.

My personal thank you to our fine CARERS Committee for their hard work and support this past year: Marge Abbott, Marjorie Lewe, Albertia McCabe, Colleen Muller (Liaison/Deacons), Carol O'Meara, Mary Lou Schwarz, Lynn Shannon-Labotka, Marilyn Slanec, Wilma Steenland and Monica Wood.

Respectfully submitted,

**Margy Martin
Co-Chairman**

BOARD OF DEACONS

Who's Who on the Board of Deacons:

Class of 2009:

Dale Heilenbach (F, G), Paula McCracken (A), Sarah Dudak (L), Marilyn Slanec (H, I), Susanne Vogel (D, E) and Alex Krug/Jordan Messner.

Class of 2010:

Lloyd Bradbury (J, K), Doris Hayes ©, Mary Jansen (P, R), Kathi Roccanova (S1), Sylvia Schade (N, O), Bill Vogel (M1) and Amanda Gregus

Class of 2011:

Mary Crang (T, U, V), Richard Crang (S2), Betsy Gardner (W, Y, Z), Hollie Miezio (M2) Hollie will be stepping down this year. Bill and Colleen Muller (B).

Ministry Coordinators:

British Home:(1st Sunday of the month) Betsy Gardner, Marilyn Slanec, Mary Crang

Communion:(1st Sunday of the month) co-chairs--Doris Hayes and Mary Jansen, Bill & Colleen Muller, Kathi Roccanova

Deacon Coffee Fellowship: Dale Heilenbach and Richard Crang

Deacon District Assignments: Sylvia Schade

Deacon Doings: co-chairs-- Mary Jansen and Richard Crang

Flower Delivery:(weekly) Paula McCracken, Bill and Colleen Muller, Richard Crang

Investigating Community Resources: Kathi Roccanova, Lloyd Bradbury

Joys and Concerns: Doris Hayes, Kathi Roccanova

Meal Ministry: Doris Hayes and Betsy Gardner

Membership Committee Liaison: Bill and Colleen Muller (Patti Halline - Membership committee chair)

Memorial Services: Sylvia Schade, Doris Hayes, Dale Heilenbach

Mission Outreach: Marilyn Slanec

Publicity: Hollie Miezio

Secretary: Sarah Dudak

Share the Harvest: Mary Jansen, Bill and Colleen Muller

Treasurer: Bill Vogel

Youth Liaison: Mary Crang

Congregational Care/Local Arm: Mary and Richard Crang Sarah Dudak, Doris Hayes, Paula McCracken, Kathi Roccanova, Susanne Vogel

Mission Outreach Arm: Dale Heilenbach, Betsy Gardner, Amanda Gregas, Mary Jansen, Mary Koon, Alex Krug, Collen and Bill Muller, Jordan Messner, Marilyn Slanec (chair), Bill Vogel

Events Chairpersons: Caring Christmas: Mary Jansen and Doris Hayes
 Bake Off: Mary Koon, Mary Jansen and Doris Hayes

The Board of Deacons' year started off with a get-acquainted charcoal-broiled steak dinner to welcome new board members and spouses, preceding the board's meeting. The retiring board members attended to say farewell (and then stayed to help clean up as a parting gift) while the rest of the board begins its "big bang" meeting to start off the new year of God's work.

Deacons are assigned the task of helping the pastor care for the spiritual and emotional needs of the congregation, to befriend the friendless, help the needy, visit the sick and lonely, and try to keep contact with all the members of the congregation. So we take notes on the Joys and Concerns of the congregation, deliver flowers, set up, clean-up and serve communion, perform monthly services at the British Home, and assist community members in need.

We said goodbye to Seminary student, Mary Koon, who was a very instrumental person on the Deacon's board and to our church family. We wish her many blessings with her Ministry pursuits.

The Local Arm –

- * Holy Communion (1st Sunday morning of each month + Special Events) - Set up, Serve, Clean up
- * Sunday Flower Delivery (Weekly)-to those in congregation who have been home bound, hospitalized, have a new baby, etc.
- * British Home Worship Service (1st Sunday afternoon of each month)
- * Deacon District Service (keep in touch with congregation members, esp. those who are ill, have various needs, joys, & concerns; suggest home communion service by the RPC pastor to those who are home bound; call to remind about special events; send cards/notes for family deaths, hospitalizations, confirmation, graduations, births; keep encouraging them to attend major church events, i.e., church dinners, Strawberry Social, Human Scene/Passport to the Promised Land classes, etc..)
- * Contacting people in our Districts due to requests by other church committees: Fellowship (for hosting some Sunday coffee hours), Membership (trying to get completed membership forms returned),
- * Stewardship Committee assistance with congregational visitation on Commitment Sunday (11/8)
- * Youth Group assistance with Care Pkgs. for RPC College Kids (11/22) for them to receive during exams
- * Caring Christmas event (12/6) to create a holiday straw ornament for homebound seniors (craft materials, \$100; food for event, \$75)
- * Trustees' Task Force for Auditory Equipment in the Sanctuary assistance.
- * Monetary gift to Fellowship Committees to help promote "Green Team" ideas (switching away from use of paper/Styrofoam products)
- * Monetary gift to Trustee's Handicapped Assessable Bathrooms Project (? was that in '08 or '09??)
- * "Resources for Homebound" project (Lloyd Bradbury & Richard Crang)

Feb. 15th RPC All Church Family Bake-Off

Mary Jansen, Mary Koon and Doris Hayes spearheaded this event. We invited the congregation to participate in baking some of their favorite goodies. We asked everyone to bake a plate for sampling and an additional one (if possible) for silent auctioning. We had approximately 25 entries and folks would offer a \$1 or more to vote for their FAVORITE goodie. This event was held during regular coffee fellowship time and the turnout was GREAT! Everyone enjoyed sampling a variety of homemade treats, and we raised about \$200 that went towards the Deacon Fund. We offered prizes for the TOP three winning entries. Those winners were: MaryAnn Sadilek, Susan Lisle and Connie Kelly.

RPC Tee Shirts

Back in February the Deacons voted to offer tee-shirts for sale. (not for profit) We enlisted our in house artist, Lloyd Bradbury, and he created a unique design to represent our church family. We had a couple of tees made as samples and then took orders from the congregation. The price of each shirt ranged from \$7-14 based on fabric and size. We offered regular 100 percent cotton and 100 percent organic cotton. The shirts were available in three colors: yellow haze, yellow and beige. To date, we've sold approximately 75 shirts. Folks from RPC have worn them proudly to various events i.e.: 4th of July parade, church family picnic, youth mission trip, church family work day, Caring Christmas. We still have some shirts available for sale in various sizes and colors. Additional orders can be placed as needed. Lloyd Bradbury, Colleen Muller and Doris Hayes were in charge of this project.

Caring Christmas

On Sunday, Dec. 6th from 4-7pm the RPC Social Hall was transformed into a craft workshop/cookie decorating arena. Approximately half of the folks in attendance were guided by Mary Jansen to create beautiful Christmas ornaments out of wheat. The other half under the direction of Amanda Gregus, Louise Gangware and Alex Krug happily frosted/decorated cookies of all types. When all crafting/decorating was completed, a team of Sr. High kids put together 23 plates of yummy cookies topped off with a couple of handmade ornaments. The volunteers were rewarded with a delicious meal of homemade chili, cornbread, hotdogs, and chips. The Deacons and some RPC families then took several plates with them to be hand delivered over the next two weeks to folks from RPC and the community. We've had WONDERFUL feedback from the recipients as well as from the deliverers. Our recipients were so grateful to be remembered during the Christmas season and our deliverers got to meet and get to know some of their church family on a more personal level. THANKS to ALL who contributed to this worthwhile event!! Caring Christmas was chaired by Mary Jansen and Doris Hayes

The Mission Outreach Arm -

*** Monetary gifts to various organizations or programs - PC (USA) Accompaniment Program in Columbia; Chicago Religious Leadership Network for Latin America (CRLN); purchase of \$50 of office paper supplies for BEDS; purchase of \$500 of school backpacks and supplies for the children living at the CCIL (Chicago Christian Industrial League) housing in west-central Douglas Park area.**

*** Sponsored a special event Monday, Sept. 21 as we hosted a lovely couple from Indonesia named Adeney-Risakotta and voted to give them a \$400 honorarium to help with their travel expenses and their mission work. Dinner for them and the deacon board in the upstairs parlor followed by a community program given by them in the Sanctuary.**

