

Stoneboro Presbyterian Church

2017 Annual Report



Congregational Meeting

January 28, 2018

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Call for the Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of Stoneboro Presbyterian Church shall be held on Sunday, January 28, 2017 at 12:05 p.m. in the sanctuary. This meeting was announced from the pulpit and printed in the bulletin on Sundays, January 14, 21, and 28, the required two weeks prior to the meeting date thus fulfilling the requirements of our Manual of Administrative Operations.

I hereby request a motion that the call for the Annual Meeting of the Stoneboro Presbyterian Church be found in order.

Motion_____

Second_____

Carried_____

A quorum for the meeting is 10% of the active membership.
(total active membership: _____)

Attendance at the meeting_____.

The Congregation and Corporation Meeting—January 28, 2018—12:05PM

Congregational Meeting

1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer by Moderator
2. The Call for the Meeting – Clerk of Session
Motion _____, Second _____; Approved _____
Number attending _____; Quorum (Y/N)
3. Reading of the Minutes of the 2017 Congregational Meetings:
 - a. January 29, March 26, & December 10
4. Statistical Report from the Clerk of Session
5. Nominations and Election of 2018 Nominating Team
6. Reports of Pastor and 2017 Year-in-Review
Motion to approve the report and Year-in-Review _____,
Second _____, Carried _____
7. Necrology Report and Prayer for Members Departed
8. Motion to suspend the Congregational meeting and to convene the meeting of the Corporation _____, Second _____; Carried _____

Corporation Meeting

1. 2017 Mutual Funds and Investments Report—Year End Review
2. Financial Report of Year 2017
Motion to approve report _____, Second _____; Carried _____
3. Presentation of the 2018 Budget
4. Motion to elect Roberta McClelland, Treasurer, and Debbie McComb, Financial Secretary, to serve for the year 2018; _____, Second _____; Carried _____
5. Motion to adjourn meeting of the Corporation and resume the Congregational meeting _____, Second _____; Carried _____

Congregational Meeting (resumed)

9. Old/New Business before the Congregation
10. Motion for Adjournment _____, Second _____; Carried _____
11. Closing Prayer

Stoneboro Presbyterian Church Congregational Meeting
January 29, 2017

A Congregational and Corporation meeting was held on January 29, 2017 at 12:30 PM in the social hall of Stoneboro Presbyterian Church. The meeting was called to order by Reverend Adam Rodgers followed by prayer. The meeting was announced from the pulpit and printed in the bulletin on Sundays, January 15, 22, and 29, the required 2 weeks prior to the meeting date thus fulfilling the requirements of our Manual of Administrative Operations. The Call for the Annual Meeting of the Stoneboro Presbyterian Church was found to be in order and approved by a motion made by Bill Redfoot and seconded by Maxine Amos and approved.

There were 16 members in attendance, fulfilling the requirement of 10% of active membership for a quorum. The minutes of the January 31, 2016 Congregational Meeting, the April 10, 2016 Congregational Meeting, and the December 11, 2016 Congregational Meeting were approved on a motion by Lindsay Rodgers and seconded by Connie Covington.

The Statistical Report of the Clerk of Session was presented. We began 2016 with 102 members. We ended with 100. We lost 2 members of the church in Memorium.

The Nomination Committee left nominations open to fill the members at large slots. The Nominating Committee consists of outgoing Elders Sarah Gibson and Carrie Fusco. The Deacons of the Nominating Committee are outgoing Deacons Jean Stamp and Nancy Everall. The motion to approve the members of the Nominating Committee was approved on a motion by Debbie McComb and seconded by Maxine Amos.

The Pastor's Report (The Year 2016 in Review) was presented. This report includes activities from Deacons, Worship, Education, Congregational Care, Outreach and Mission, and Stewardship. Included also were Baptisms (1 adult), weddings (1), and funerals (7, 2 of which were members). A motion to approve the Year in Review was made by Heather Bauerle and seconded by Bill Redfoot.

