

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Chehalis, Washington

2021 Annual Report



Annual Meeting
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Westminster Presbyterian Church
349 North Market Blvd.
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“Glorifying God and Reflecting the Love of Jesus Christ to the World”

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The office staff and volunteers wish to thank all the authors and contributors to the 2021 Annual Report.

From the Pastor

What have we learned in 2021, and where might we go in 2022?

- *We have learned that...trying something new is okay, and maybe more than okay. In 2022...what is the next new thing we should try?*
- *We have learned that...staying connected as a community of faith is critical, but does have its challenges. In 2022...how will we invest our time and resources in providing multiple paths of being in community with one another?*
- *We have learned that...being together every week in worship is important for many. Being free to be where they need to be is important for others. In 2022...how can we respect and honor both these ways of being?*
- *We have learned that...everyone has gifts to serve, no matter their age or ability. Every church has gifts to serve, no matter how large or small. In 2022...will we listen to the Spirit and learn to see first what we can do, not what we can't do, and how God can use what we have to offer in new and exciting ways?*
- *We have learned that...letting go of how we've always done something can be liberating, while still honoring what was. In 2022...what else do we need to let go of so we can follow Christ into this new world?*

This year we will be asked to be more focused and intentional in our discernment and our ministry. No church can be everything to everybody. No church can sustain its ways of being without an openness to letting go of what is done and grabbing hold of what is new and creating. The Holy Spirit is at work in what is challenging and in what we need to stop doing, and is always showing us new possibilities and opportunities if we are looking. What did you learn in 2021 and where might you help Westminster go in 2022?

Blessings for this new year! Rev. Debbie Garber, Transitional Pastor

Building and Grounds (B and G)

Annual report for 2021

Members of this committee in 2021 included: Gaylord Jones, past chairman, Wayne Osborn current chairman, Mike Dwyer consultant, Robert Capps, maintenance, Linda Prosser, and Judy Wilson recorder.

B and G is grateful for the leadership during these Covid times and before. Gaylord Jones was chairman for several years and Wayne Osborn took on this leadership position when Gaylord retired from B and G. Both were strong positive leaders and kept B and G going during the time we couldn't gather.

We are also thankful for Carolin Auvil Greenfield for everything she has done with the prayer garden on the west side of the Carr Community Center. It was her leadership and hard work that brought this area from a soggy bog to a garden with paths, automatic watering system and garden beds. She had the vision and work ethic to make this transformation possible.

We are also grateful to Mark Giffey for keeping the lawns mowed and neatly trimmed during the last couple of years. The church looks neat and well-kept due to Mark's continuous maintenance of the lawns.

We are grateful to many people who do their best to keep WPC looking and working at its best.

- Robert Capps, WPC's maintenance person, who keeps the lights shining and heat on.
- Mike Dwyer who is B and G's consultant and can track down companies and individuals to do work required around the church campus.

The Trench Project was completed in 2021 and allows the water that ran under the church building to be channeled or controlled into a pipe and than a catch basic, so the water doesn't damage the church's foundation.

The big indoor project for 2021 was the refurbishing of the History Room in the brick building. Jean Bluhm is our Historian and had put together several displays, but the area was dark and not inviting especially during the dark wintery days. One of the last pieces of business Presbyterian Women did was to set aside money to refurbish the History Room and purchase a new carpet that would cover the entire area.

Thanks to the leadership

of Wayne Osborn and Jean Bluhm this dream was realized in 2021. If you haven't seen the History Room lately, you should make a time to see it. It is beautiful and the displays are well arranged.

Thanks to Jean and Wayne.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES (CYF)

Following a lengthy pause of all activities, CYF initiated a return of activities in June of 2021 meeting with families to seek input on activities for the summer of 2021 as well as planning ahead to the 2021-2022 school year. Out of this came a plan to approach activities from an intergenerational perspective and include opportunities for children and youth as well as whole families, and whole congregational opportunities focusing on the benefits of intergenerational opportunities and connections.