*** A 3/15/09 MO meeting resulted in the formation of a new subcommittee for those who are unemployed or underemployed that became known as LE:AH under the leadership of Matt Lisle (they've started a new program at R-B High School-)**

*** Share the Harvest fresh food collection program throughout the summer months with a thank you coffee fellowship to honor the donors on 10/18**

*** Sponsored an adult mission trip 7/25/09 to participate in the Rockford Habitat for Humanity program**

*** Encouraged attendance at a Chicago Presbytery event held at LaGrange Presbyterian Church (10/12 - speaker from Armenia)**

*** Encouraged attendance at CRLN events (one was held at Old St. Pat's on 10/22 with two speakers from Mexico)**

*** Encouraged attendance at three Joint PC(USA) + Islam Peace events - Wheaton (10/25), Lombard (10/26), and Western Springs (10/27) with speaker Mary Mikhael, first female president of the Near East School of Theology, Beirut, Lebanon**

*** Sponsored an adult/youth group work afternoon 11//7/09 at the Greater Chicago Food Depository**

*** Supported Richard Crang in his interest regarding Columbia; encouraged his attendance at various presbytery meetings - CSLA (Congregations in Solidarity with Latin America), leading up to his participation in a trip to Columbia (July, 2010)**

*** Suggested that the Session vote to have RPC become a part of a three-year partnership with IPC (Presbyterian Church of Colombia)****

*** Support of Mission Outreach standing subcommittees:**

CARERS: Continued to collect nonperishable food items for the First Presbyterian Church of Chicago's weekly food distribution program for the people in south Chicago Woodlawn area and August school supply program; coffee, tea, lemonade, and paper goods for the near-west suburban BEDS' homeless shelters; miscellaneous clothing and hygiene items for Interfaith House, a respite center in west-central Chicago; miscellaneous snack, hygiene, and game items for the U.S.military troops overseas (Stars and Stripes Program). They toured Interfaith House, 1st P.C. of Chicago, and the Greater Chicago Food Depository; and sponsored an excellent CARERS' Mission Fair and Coffee Fellowship on 9/20/09.

Chairperson - Margy Martin

The Night Ministry: Continued to serve food to approximately 200 people on the second Friday evening of every month on the Wilson Avenue sidewalk, far-north Chicago, between Broadway and Lake Shore Drive. The food prepared during the cold weather months is 10 gal. of homemade vegetable-beef soup and 200 peanut butter sandwiches; during the warmer nights hot dogs, chips, and cookies are offered.

Chairperson - Ellen Hamilton

The Deacons had a great year and are looking forward to serving our congregation, community and world in 2010.

**Respectfully submitted:
Susanne Vogel**

RPC NIGHT MINISTRY OUTREACH

RPC's Night Ministry Outreach completed its 6th anniversary of service during 2009.

On the 2nd Friday of each month, RPC prepared and served Starlight Soup Suppers (soup and sandwiches in the winter) or Moonlight Picnics (hot dogs, chips and cookies in the summer) to Chicago-area homeless in conjunction with the Night Ministry's mobile clinic. All total, we served 70 gallons of soup, 1,400 sandwiches and 1,000 hot dog suppers, all prepared by RPC members and friends!

A special shout out to all of our wonderful youth supporters! The Junior High Sunday School, under the leadership of Tom Kedzie, committed to the monthly preparation of sandwiches for the Starlight Soup Suppers! We also had volunteers throughout the year in soup and sandwich making from local Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, the Riverside Ragdolls, our Sr. High Youth Group and the younger Sunday School classes. What a living example of "And a little child shall lead them."

Here's a roster of all our volunteers – church members and friends.

**Allan Halline
Amanda Gregus
Andrea Leibrandt
Andrew Hart
Barb Wolf
Boy Scouts
Carol O'Meara
Cody Kazarian
Connor Halline
David Wilson
Donna Mitchell
Doris Hayes
Elizabeth Musick
Ellen Hamilton
Evan Healy
Girl Scouts Junior Troop 657
Grisafe Family
Jenny Kolinski
John Haugland
Katie Hejna
Leibrandt Family
Lew Heine
Lynda Nadkarni
Marge Abbott
Marianne Leibrandt**

**Marilyn Slanec
Mary Jansen
Melinda Yachnin
Michelle Hejna
Mike Aieta
Mitchell Family
Nancy Hejna
Nancy Jensen
Nicole Rocconi
Olivia Novak
Patti Grisafe-Sinott
Patti Halline
Rocconi Family
RPC Sunday School
RPC Youth Groups
Sally Sloane
Sauer Family
Scott Jansen
Stephanie Sauer
Suzanne Vogel
Tara Gregus
Thea Kiwiet
Thomas Leibrandt
Will Vogel**

Thank you and God bless you to all the volunteers that supported this very worthwhile ministry in 2009.

**Respectfully submitted,
Ellen M. Hamilton**

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

The members of the Committee were:

Representing the Session:

Mike Heine

Representing the Trustees:

Nancy Jensen and Caroline Tecson

Elected at-large:

George Dluhy, Cyril Friend, Fred
Kitch, Fred Mitchell, Cindy Reynolds
Rayfield, Brad Staubus, and Jim Ulrich

Gifts made to the endowment fund:

	<u>Opening Balance</u>	<u>2009 Additions</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u>
Unrestricted	\$251,540.22	\$ 99,783.50	\$351,323.72
Property [Bldg.] Maint.	33,500.00		33,500.00
Church Budget	5,000.00		5,000.00
Mission Outreach	15,250.00		15,250.00
Education	3,100.00		3,100.00
<u>Music</u>	<u>3,225.00</u>		<u>3,225.00</u>
Total:	\$311,615.22	\$ 99,783.50	\$ 411,398.72

Between 12/15/08 and 12/12/09, ten contributions were received totaling \$99,783.50.

Earnings from the fund allocated for 2009 programs were \$2,604.96. Additional funds were received from the endowment of a former member in the sum of \$360.58. The total earnings/receipts applied to the Church's 2009 programs were \$2,965.54. Earnings on non-designated gifts invested in investment funds of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Foundation and other investment companies were reinvested. The Pastor Home Equity Fund year-end balance was \$50,000. The loan made in January, 2009, to cover the Church's 2008 budget shortfall has been paid in full, as scheduled.

Distribution of 2009 earnings/receipts was as follows:

General Budget	\$ 1,670.29
Property [Bldg.] Maint.	787.85
Good Samaritan	358.65
Education	72.91
<u>Music</u>	<u>75.84</u>
Total:	\$ 2,965.54

The RPC Endowment was established in 1980. Only the earnings on endowment contributions are eligible for allocation to our Church's programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Heine

Endowment Committee Chair

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

With a year under our belts since the reorganization of the committees of the church, the Fellowship Committee felt confident enough in executing our traditional calendar of activities to spend 2009 trying several new events.

Following the annual meeting on January 25th, we hosted a potluck luncheon to celebrate the good things that had happened at RPC in 2008 and kick off the new year. The luncheon was well attended and the congregation enjoyed the opportunity to share a meal together.

The first eight week session of *Wednesday Night Live!* ran from late January through March. We served dinner to about 50 people weekly. Dinner attendance swelled to 70 the night of RPC's Ash Wednesday service, after we extended an open invitation to the congregation to join us even if they were not regular WNL! attendees.

One of our continuing goals has been to “go green,” cutting back on the amount of trash generated during fellowship events. To this end, we encouraged the Boy Scouts to use the church china for their annual pancake breakfast on March 7th. The Marciniaks were on hand to help the boys run the dishwasher, and all went smoothly. The Scouts received many compliments on their efforts and on how nice it was to eat off of real plates.

On March 8th, the Committee hosted our first RPC *Coffee House Open Mic Night*. John Haugland coordinated the 20 acts that performed in our intimate coffee house setting (thanks to Connie Kelly's fellowship hall transformation). The event was relatively well attended, and we anticipate more will attend in 2010 as word spread about just how creative and entertaining the evening was. Snacks were provided at a nominal cost by the youth as a mission trip fundraiser.

In a light-hearted response to the crashing economy, the Fellowship Committee hosted another new event on March 21st. *Cheap Date Night* included a movie in the Celestial Cinema followed by a candlelight dinner in the Fellowship Hall. The evening was well received and requests were made to repeat this activity in the future.

The Committee worked with the CE Committee to both celebrate Pentecost and honor our graduating high school seniors with a church wide potluck luncheon following worship on May 31st. Traditionally, the CE committee honored the seniors with a breakfast for their families before worship, but attendance had been dwindling, and it was felt that honoring the seniors at an event that involved the entire congregation might be a better way to showcase these young people. The luncheon was well attended, and feedback from both the congregation and the seniors' families was positive.

Instead of marching in the 4th of July Parade this year, the Committee decided to promote RPC and the Strawberry Social with a booth in Guthrie Park. We sold cookies decorated like strawberries and had a “strawberry toss” game that proved to be a popular attraction for all ages. Literature about RPC was available as were advance tickets to the Social. The booth stayed busy despite the rainy weather and smaller than usual parade. We found that

the exposure the booth provided was worth the \$25 fee, and that although the cookies were a lot of work ahead of time, it was easier to staff the booth than to find people to be in the parade.

We could not have asked for more perfect weather for the *Strawberry Social* on July 12th. The Social, held from 4-7 pm, was attended by about 200 people, down from about 275 the previous year. Profit from the Social this year was used to further the ministries of RPC by helping to reduce the budget deficit.

The annual *Summer Family Retreat* to the Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, was held August 21-23. Attendance was down this year, with 13 adults and 6 children in attendance, but it was nice to have several first time attendees with us on this retreat. Despite the cool and rainy weather, everyone at camp had a relaxing, enjoyable, and meaningful weekend. Special thanks to Steven Teune, who coordinated our weekend with the camp, and John Haugland, who provided music for both a sing-a-long on Saturday night and worship on Sunday morning. We held our own worship service overlooking the lake, and were joined by six members of the Yorkfield Presbyterian Church (Elmhurst) and the interim camp director.

The *Sunday School Kick-Off Picnic* attendance on Sunday, September 13th was also down this year. In light of the current church finances, we did not purchase hot dogs and hamburgers as in the past. We did, however, provide a hot grill and several families brought things to grill and share along with an array of sides and desserts. This true potluck picnic worked out well, and we enjoyed good food and wonderful fellowship on the church lawn in perfect weather.

The eight week *fall session of WNL!* ran from September 30th- November 18th. Timing of the evening was changed in an attempt to be more accommodating to families with children. Attendance was down this session, averaging about 30 people for dinner.

John Haugland organized *a hike* which took place after the service on October 4th. About 20 people, youth and adults, packed a lunch and headed to Swallow Cliff Forest Preserve. After our hike, we stopped at the Plush Horse Ice Cream Parlor before heading home. Although the turnout was lighter than expected, those in attendance had fun together on a beautiful fall afternoon.

In December, the Committee helped Jon and Deb Jansky organize the traditional *Wassail Bowl* reception following the Messiah performance on the 13th. We set up the *Fellowship Tree* outside of the sanctuary so that the congregation could share their Christmas cards, pictures, and blessings with their church family. We also hosted fellowship for the ecumenical Longest Night Service held at RPC on December 21st.

Throughout 2009, the Fellowship Committee also hosted a regular, third Friday of the month *Craft Night*. Members and friends of RPC were encouraged to bring a craft project to work on and enjoy the company of others. Connie Kelly faithfully headed up this

evening each month, and although attendance varied wildly from month to month, it was an effort enjoyed by members and friends of all ages.

The Fellowship Committee also joined with the Membership Committee in an effort to recognize and support our members in their activities outside of the church while also encouraging some “off-site” fellowship. Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak and Patti Perry Halline asked that members send information on games, meets, concerts, shows, and activities that were open to the public in which they were taking part. These activities were then published in the *Vision* to encourage attendance by church members.

The Fellowship Committee members for 2009 were Session co-chairs Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak and Martha Heine, and John Haugland, Connie Kelly, Susan Lisle, Jim Marciniak, Lynda Nadkarni, Patti Perry Halline, and Marilyn Slanec. We thank the congregation for supporting our efforts with your attendance and assistance throughout the year, especially those who took on large commitments such as hosting coffee hour. We recognize that help comes to us from all segments of our congregation, families and singles, young and old, and we appreciate it all.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Committee Members

**Alfred Kitch
Cindy Reynolds Rayfield
Tony Miezio
Dennis Sadilek
Pastor Scott Jansen**

**Jim Ulrich
Mike Heine
John Cain
Nancy Jensen
Fred Mitchell
Courtney Hooglander**

Financial accountability and predictability are the main concerns of the Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee has the responsibility of reviewing RPC financial statements on a month to month basis that are presented to the Committee by Fred Kitch, RPC Treasurer. The Committee reviews and monitors all receipts and expenditures in an effort to track the month to month progress of complying with the goal of a balanced budget

The economic environment in 2009 created a challenge for RPC. Once again, through the incredible generosity of RPC members and the continuous efforts of the Trustees, Deacons, Elders and especially the Stewardship Committee, RPC was able to end the year with a nominal operating deficit of \$1,000.00. The Endowment Fund has allowed the General Operating Fund to borrow the \$1,000.00 needed to balance the budget from a special use fund. This loan will be repaid with interest over the course of the year.

The 2010 RPC Budget was presented to Session by the Budget Committee at the December Session Meeting. The 2010 Budget does contain a projected deficit. The strong 2009 finish and the amazing commitment that members pledged to the Stewardship Committee during the 2010 Pledge Drive have given us faith that this deficit will be overcome.

The Finance Committee has established some goals for the 2010 year. The Finance Committee is committed to ensuring that quarterly statements will be processed in a timely manner. In addition, the Finance Committee will be developing a plan to assist in the accounting of receipts as well as developing a policy recommendation to Session for the accounting of unrestricted gifts.

The Finance Committee is looking for member participation in our monthly meetings. They occur the second Monday of every month at 7:00 pm.

Appreciation goes out to all members of the Finance Committee for their participation and support throughout the past year.

**Respectfully submitted,
Tony Miezio**

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mission: To encourage higher levels of participation in the life of the church. We encourage seekers to visit the church; visitors to explore programs and fellowship opportunities within the church; regular visitors to become members; members whose participation has diminished to renew their commitment to the church. (RPC Church Mission Task Force; Mission for Membership Committee, 11-9-07)

We welcomed new members to RPC in 2009, attempted to update computer lists and information in our records, updated the membership rolls, and sought ways to invite more participation.

There were nine new members through the graduation of the confirmation class, eleven through attending new member meetings, and seven Baptisms (not counted as “members”). New member meetings consisted of an overview of the Presbyterian Church given by Pastor Scott, and an invitation to join RPC.

The 2009 nine confirmands are Molly Chaney, Colleen Cody, Marika Floros, Tyler Floros, Amanda Hejna, Jack Kemper, Taylor Vogel, Samantha Wilcox, and Abby Willinger.

New adult members are: Courtney and Frank Hooglander, James Marciniak, Chuck Niedrich, Judy Nowak, Michelle Roblee, Amy Sahles, Susan Lynch, David Jorgensen, Keith and Rosalyn Pearson

RPC celebrated seven Baptisms (dates of baptism): Michael Roy Kallas (January 11), John Daniel Luethje (March 8), Izabella Marie Hooglander (June 28), Catherine (Kaki) Carey Lynch and Michael Dobson Lynch, Ellie Anne Pearson, Charlotte Elizabeth Morrison (November).

Photos were provided for the Vision and web site of new members and baptisms, when possible.

Effort was made to update membership records and consolidate different lists. Mailings were sent to all church members to update church contact information, interests, and to clarify membership status. The Deacons assisted in follow-up with their alphabetically assigned Deacon districts. Cost savings were sought in publicizing need for the Per Capita payments by members (rather than by RPC), removing persons from the active or inactive rolls who indicated they wished to be removed, and reducing mailing of the Vision. Many members changed to receiving the Vision by email. Mailing continues however to all who want to receive a hard copy. Data input from the questionnaires into the Shepherd's Staff computer database has been by the diligent work of our church office staff.

Outreach to older members continued with sending art projects/letters made by the children last winter in Sunday school to members who no longer attend due to distance or infirmity. Other committee plans worked on/discussed included a mailing for new local residents, pew cards for visitors, and banners to invite visitors. (These ideas await implementation.)

I look back with gratitude for enthusiasm, teamwork, and assistance from others, and look forward to the year ahead trying to discern and carry out God's will.

Respectfully submitted,
Patti Perry Halline

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Committee Members:

**Beverly Aieta
Debra Jansky
Jenny Kolinski
Alice Mclean
Shelley Reichle**

The Memorial Committee wishes to thank all of those who made donations to the Memorial Fund throughout 2009. The Committee presents the following:

Funds given in memory of Bill Barrett were designated for the painting of the church gymnasium, which has been completed.