Since June of 2021, CYF has offered four summer activities that were met with interest and a various levels of participation including dinner and planning with families at the Rotter's, a hike to the cross on the hill at the DeGoede Chapel followed by lunch at the lake, and a visit to the Oregon Zoo.

Based on the input from WPC's children, youth, and families, CYF has offered a weekly Sunday evening intergenerational gathering Sunday evenings from 5-7 sharing in a meal, games, song, learning, and prayer. In December, the youth delivered poinsettias to members of the congregation identified by the deacons.

-Submitted by Kathryn Rotter, CYF Director

Clerk's Report for 2021

Three members of Westminster Presbyterian Church of Chehalis passed away in 2021

Thomas Beaty	9-11-21
Beverly Ramsey	11-15-21
Garth Borden	11-25-21

Ministers serving WPC during 2021 after our called pastor, Edward Wegele dissolved our relationship on 11-15-20

Tony Reynolds CRE (Commissioned Ruling Elder)
Our Bridge Pastor from 11-15-20 to 4-11-21

Pastor Debbie Garber

Our Transitional Pastor beginning 4-11-21 and continuing until a called pastor is selected.

WPC continued to serve its members through the entire covid pandemic beginning with Pastor Ed Wegele in 2020 using ZOOM and YouTube as modes of communication. This continued into 2021 when Tony was our Bridge Pastor. When Pastor Debbie arrived, we were still using both modes of communication. Beginning in 2021, people were encouraged to return to in-person worship when they felt comfortable. By the end of 2021 most people are attending in-person.

We had communion on the first Sunday of each month in 2021. If a member attended via ZOOM, they provided their own elements. When people began returning to church, individual sealed packages were distributed to those in attendance.

The Session meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month for its regular meetings. They have been held via ZOOM most of the year.

Westminster Presbyterian Church of Chehalis

Mission of the Church Commission

2021 Benevolence Report

20% of the total giving plus Special Offerings

LOCAL MISSION 50%

Name:

- Greater Chehalis Food Bank
- LOVE INC
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hope & Health Medical
- Local Causes (Gas Vouchers)
- Community Projects
- Pre-school Support
- Emerging Local Needs
- Gospel Mission

REGIONAL MISSION 25%

Name

- Presbytery
- Soundview Camp
- Emerging Regional Needs

WORLDWIDE MISSION 25%

Name

- General Assembly
- Malawi
- Emerging WW Needs

NOTES

- Members of this commission in 2021 included:
Kay Odegaard, Hank and Jenny Kirk, Linda Prosser, Don and Judy Wilson
- Two requirements for receiving funding from WPC include there needs to be people involved in the agency and that agency needs to keep the church updated on their activities throughout the year.
- Each year these receivers are evaluated and decisions are made about which groups will receive funds.
- If you are interested in mission and would like to be part of this group, please contact the commission.

SOUNDS OF WESTMINSTER

For the musicians of Westminster, 2021 was a year of frustration. We missed the fellowship of weekly rehearsals and sharing our musical gifts in worship for most, if not all, of the year. The nature of the COVID virus made singing in a group impossible; choir folders were put on the shelf and robes hung in the closet. Westminster Bells was able to gather for a few weeks, distanced and masked. Although we had to cancel our annual Christmas concert for the second year, we were able to perform a couple of songs at the Pacific Northwest Chamber Orchestra concert in December.

We are so thankful that Carolin and Jan were able to continue playing the piano and organ. Whether they play separately or share a lovely duet, their offerings have kept the music legacy alive at Westminster.

The word for 2022 is HOPE.

We HOPE that this year will finally bring about control of the virus and its spread. The many musicians of this church are waiting in the wings and are eager to share their love of God through song.

Carol Days,
Director of Chancel Choir and Westminster Bells

Worship, Music, Faith Formation

Sunday mornings continue to be our main connection as a congregation during this time of Covid. We are in-person and on Zoom praising God and caring for one another. While we all look forward to the day when we can all gather in the sanctuary, we are grateful for the ministry of technology, and Michael Schieffer and Aiden Roe, that has kept us connected as a worshiping community.