Funds given in memory of Marjorie Prass were designated to the restoration of the church stained glass windows.

Funds given in the memory of Liberty Dvorak were designated to the planting of a tree in the church Prayer Garden, which has been planted.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Aieta, chair

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The committee began meeting in October to plan for recruitment of officers for 2010. We met primarily on a weekly basis and also communicated via telephone and e-mail. Nominations were solicited from the congregation via weekly bulletin and Vision notices, as well as from committee members. The committee recruited the following slate of candidates which was presented to the congregation for approval at a congregational meeting held on November 22, 2009 (and a subsequent Special Meeting on January 3, 2010, to approve the withdrawal of Mike Aieta's nomination as trustee and his nomination to Session):

Session

Matt Lisle
George Dluhy
Deb Jansky
Carrie Staubus
Serina Ranft
Mike Aieta
Lynda Nadkarni (2-year term vacated by Lisa Freel)

Deacons

Frank Gangware
Glenna Linder
Thea Kiwiet (2-year term vacated by Hollie Miezio)
Marge Abbott
Marilyn Slanec
Kate Chard
Allan Chard

Trustees

George Meyer
Nancy Jensen
Wayne Penn
(vacancy)

Endowment Committee

Jeanine Buttimer

Nominating Committee

Joe Dvorak
Hollie Miezio
Scott Schwarz
2 Elders (to be determined)
1 Deacon (to be determined)
1 Trustee (to be determined)

Respectfully Submitted by the 2009 Nominating Committee,
Matt Lisle (co-chair), Vicky Vogel (co-chair), Joe Dvorak, Hollie Miezio, Lynda Nadkarni,
Susanne Vogel, and Caroline Tecson

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Committee Members: Joe Dvorak, Serina Ranft, Kathi Roccanova, Stan Schade and Roberta Gates

During 2009, the personnel committee oversaw changes in staffing, a rotation of interns, and a review of all church positions, whether paid or unpaid. Although committee members have sometimes had diverse opinions, the committee as a whole worked together smoothly and equitably to meet the challenges of this past year.

In January, after interviewing several applicants, Donna Jones was hired to work in the church office on Thursdays and Fridays. Donna is computer-savvy and partners well with Linda Hutcheson, RPC's administrative assistant who works Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In addition, Lindsay Hayes, a church member who is now a nursing student, was hired to work in the office during the summer and over Christmas vacation.

After Lynda Nadkarni's resignation, Jenny Kolinski was hired to replace her as the Director of Christian Education (DCE), beginning September 1. Jenny was the ideal choice for this high-profile job, firstly, because she, together with her husband and three children, has been an active and enthusiastic member of our church, and, secondly, because she brings unique talents to the DCE role. Jenny was a member of the planning committee which, after investigating possible options, chose the rotational model for our Sunday school program. She also worked with Janan Cain and others to redecorate the Sunday school rooms to make them the child-friendly and appealing spaces they are now. In addition, Jenny's artistic talents are a real boon. Anyone who saw the delightful Advent calendar she supervised will not be surprised to learn that Jenny has done artwork for advertising agencies.

In June, we sadly said goodbye to Mary Koon, our 2008-2009 intern. Though Mary left a big void, the church, after diligent effort by our pastor, was able to secure an intern for the year 2009-2010. Melissa Gilbert, our current intern, is a second-year student at McCormick Seminary, who, in addition to a number of other duties, has taken over the girl's group which was started by Mary. Melissa is supervised by Rev. Jansen and also reports to a lay committee composed of Jenny Kolinski, Kathi Roccanova and myself.

At the close of the year, all members of the committee conducted informal reviews with the members of the staff, all of whom—from the pastor on down—are talented and hard-working.

A special thanks is extended to John Cain for serving as a consultant during the past year, as well as to all members of the committee who put in many, many hours of behind-the-scenes work to keep our church operating smoothly.

**Respectfully submitted,
Roberta Gates, Chair**

RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

“Gatherings” were the second Wednesday of the month in the Heritage Room at The Scottish Home with a delicious buffet luncheon and outstanding program, arranged by Marjorie Lewe, Elizabeth Musick and Carol Sprunger.

April 8, Roberta Gates reviewed the book Sophie Scholl and the White Rose by Annette Dumbach and Jud Newborn. The time was 1942. The place was Munich, Germany.

September 9, Marjorie Lewe presented, “The Gift of Years”. Growing older is a special period of life--maybe the most special of all.

December 9, “A Holiday Delight” featuring soprano Ingrid Israel with pianist Mary Ann Sadilek. They presented a diverse repertoire ranging from arias to contemporary American songs. Ms. Israel is the granddaughter of former RPC members Harlan and Janet Bane.

Horizons Bible Study was the fourth Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m. at The Scottish Home, with a buffet luncheon to follow for those who wished. The Study, which continued through May, was “JUBILEE! Luke’s Gospel for the poor.” Beginning in September, 2009, though June, 2010, the Study is “Joshua, A Journey of Faith”. Leaders are members Elizabeth Musick, Sylvia Schade and Joyce Van Cura. Since October, 2009, Bible study is meeting in the RPC Social Hall. Five new ladies have joined the group.

Special Projects: Blankets +, dedicated to Sunday, February 22, 2009, for Church World Service, raised \$766.00 from church members and was again handled by Carol Sprunger. In November, to benefit Erie House, Sarah Dudak, Edith Wakely and Carol Sprunger handled the sale of 72 one pound \$8.00 bags of pecans, totaling \$576.00. The amount of \$2.25 of each bag sold goes to the Team Tutoring Program for College Bound High School Students at Erie Neighborhood House.

Coordinating Team, A dedicated group, met several times during the year, included Lucille Christensen, Treasurer; Elizabeth Musick, program assistant, Bible Study Coordinator and liaison with The Scottish Home; Mary Lou Schwarz, poster designer; and Carol Sprunger, publicity.

Respectfully submitted,

**Carol Sprunger
Moderator**

RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:

Study Books	60.00
Donation	<u>14.00</u>
	74.00

Disbursements:

Study Books	66.00
Programs	200.00
Luncheon Guests	66.00
Photo Memo Book	<u>40.14</u>
	372.14

Balance, December 31, 2009	265.84
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Respectfully Submitted,

Lucille Christensen, Treasurer

RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL

It has truly been an honor for me to serve our PreSchool for the last 29 years! I will leave with great satisfaction and gratitude that is hard to convey in mere words. Although I won't miss writing this annual report which I've taken very seriously as it is for me a record of important events in the life of our PreSchool.

Riverside Presbyterian PreSchool serves both children of our congregation (10) as well as the surrounding communities of Brookfield, Lyons, North Riverside and Riverside. There were 60 children enrolled; currently there are 54 (September to December). There are two sessions (Morning and Afternoon), 2½ hours in length and it meets 3 days a week: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The staff meets for a half-day of planning each week on Monday. The teachers shared 34 home visits helping to make the new children feel comfortable in their first school setting. Our PreSchool provides a high quality; developmentally appropriate education for children ages 3 to 5. Our play-based curriculum creates a learning place that is emotionally and physically safe and FUN for all of our children. Our classrooms provide a haven for healthy play and learning. The PreSchool is proud of providing a great beginning to so many children and is one of the most active ministries of our Church.

The quality of teaching is the *most important* determinant of an effective program. We have a dedicated staff that provides that kind of environment. Our teachers shine in their classrooms and their commitment to a first rate program remains strong. Our "Catch 'Em Being Good" continues as our main philosophy. I love greeting the PreSchoolers as their faces light up as they enter; and I love walking from room to room and seeing the teachers at the child's level, seeing the positive child-oriented activities and room set ups! We have qualified; creative teachers who accentuate that play and learning go together in these important early years. Nancy Dvorak, Lisa Manganiello, Barb Sitton and our wonderful new aide Susan Lisle work 3½ days a week and Sandy Haddad works two days a week. Our teachers continue to earn continuing education hours by attending Early Childhood Conferences and all 5 of us are CPR/First Aid certified. We thank Mary Lescher for her terrific job in her role as our Bursar and computer extraordinaire. Jeanine Buttmer will continue in this role.

The PreSchool is administered by the following Board: Lisa Carlson: Chairperson, John Cain, Jill Glawe, Lisa Hennelly, Joan Kanatas, Victoria Manchen, Vince Pecis, Scott Jansen, Mary Lescher. We are most grateful for their leadership and support! Retired Board members: Julie Stack was honored by dedicating special book for the classroom library. I would like to thank ALL my Board Members past and present who have provided me with admirable support during my 29 years. Without exception, I have worked with a group of extremely talented people!