Worship has also been a time with opportunities to share our hopes and challenges about mission, our faith, and what is most important to us as the body of Christ here in Chehalis. Following worship smaller groups have gathered to complete the Vital Congregations Initiative tasks for Year One, and for a book study on the Difficult Words of Jesus, led by Don Wilson. The Westminster Bells returned in the Fall and have blessed us each month with their spirit and their music. Although the Christmas Concert was once more suspended, they were able to share their Christmas spirit with us on December 5. We also have new banners for Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, and the in-between times in the Sanctuary, thanks to a donation from Chuck and Nancy Emerick.

We have been especially blessed by the music ministry of Jan Snider, organist, and Carolin Auvil-Greenfield, pianist, every Sunday morning. They are truly dedicated and talented! They are especially tolerant of the pastor's affinity for the Glory to God hymnal even though the layout of the accompanist version is not very useful.

As for fellowship, you all continue to support and stay connected to one another in many ways. Hopefully this time in the wilderness will help us appreciate and savor simple things like a cup of coffee and conversation after worship, a congregational meal, a memorial reception, and all the ways that strengthen our bonds so that we can do Christ's work in the world and for each other.

Pastor Debbie

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHEHALIS
BUDGETED
GENERAL FUND INCOME AND EXPENSES

BUDGETED INCOME

	<u>2021 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2021 BUDGET</u>
REGULAR OFFERINGS	219,627.34	202,375.00
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	5,115.79	0.00
OTHER INCOME	179.52	1,250.00
	<u>224,922.65</u>	<u>203,625.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>224,922.65</u>	<u>203,625.00</u>

BUDGETED EXPENSES

PERSONNEL		
PASTOR	75,818.43	81,893.00
SUPPORT STAFF	26,201.54	31,520.00
MUSIC STAFF	3,700.00	13,265.00
EMPLOYER TAXES	3,690.45	5,298.00
PER CAPITA	4,980.00	4,980.00
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	21,814.72	23,820.00
COMPUTER EXPENSES	593.28	1,900.00
COPIER EXPENSES	5,039.79	8,100.00
UTILITIES	16,909.14	17,500.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	2,116.87	6,000.00
VEHICLE TAGS	88.25	85.00
MISSION OF CHURCH		
LOCAL	22,982.25	20,188.00
REGIONAL	8,207.93	9,114.00
WORLD	12,437.55	10,673.00
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	5,065.79	0.00
CYF		
CHILDRENS	100.00	3,800.00
YOUTH	98.53	2,600.00
FAMILIES	90.00	1,100.00
WORSHIP	1,699.90	3,200.00
MUSIC	3,421.17	5,375.00
HOSPITALITY & OUTREACH	1,647.72	2,600.00
	<u>216,703.31</u>	<u>253,011.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>216,703.31</u>	<u>253,011.00</u>
DEFICIT BEFORE RESTRICTED FUNDS	8,219.34	-49,386.00
RESTRICTED FUNDS USED	198.53	8,500.00
FINAL BUDGETED SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>8,417.87</u>	<u>-40,886.00</u>

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

	2022 Proposed
INCOME	
CONTRIBUTIONS	237,960
OTHER INCOME	335
TOTAL INCOME	238,295
EXPENSES	
PASTOR	100,115
SUPPORT STAFF	34,075
MUSIC STAFF	13,900
EMPLOYER TAXES	5,530
ANNUAL PER CAPITA	5,160
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	25,550
COMPUTER EXPENSES	2,500
COPIER EXPENSES	6,950
UTILITIES	18,600
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	6,000
VAN LICENSE	90
MISSION OF CHURCH	47,132
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES	3,800
YOUTH MINISTRIES	2,600
FAMILY MINISTRIES	1,100
WORSHIP	3,200
MUSIC	5,375
HOSPITAL AND OUTREACH	2,600
TOTAL EXPENSES	284,277
PRELIMINARY DEFICIT	-45,982
BUDGETED DESIGNATED FUND RELEASES	6,500
PROJECTED DEFICIT	-39,482