Our Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) currently continues to address the needs of 3 families and has supported many past families. Many of our parents add an extra \$5 to \$10 to their monthly check. This fall, the profits from the Riverside Foods Benefit Days were dedicated to the TAP Fund. A committee within the PreSchool Board administers these funds. This continues to be a wonderful

opportunity for “those who CAN, to help those who CANNOT.” Never has this fund been more important in today’s economy.

The support of our parents is unequalled! In this age when volunteerism is down we marvel at over 400 names of parents who have signed up to help with various tasks from play yard clean up, classroom laundry to recycling cans for the homeless. The Teacher’s Appreciation Committee and volunteer parents provided wonderful monthly lunches. Not only are they a delicious treat but were also a chance for the whole staff to be together in a relaxing environment. In the spring the parents held a lovely Teacher Appreciation Luncheon honoring Cynthia Kos. A beautiful quilt and special memory book were given to celebrate her 8 years with the PreSchool.

An important outcome of raising money is the friendships made among our giving parents as they are working together. We are so blessed and awed by their generosity of time and talent. Various fundraisers also help keep our tuition and field trip costs down including Gold C Books, Candle Sale, Geranium Sale, and Book Fair & Raffle. Our monthly book orders and Campbell’s Labels continue to be sources of supplies as well. PreSchool parents sponsored a Community Tree and decorated it with festive monkeys in Centennial Park.

My favorite quote: “What a glorious day it will be when schools have all the money they need and the government has to hold a bake sale to buy a bomber.”

Our monthly Parent Partnership calendar, “Good News Gazette” report in November and Parent/Teacher conferences in January help us stay in touch with our parents.

Thanks to the hard work of Jon Jansky and Jim Sit we have newly remodeled bathrooms! The sinks have been lowered and the infra red faucets installed which help to prevent passing germs. To this duo we are most grateful!

We are proud of our community outreaches:

1. Visiting the British & Scottish Homes: decorated leaves for the residents’ doors with: “Happy Fall Y’All” for each resident and performing our Halloween songs.
2. Designing Easter Table Centerpieces AND sending over 350 pieces of candy to the Christian Industrial League for their Easter dinner.
3. Saving cancelled commemorative stamps to support bird sanctuaries in Illinois.
4. Recycling aluminum cans for BEDS: sending in \$266. Thanks to the matching funds from Riverside Bank!
5. Ring Leader Program: saving plastic rings from can holders to help the environment.

The following field trips provided fun adventures: Fire & Police Departments Library, and the Brookfield Zoo provided a custom-made class for our adopted animal, Rocky the penguin (we attended on his birthday & even sang to him) and the Riverside Art Center. In-school programs included Dr. Jeri Coffey as the Tooth Fairy, and the important annual visit from *Metra’s Operation Lifesaver*. The last day of class we enjoyed experiencing extraordinary animals from the *Traveling World of Reptiles*. We celebrated Wicky Wacky Wednesday, Dad’s Nights and Mother’s Day Teas. Our 2009 (May) ended with a fun program and graduation. Each child received their own stuffed animal penguin and a beautiful personalized yearbook.

Each year we have a new yearlong theme. It insures us to use our creative thinking. 2008-2009 theme: “Diving into a Great Year & Putting our Best Foot Forward.” We adopted Rocky the penguin from the Brookfield Zoo. A bag containing a stuffed animal

penguin replica and book travels home to a different family every weekend to journal and has some fun adventures. 2009-2010's theme is "Swingin' Into a Great Year;" we've adopted a monkey.

2009 ended with our Christmas Safari and annual visits from Santa jovially played by Bob Kos and his furry sidekick, Rudolf Sandy Haddad. Karena Mendoza played the piano, adding the perfect touch to our fun songs. Thanks to the sewing skills of Lisa Manganiello each family received a special gift: a monkey pillow personalized with their child's handprint.

The wonderful setting of our Church, dedicated and enthusiastic teaching staff, dedicated PreSchool Board and devoted parents has provided a successful and winning combination. We are grateful for the Church's terrific moral support of our program! We appreciate Fred Kitch as our Church Treasurer and the help of our secretaries, Linda Hutcheson and Donna Jones and Joel Hastings as Building Supervisor.

2010 brings its challenges:

- Immediate priority is finding the right candidate for the Director position.
- The Department of Children and Family Services will come to renew our license. This process is always a challenge!
- Celebrating 40 years as the oldest PreSchool in Riverside; organizing fun events!

Here it is 2010(a new year and a new decade!) and 29 years have flown by! Partings are necessary and even important in the progression of life. We may not like them...we may try to put them off...or simply refuse to consider them...but they are an essential ingredient of life as we know it. For partings remind us that life is dynamic...forever changing...and I am most grateful for many of you who have entered and exited my life along the way.

I am confident that RPC PreSchool will face the next 29 years with pride!

Endless gratitude,
Nancy Dvorak

PRESCHOOL BUDGET

RPC Preschool 2009 Financial Analysis

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	1/1/2009	Deposits	Costs	Inflow	Outflow	Net Activity	12/31/2009
Total Revenue	22,832.38	126,169.57	12,255.98	3,877.72	3,773.25	114,018.06	136,850.44
Total Personnel			95,101.53			95,101.53	95,101.53
Total Fringe			6,456.26		1,812.63	8,268.89	8,268.89
Total Operations & Materials			9,475.21	300.00	6,304.47	15,479.68	15,479.68
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STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Annual Report

Committee Members:

**Lauren Cody, Co-Chair
Mike Heine, Co-Chair
Ellen Hamilton**

**Stephanie Messner
Lynda Nadkarni
Bill Vogel**

The aim of the Stewardship Committee in 2009 continues to be to improve understanding of stewardship as something greater and more important than simple fundraising. Had three major responsibilities this year: first, the oversight of all fund raising activities at RPC; second, the Service Auction; third, the 2009 Pledge Drive.

Special Collections

The Stewardship Committee handled the four special offerings.

Service Auction

The service auction was held on September 27th, under the leadership of Lauren Cody, Stephanie Messner, and Kemp Clarke. Although not as well attended as in 2008, this event raised approximately \$9,000 which was used to defray current budget deficits. The committee wishes to thank all of the donors as well as the bidders.

Pledge Drive

All the 2010 Pledge Drive subcommittee included Bill Vogel, Mike Heine, Ellen Hamilton and Lynda Nadkarni. We decided to follow the every member outreach program used the prior year, and we are recommending that it be continued for 2011 as well. Total number of Pledges made for 2009 was 133 (13% more than last year) meeting an early objective of the committee. Total dollars pledged was: \$291,784 (7% more than last year). The percentage of Previous Pledging Members who increased their pledge was: 63%. A special “thank you” to all of those who were “Step Up Callers” on Commitment Sunday.

Other Fund Raising Oversight

Few requests were received for outside fund raising events. Those requests received were discussed expeditiously by Committee members via email and, if and when necessary, brought to Session for approval. The routine for handling these requests has been well established and is easy to maintain.

**Respectfully Submitted
Bill Vogel**

...serving RPC members on their “giving journey”

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees is responsible for all aspects of maintenance, repairs and improvements to our historic church buildings and grounds. Trustees operate within a budget, and under the final approval of the Session. Our goal is to maintain a pleasant and functional facility that serves the needs of our church ministries and also serves as a welcoming resource for the community.

I would like to recognize the contribution of each member of our board over the past year. The 2009 members of the Board of Trustees were Susan Dluhy, Andy Hart, Lou Heine, Debra Jansky, Jon Jansky, George Meyer, Fred Mitchell, Chris Schiller, Jim Sit, Caroline Tecson and Henry Vogel.

We are fortunate to employ a part-time custodian, Krzysztof Gieron, and building supervisor, Joel Hastings, who perform many duties. We appreciate their contribution to maintaining and improving our building.

We also appreciate the many church members who have contributed to our efforts during our monthly All Church Family Work Days.

We continue to manage normal property maintenance issues such as snow removal, the fire alarm system, pest control, lighting and heating and cooling systems, utilities and insurance.

Special projects funded by the trustee budget and special donations in 2009:

- **repair and remodel ladies social hall bathroom,**
- **refinish gym floor, paint gym walls, insulate gym windows,**
- **remodel preschool bathroom (preschool capital project),**
- **continue to develop Prayer Garden,**
- **reupholster parlor chairs, replace parlor carpet, and**
- **install new Hearing Assistance system in sanctuary.**

We worked to reduce expenditures by doing as much as possible ourselves. For example, the building supervisor and trustee members performed both bathroom remodel projects, saving thousands of dollars.

In addition to the above, the following major capital projects continue:

- **The Stained Glass Window Restoration, begun in 2006, is progressing. Our next priority is complete restoration of the Rose Window. An alternate location has been identified for a paver fundraiser and will be installed in spring.**
- **We continue to seek funds to install handicap accessible bathrooms near the sanctuary.**

Challenges and Opportunities

- **With increased building use comes increased security and maintenance issues.**
- **The safety code and zoning issues of the Community House (Manse) must be addressed so that we may use this space fully and effectively in the future.**
- **Finding more ways to reduce building energy consumption.**

**Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Jensen, President**

RYAN WOMACK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Board of Directors of this fund formally met two times this year. The Board awarded \$29,500 in scholarships to 36 recipients.

The recipients are as follows:

ChrisAllen	Lindsay Hayes	Jill Polanski
Christine Armstrong	Allison Heine	Lisa Roccanova
Clayton Ballerine	Lily Henderson	Michael Sit
Kelsey Buttimer	Jordana Jantze	Martha Sitkiewicz
Hope DeVries	Peter Jansen	Justin Smith
Phillip Dluhy	Seth Kazarian	Rachel Teune
April Pratico	Margaret McCoy	Alexa Vogel
John Franzo	Jordan Messner	Brittany Vogel
Caroline Gangware	Emily Mussio	Lauren Vogel
William Gangware	Chris Nelson	William Vogel
Jacob Gregus	Katherine Pike	Maria Vuolo
Lisa Grisafe	Natalie Pike	Sara Wert

The 19th annual fundraiser was held at Riverside Golf Club in October. This event was a huge success, raising over \$19,290 in profit for the fund. Everyone attending had a wonderful time.

This Scholarship Fund was set up to help the youth of our church realize their hopes and dreams for the future, in furthering their education and to keep Ryan's memory alive.

Respectfully submitted from this Board,

Randy Womack, Chairman	Lonnie Womack, Secretary
Lisa Cavaliere	Ron Pike
Nancy Chmell	Shelley Reichle
Jessie Coleman	Dennis Sadilek
Joe Dvorak	Lou Scannicchio
Joe Dvorak IV	Joe Tess
Carol Franzo	Peter Tess
Mike Heine	Chris Ulrich
Christine Long	Bill Vogel
Michelle Luethje	
Milt Nieuwsma	
Carrie Norwood	

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

The Worship and Music Committee enjoyed carrying out its tasks throughout 2009, seeking to be faithful to its mission of helping to 'lift worshipers' hearts up to God in accordance with our Presbyterian theology and polity.'

Responsibilities included:

- 1. Recruiting ushers and liturgists for each Sunday worship service (with Junior High and Senior High Youth volunteers serving as liturgists on each second Sunday of the month), as well as for additional services during Lent and Advent.**

With Session approval the position of acolyte was added to each Sunday's leadership, beginning on Palm Sunday, April 5. This function -- the lighting of the Christ candle on the communion table to symbolize Christ's presence among us -- is being carried out by older children and youth.

- 2. Coordinating the sign-up of communion servers for the first Sunday of each month and for Maundy Thursday.**

- 3. Inviting members of the congregation to light the candles of the Advent Wreath during Advent.**

- 4. Rotating the paraments according to the liturgical year.**

RPC received with gratitude the new, blue parament, and matching stole for the Pastor's use, for Advent, as well as the pall for memorial services. These lovely additions for our sanctuary were designed and made by members of RPC. Assisting in various ways on these projects were Sarah Dudak, Connie Kelly, Susan Lisle, Colleen Muller, Phyllis Sit, Martha Heine, and Deb Pike.

- 5. Coordinating two flowering plant programs: one during Lent (Easter lilies) and one during Advent - Christmastide (poinsettias).**

As part of this program members were again given the opportunity to purchase plants in honor of or in memory of loved ones, or to contribute to the Endowment Fund, the Memorial Fund, or the Music Ministry Fund.

Palm fronds were purchased for use on Palm Sunday.

- 6. Encouraging individuals and families to provide flowers on other Sundays during the year.**

7. Maintaining articles used in our worship space and purchasing supplies as needed.

In addition, on two Sundays the Worship-Music chairs, on behalf of the committee, invited guest ministers as pulpit supply; our Seminary Interns ably preached on several other Sundays. On December 27, the last Sunday of 2009, Steven Teune coordinated and Mary Ann Sadilek led a Hymn Sing during morning worship. Our Pastor, Dr. Scott Jansen, graciously guided and assisted the Worship-Music chairs in planning on these occasions when he had to be away.

Two identical worship services took place on Easter Sunday: at nine a.m. and ten-thirty a.m.

The Christmas program presented by children of RPC, and directed and coordinated by Jenny Kolinski, RPC's Director of Christian Education, was held during the regular Sunday morning worship on December 20. The two Christmas Eve services, planned by Dr. Sally Sloane, Minister of Music and Dr. Jansen, were each designated as a Service of Lessons and Carols.

All choirs of RPC participated in both the Easter and Christmas Eve (4:00 p.m. only) services.

Other special services were a Jazz service on April 19, featuring musician Andy Tecson and friends; Youth Sunday on June 7, planned and led by the youth of RPC and Tara Gregus, Youth Advisor; and an outdoor service for the Blessing of Animals on July 26.

Steven Teune represented the Worship and Music Committee on a visit to an alternative, contemporary worship service at the La Grange Presbyterian Church, along with Tara Gregus, Donna Mitchell, and twelve RPC youth.

We warmly thank everyone who so willingly served as ushers, liturgists, communion servers, and acolytes, and all who volunteered help in many ways to "enrich the worship of God" here at Riverside Presbyterian Church during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Musick and Steven Teune, co-chairs;

Dr. Sally Sloane, Betsy Gardner, Virginia Yang.

MUSIC MINISTRY

2009 was a year of growth and contrasts. The RPC choirs performed several traditional works such as selections from Vivaldi's Gloria, Ave Verum Corpus by Mozart and Since By Man Came Death by Handel. Yet we also featured many contemporary anthems and led the Blessing of the Animals service with contemporary offerings. We honored Mary Koon's request to sing Siyahamba (based on a Zulu hymn) for her last Sunday in June.

Highlights of the year were: Handel's Messiah during the Christmas season, tremendous levels of young talent displayed during the Youth Sundays, growing youth choirs, faithful fellowship with our RPC Chancel Choir, and rising competence in our RPC Handbell Choir.

Thanks to my Angels:

As ever, Mary Ann Sadilek continues to be a god-send to our Music Ministry. Whether she is so ably playing piano/organ duets, leading a hymn sing, lending a harpsichord or accompanying a choir or orchestra, she shares her tremendous talents time and again. Thank you, Mary Ann!

Our Riverside Ringers have actually split into two groups. We rehearse both groups simultaneously for part of each weekly rehearsal. This would not be possible without the most capable help of both Donna Ulrich and Liz Musick. Donna and Liz have made it possible for the older Ringers to move on with their note-reading skills, while training the younger Ringers in the language and FUN of music. Thank you Donna and Liz!

The Riverside Singers have added several new members this year. The group led RPC in worship last year more times than ever before.

Thanks to our summer musicians! I don't recall another summer at RPC when we had some form of special music each Sunday. We certainly had some wonderful musical moments during the summer of 2009.

A Music Ministry comes from the many who lead a congregation in worship. Thank you to all for lending your many talents during 2009: Bev and Mike Aieta, Frank Gangware, Betsy Gardner, John Haugland, Jim McLean, Laura McLean, Rachel McLean, Christ Halline, Jimmy Sit, Kathryn Nadkarni, Ben Mitchell, Alex Shuppara, Mia Haugland, Kelly Haugland, Olivia Meyer, Andi Krug, Alex Krug, Robin Jensen, Jim Marciniak, Karena Mendoza, Molly Chaney, Virginia Yang, Jim Sit, Pat Smith, Madeleine Xiang Woodworth and all the members of the RPC Choirs.

With Joy and Music,

Sally Sloane BM, MM, DMA

SESSION

The responsibilities of the Session, as stated in the Book of Order, include providing for worship, supervising Christian education programs, establishing the annual budget, receiving new members and maintaining membership rolls, supervising the work of the deacons and trustees, approving baptisms, challenging members to a responsible stewardship of time, talent and money, and fostering spiritual growth.