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2020-2021 BALANCE SHEETS

	----- END OF CALENDAR YEAR 2020 -----					----- END OF CALENDAR YEAR 2021 -----				
	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	WPC PRESCHOOL	DEACONS	Total	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	WPC PRESCHOOL	DEACONS	Total
ASSETS										
BANK ACCOUNTS										
SSB Checking	\$35,588.20	\$18,822.00	-\$15,852.67	\$3,098.97	41,656.50	\$34,830.35	\$4,999.39	-\$25,001.93	\$3,077.51	17,905.32
SSB Savings	\$160,120.09	\$70,478.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	230,598.95	\$160,168.14	\$70,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	230,668.14
Subtotal Bank Accounts	\$195,708.29	\$89,300.86	-\$15,852.67	\$3,098.97	\$272,255.45	\$194,998.49	\$75,499.39	-\$25,001.93	\$3,077.51	\$248,573.46
INVESTMENTS										
LOAN TO PRESCHOOL FND		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	38,688.78		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	38,688.78
TOTAL ASSETS	\$234,397.07	\$89,300.86	-\$15,852.67	\$3,098.97	\$310,944.23	\$233,697.27	\$75,499.39	-\$25,001.93	\$3,077.51	\$287,262.24
LIABILITIES										
CURRENT LIABILITIES										
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS										
VIA Family Leave Act	\$544.37	\$0.00	\$91.20	\$0.00	635.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES										
Loan from General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38,688.78	\$0.00	38,688.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38,688.78	\$0.00	38,688.78
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$544.37	\$0.00	\$38,779.98	\$0.00	39,324.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38,688.78	\$0.00	38,688.78
NET ASSETS										
UNRESTRICTED ASSETS										
Net Unrestricted Assets	-\$24,251.29	\$0.00	-\$15,943.87	\$3,098.97	-37,096.19	-\$25,062.19	\$0.00	-\$25,001.93	\$3,077.51	-46,986.61
DONOR RESTRICTED										
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED										
3203-107 Capital Improvnm	\$0.00	\$84,517.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	84,517.71	\$0.00	\$73,938.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	73,938.85
Rug Replacement	\$0.00	\$4,783.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	4,783.15	\$0.00	\$1,560.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,560.54
3225-113 Pulpit Communion	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	\$744.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	744.00
3230-114 History Fund	\$1,343.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,343.81	\$1,343.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,343.81
3235-115 Adult Mission	\$191.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	191.58	\$191.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	191.58
3250-118 Pastor Discretn	\$246.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	246.28	\$246.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	246.28
3260-119 Invstmnt Youth	\$55,144.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	55,144.11	\$54,945.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	54,945.58
3270-121 Loving Tribute	\$167,816.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	167,816.02	\$167,916.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	167,916.02
3280-123 Bell Choir	\$4,042.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	4,042.27	\$4,042.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	4,042.27
3285-124 Chancel Choir	\$400.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	400.85	\$400.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	400.85
3290-125 Christian Colleg	\$28,769.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	28,769.07	\$28,769.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	28,769.07
PREV YR DEFICITS										
DONOR ADVISORY FUNDS	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$38,688.78	\$0.00	-38,688.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$38,688.78	\$0.00	-38,688.78
Family 1 -- DAF	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	150.00
Subtotal Temporarily Restricted	\$258,103.99	\$89,300.86	-\$38,688.78	\$0.00	308,716.07	\$258,749.46	\$75,499.39	-\$38,688.78	\$0.00	295,560.07
Subtotal Donor Restricted	\$258,103.99	\$89,300.86	-\$38,688.78	\$0.00	308,716.07	\$258,749.46	\$75,499.39	-\$38,688.78	\$0.00	295,560.07
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$233,852.70	\$89,300.86	-\$54,632.65	\$3,098.97	271,619.88	\$233,697.27	\$75,499.39	-\$63,690.71	\$3,077.51	248,573.46
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$234,397.07	\$89,300.86	-\$15,852.67	\$3,098.97	310,944.23	\$233,697.27	\$75,499.39	-\$25,001.93	\$3,077.51	287,262.24