The RPC Session consists of eighteen elders elected by the congregation, and the Pastor, who serves as moderator. The Session elects a clerk and church treasurer annually. Elders serve as chairmen of the various session committees, and may select other RPC members to serve on those committees, whose reports are found on other pages of this annual report. Motions and recommendations from these committees are brought before the session for discussion and action.

Ongoing concerns of the elders during 2009 included encouraging stewardship throughout the year and increasing the number of RPC members who pledge.

Melissa Gilbert was warmly welcomed as a seminary intern, and began her service in September.

The following elders served during 2009

Class of 2009

Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak
John Cain
Lauren Cody
Martha Heine
Matt Lisle
Will Vogel

Class of 2010

Patti Perry Halline
Ellen Hamilton
Mike Heine
Tony Miezio
Dennis Sadilek
Joyce Van Cura*
Melinda Yachnin**

Class of 2011

Lisa Freel*
Roberta Gates
Elizabeth Musick
Mary Ann Sadilek
Steve Teune
Vicky Vogel
Lynda Nadkarni**

* resigned before completion of term

** elected to fill unexpired term

Mary Ann Sadilek
Clerk of Session

Annual Congregational Meeting
Riverside Presbyterian Church
Riverside, IL 60546
Sunday, January 25, 2009
Church Sanctuary

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Scott Jansen
Clerk: Mary Ann Sadilek

The annual meeting of the congregation was opened with prayer by Rev. Jansen and called to order at 10:55 am. A quorum was declared.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive the annual reports and to approve the compensation for the pastor.

The annual report was reviewed and an opportunity provided for questions.

Rev. Jansen and his family were excused from the meeting while Roberta Gates, chairman of the Personnel Committee, explained the proposed compensation package for the pastor. After an opportunity for questions, it was moved and unanimously passed to approve the compensation as presented. The Jansens then rejoined the meeting.

Bill Vogel commented that the success of the pledge drive was based on three factors: a commitment to Rev. Jansen's leadership, the faithfulness to RPC of its members and the courage of the callers on Stewardship Sunday.

The following RPC members who died during 2008 were remembered with prayer:
Lillian Chrastka, Liberty Petru Dvorak, Mary Middaugh Frick and Libbie Krivanek

There being no further business, the congregation joined in singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and the meeting was adjourned at 11:04 am. Rev. Jansen closed the meeting with prayer.

Mary Ann Sadilek
Clerk of Session

Rev. Dr. Scott Jansen
Moderator

Congregational Meeting
Riverside Presbyterian Church
Riverside, IL 60546
Sunday, May 17, 2009
Church Sanctuary

The congregational meeting was opened with prayer and called to order at 11:00 am by Rev. Jansen. A quorum declared was declared by the clerk.

The meeting, which had been called by an e-meeting of the elders, was for the purpose of electing an elder to complete the unexpired term of Joyce Van Cura who resigned.

Matt Lisle, co-chairman of the nominating committee, presented the name of Melinda Yachnin for election. There were no nominations from the floor.

It was moved and unanimously approved to elect Melinda as an elder in the class of 2010.

There being no further business, it was moved and approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 am, and Rev. Jansen offered the closing prayer.

Mary Ann Sadilek
Clerk of Session

Rev. Dr. Scott Jansen
Pastor

Special Congregational Meeting
Riverside Presbyterian Church
Riverside, IL 60546
Sunday, October 11, 2009
Church Sanctuary

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Scott Jansen
Clerk: Mary Ann Sadilek

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Jansen and called to order at 10:56 am.
The clerk declared that a quorum was present.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect a youth deacon to fill the unexpired term of Jordan Messner, class of 2009, and an elder to fill the unexpired term of Lisa Freel, class of 2011.

Matt Lisle, Nominating Committee Co-chairman, submitted the name of Amanda Gregus for deacon, which is a shared position with Alex Krug. There were no further nominations from the floor. It was then moved and seconded to elect Amanda and unanimously passed by voice vote.

The nominating committee had no nominee for the position of elder and there were no nominations from the floor. Thus, the office will remain vacant for the present.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 am and closed with prayer by Rev. Jansen.

Mary Ann Sadilek
Clerk

Rev. Dr. Scott Jansen
Moderator

Account Description	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	Actual Compared to Budget
General Fund Receipts			
Pledged	310,000	294,944.65	(15,055.35)
Loose Offering	5,000	3,640.32	(1,359.68)
Other Income	6,000	4,968.30	(1,031.70)
Budget Shortfall	0	963.50	963.50
Interest Income	500	313.77	(186.23)
Endowment Income	1,400	1,670.29	270.29
Preschool Contribution	6,300	6,300.00	0.00
Stewardship Auction	0	8,996.00	8,996.00
Total Income	329,200	321,796.83	(7,403.17)
General Fund Disbursements			
Pastor			
Salary	40,134	40,134.00	0.00
Housing Allowance	33,000	33,000.00	0.00
FICA Reimbursement	5,595	5,595.00	0.00
Pension	9,136	9,136.20	0.20
Major Medical	14,846	14,846.16	0.16
Medical Deductible	3,000	3,000.00	0.00
Professional Expenses	2,000	722.90	(1,277.10)
Continuing Education	1,000	316.85	(683.15)
	108,711	106,751.11	(1,959.89)
Youth and Education Staff			
Senior / Junior High Youth Advisor	11,479	11,478.96	(0.04)
Director of Christian Education	17,842	16,061.36	(1,780.64)
Continuing Education - Dir Christian Ed	1,000	556.40	(443.60)
	30,321	28,096.72	(2,224.28)
Worship and Music			
Minister of Music	31,387	31,386.96	(0.04)
Worship Supplies	0	668.77	668.77
Professional Music	860	1,270.89	410.89
Supplies, Music and Tuning	1,500	1,194.59	(305.41)
Guest Preachers	600	300.00	(300.00)
Substitute Organists	525	0.00	(525.00)
	34,872	34,821.21	(50.79)
Inter / Outer Reach			
Covenant of Churches	200	200.00	0.00
Christian Education	3,500	3,570.53	70.53
Child Care	6,000	4,397.72	(1,602.28)
Youth Activities	1,000	1,000.00	0.00
CARERS Committee	200	45.83	(154.17)
Membership Committee	400	0.00	(400.00)
Stewardship Committee	1,000	340.14	(659.86)
Fellowship Committee	100	0.00	(100.00)
	12,400	9,554.22	(2,845.78)
Buildings and Grounds			
Building Supervisor	12,945	6,472.56	(6,472.44)
Custodian	12,600	12,600.00	0.00
Utilities	35,340	24,636.85	(10,703.15)
Property Maintenance	16,000	15,999.96	(0.04)
Insurance	13,900	11,656.00	(2,244.00)
Building Projects	6,094	0.00	(6,094.00)
	96,879	71,365.37	(25,513.63)
Office			
Newsletter Editor	2,797	2,788.04	(8.96)
Administrative Assistant	17,443	14,422.93	(3,020.07)
Office Supplies and Printing	6,000	3,435.83	(2,564.17)
Office Equipment Maintenance and Lease	10,000	8,532.26	(1,467.74)
Postage	2,000	1,894.65	(105.35)
Telephone	2,900	3,563.54	663.54
Per Capita - Received	0	(2,750.45)	(2,750.45)
Per Capita - Paid	12,674	12,871.95	197.95
Workers' Compensation	2,400	1,166.37	(1,233.63)
Taxes - FICA / Medicare	5,894	6,011.58	117.58
Miscellaneous	400	(0.01)	(400.01)
Staff Expense	500	152.14	(347.86)
	63,008	52,088.83	(10,919.17)
Church Wide Mission			
Church Wide Mission	15,000	15,000.00	0.00
Total Normal Operating Expenses	361,191	317,677.46	(43,513.54)
Special Funds			
Special Funds - Principal	3,998	3,998.42	0.42
Special Funds - Interest	121	120.95	(0.05)
Total Expenses	365,310	321,796.83	(43,513.17)
Budget Deficit (Shortfall) / Totals	(36,110)	0.00	36,110.00

Account Description	Beginning Balance	2009 Receipts	2009 Disbursements	Ending Balance
Special Funds				
Memorials	7,653.38	970.00	2,623.99	5,999.39
Mary Frick Memorial - CARERS Committee	1,835.00	50.00	900.00	985.00
Wedding Ministry	52.20	900.00	850.00	102.20
Cheerful Giver - Planting Paryer Garden	0.00	35.00	0.00	35.00
Continuing Education	90.52	162.91	0.00	253.43
Rotational Model	(194.95)	1,344.95	1,150.00	0.00
Adult Education	155.48	0.00	0.00	155.48
Seminary Student	4,760.53	7,100.00	6,307.33	5,553.20
Capital Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Projects - Gym Floor Resurfacing	200.00	450.00	650.00	0.00
Capital Projects - Computer Lab	0.00	764.00	0.00	764.00
Property Maintenance	0.00	19,390.81	14,969.22	4,421.59
Library Fund	(23.00)	0.00	0.00	(23.00)
Stained Glass Windows Restoration - Brick	4,700.00	1,500.00	0.00	6,200.00
Stained Glass Windows Restoration	12,624.87	378.00	0.00	13,002.87
Handicap Accessibility	13,906.25	0.00	0.00	13,906.25
Contingency Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Organ Fund	6,087.00	0.00	0.00	6,087.00
Hunger Fund	249.97	910.69	1,079.69	80.97
One Great Hour of Sharing	0.00	1,200.68	1,200.68	0.00
Local Peacemaking	116.56	222.96	0.00	339.52
Pentecost	20.00	539.84	559.84	0.00
Christmas Joy	1,653.02	567.00	1,678.02	542.00
Local Pentecost	284.40	223.94	0.00	508.34
Tools of Hope and Blanket Program	0.00	786.00	766.00	20.00
Peacemaking	326.86	565.00	891.86	0.00
Music Fund	888.71	250.84	1,139.55	0.00
Pass thru Mission Funds	0.00	205.30	205.30	0.00
Sunday School Mission Project	1,021.25	114.29	218.12	917.42
Night Ministry	1,031.29	10.00	0.00	1,041.29
Mission Outreach Committee	1,124.25	0.00	0.00	1,124.25
Mission 2007	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Retreat - Adult - Men	350.00	3,115.00	3,290.00	175.00
Good Samaritan	545.68	358.65	447.11	457.22
Retreat - Adult - Women	470.00	2,065.00	1,905.00	630.00
Ministers' Emergency Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Retreat - Family	0.00	2,181.50	2,224.00	(42.50)
Youth Mission Projects	516.86	15,525.00	14,909.60	1,132.26
Youth Activities Fund Raisers	(14.89)	14.89	0.00	0.00
Wednesday Night Live ! (WNL!)	0.00	2,720.00	1,676.38	1,043.62
Fellowship	0.00	789.33	381.85	407.48
Fellowship - Strawberry Social	0.00	1,332.70	665.17	667.53
Flowers	719.26	1,145.00	1,160.00	704.26
Flowers - Easter Memorial	0.00	425.00	330.90	94.10
Flowers - Christmas Memorial	244.00	430.00	0.00	674.00
Building Use - Security Deposits	276.00	100.00	200.00	176.00
Miscellaneous Clearing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Church 700's Account Totals	62,670.50	68,844.28	63,379.61	68,135.17
Deacon Fund	6,695.65	1,102.15	3,839.34	3,958.46
Womack Memorial Scholarship	68,737.59	32,826.15	25,036.20	76,527.54
Endowment Contributions	75.00	99,798.92	96,873.92	3,000.00
Endowment Income	0.00	2,965.54	2,965.54	0.00
Endowment Loan Repayment - Principal	0.00	5,569.14	3,361.02	2,208.12
Endowment Loan Repayment - Interest	0.00	120.95	82.15	38.80
Endowment Borrowing	(3,998.42)	3,998.42	963.50	(963.50)
Pre School - Net	22,832.38	130,347.29	135,013.23	18,166.44
Unknown Deposit	0.00	1,292.86	1,292.86	0.00
Totals	157,012.70	346,865.70	332,807.37	171,071.03

2010 RPC Budget

	<u>2009 Budget</u>	<u>2010 Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>General Fund Receipts</u>			
201 Pledged	\$ 290,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	
201 Unpledged	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	
201 Easter Offering			
201 Mothers Day Offering			
201 Thanksgiving Offering			
201 Christmas Offering			
201 Wreath Fundraiser			
202 Loose Offering	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	
203 Other Income	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	
204 Budget Shortfall	\$ 36,110.00	?	
205 Interest Income	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
206 Endowment Income	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,000.00	
207 Preschool Contribution	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 6,800.00	
208 Stewardship Auction			
209 Funeral			
<u>Total Income</u>	\$ 365,310.00	\$ 338,300.00	
<u>General Fund Distributions</u>			
<u>Pastor</u>			
591 Salary	\$ 40,134.00	\$ 41,596.68	4%
592 Housing Allowance	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 33,000.00	0%
593 FICA Reimbursement	\$ 5,595.00	\$ 5,706.65	2%
594 Pension	\$ 9,136.00	\$ 9,251.60	1%
595 Major Medical	\$ 14,846.00	\$ 15,033.85	1%
596 Medical Deductible	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	-17%
597 Professional Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0%
598 Continuing Education	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0%
<u>Total Pastor</u>	\$ 108,711.00	\$ 110,088.78	1%

2% pay raise equates to: \$ 3,340.00

Youth and Education Staff

605 Senior/Junior High Youth	\$ 11,479.00	\$ 11,708.58	2%
606 Dir. Of Christian Education	\$ 17,842.00	\$ 15,000.00	-16%
608 Cont. Ed.-Dir. Christian Ed.	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0%
<u>Total Youth and Ed.</u>	\$ 30,321.00	\$ 27,708.58	-9%

Worship and Music

612 Minister of Music	\$ 31,387.00	\$ 32,014.74	2%
614 Worship Supplies			
615 Prof. Music-Easter	\$ 860.00	\$ 860.00	0%
615 Prof. Music-Jazz			
615 Prof. Music Messiah			
615 Prof. Music Memb./Dues			
616 Supplies, Music & Tuning	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0%
617 Guest Preachers	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	0%
618 Substitute Organist	\$ 525.00	\$ -	-100%
618a Continuing Ed.	0	\$ 525.00	
<u>Total W & M</u>	\$ 34,872.00		-100%

Wants to rollover if not used

Inter/Outer Reach

619 Covenant of Churches	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	0%
620 Christian Education	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	0%
621 Child Care	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	0%
622 Youth Activities	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0%
623 CARERS Committee	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	0%
627 Membership Committee	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0%
628 Stewardship Committee	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0%
629 Fellowship Committee	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0%
<u>Total Reach</u>	\$ 12,400.00	\$ 12,400.00	

<u>Building and Grounds</u>					
630 Building Supervisor	\$ 12,945.00	\$ 13,203.00	2%		
631 Custodian	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 12,852.00	2%		
632 Utilities	\$ 35,340.00	\$ 33,578.00	-5%		
633 Property Maintenance	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	6%		
634 Insurance	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 15,238.00	10%		
635 Building Projects	\$ 6,094.00	\$ 19,600.00	222%		1,600 Men's Social Hall Restroom
<u>Total Build & Grnds.</u>	\$ 96,879.00	\$ 111,471.00	15%		3,000 Sidewalk Repair 15,000 Bathroom
<u>Office</u>					
639 Newsletter Editor	\$ 2,797.00	\$ 2,852.94	2%		
640 Admin. Assistant	\$ 17,443.00	\$ 17,791.86	2%		
641 Office Supp. & Printing	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	-33%		
642 Office Equip. Maint. & Leas	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,600.00	6%		600 for Computer Equip.
643 Postage	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0%		
644 Telephone	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 2,900.00	0%		
645 Per Capita - Received					
645 Per Capita - Paid	\$ 12,674.00	\$ 13,154.85	4%		
646 Worker's Compensation	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,500.00	4%		
647 Taxes - FICA/Medicare	\$ 5,894.00	\$ 6,863.44	16%		
649 Miscellaneous	\$ 400.00	\$ -	-100%		
650 Staff Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00	-40%		
<u>Total Office</u>	\$ 63,008.00		-100%		
<u>Church Wide Mission</u>					
655 Church Wide Mission	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	13%		2k Deacon Request
656 Deacon Misc. Request	\$ -	\$ 2,300.00			New request
<u>Total Oper. Exp.</u>	\$ 361,191.00	\$ 379,431.19			\$ 354,406.19 Removing all suggested cuts
<u>Special Funds</u>					
662 Special Funds - Principal	\$ 3,998.00				
663 Special Funds - Interest	\$ 121.00				
<u>Total Expenses</u>	\$ 365,310.00				