A motion by Maxine Amos to suspend the Congregational Meeting and convene to the Corporation Meeting was seconded by Sarah Gibson and approved. Rich McComb provided those in attendance with a report on our Mutual Funds and Investment. We began 2016 with \$152,932.70 in our Mutual Fund Account. Our ending balance on December 31, 2016 was \$126,351. We withdrew \$33,950.00 to cover our expenses through the year. We gained \$7,369.21. We have a Certificate of Deposit at Mercer County State Bank for \$100,000. The church also owns 222 shares of stock in Mercer County State Bank worth approximately \$8,250.00. A motion was made by Connie Covington and seconded by Michelle Reiser to approve the Financial Report for the Year 2016.

Attached is a copy of the 2017 Budget of the Stoneboro Presbyterian Church. The budget was presented and approved at a Congregational Meeting on December 11, 2016.

A motion to adjourn the Corporation Meeting and Resume the Congregational Meeting was made by Connie Covington and seconded by Bill Redfoot and approved.

A vision and plan for Stoneboro Presbyterian Church was presented by Session. The vision is titled "The Love of Christ Compels Us".

A motion to adjourn the Congregational Meeting was made by Debbie McComb and seconded by Connie Covington and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM with a prayer by Rev. Rodgers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Gibson
Clerk of Session

Rev. Adam Rodgers
Moderator

Stoneboro Presbyterian Church
Congregational Meeting Minutes
Sunday, March 26, 2017

The congregation of Stoneboro Presbyterian Church met on March 26, 2017 at 12:10 pm in the sanctuary. There were 28 members of the congregation present. The meeting was called to order on a motion by Debbie McComb and seconded by Jennifer Redfoot. Rev. Adam Rodgers opened with prayer.

A motion by Sarah Gibson presented Jamey Klonowski and Sherry Ibbs as nominees for Deacons and Jacob Bennfield as a nominee for Ruling Elder. This motion was seconded by William Everall and the entire congregation in attendance was in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Maxine Amos and seconded by Heather Bauerle to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Rev. Rodgers closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Gibson

Clerk of Session

Rev. Adam Rodgers

Moderator

Stoneboro Presbyterian Church
Congregational Meeting
December 10, 2017

The Congregation of Stoneboro Presbyterian Church met on Sunday, December 10, 2017, in the sanctuary after the worship service. The purpose of the meeting was to present the 2018 Terms of Call for Rev. Rodgers.

The meeting was called to order after a motion by Debbie McComb, and a second by Heather Edinboro. Rev. Rodgers opened with prayer. There were 22 members present at the meeting. Rev. Rodgers excused himself for the next portion of the meeting.

The 2018 Terms of Call had been distributed to all church members present. After Sarah Gibson moved to accept the Terms of Call and Roberta McClelland seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned after a motion by Lorey North and a second by Jean Stamp. Rev. Rodgers had been asked to return and closed with prayer.

Respectively submitted,

Debbie Young

Clerk of Session

Rev. Adam Rodgers

Moderator

Stoneboro Presbyterian Church
2017 Report of the Clerk of Session

We began 2017 with 100 members

We received by:

Adult Profession of Faith	0
Confirmation/Profession of Faith	0

We dismissed by:

Transfer of Membership

Moved to Inactive Status: 0

In Memoriam 2017 0

Active Total Membership 100 (at the end of 2017)

Organizational Chart 2017

Session

2018	2019	2020
Mrs. Debbie Young	Mr. Chris Giebner	Mr. Jacob Bennefield
Mr. Rich McComb	Mrs. Cindy Philson	(vacant)

Deacons

2018	2019	2020
Ms. Connie Covington	Mrs. Lindsay Rodgers	Mrs. Jamey Klonowski
Mrs. Bev Voorhees	Mrs. Michele Reiser	Ms. Sherry Ibbs

Treasurer

Mrs. Roberta McClelland

Financial Secretary

Mrs. Debbie McComb

2018 Nominating Team

Includes outgoing elders, deacons, and up to three active church members nominated at the January 28 congregational meeting:

Ruling Elders:

1. Debbie Young
2. Richard McComb

Deacons:

1. Connie Covington
2. Bev Voorhees

Church Members-at-Large:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Tentative Schedule for Nominating Team

- Nomination forms in bulletins beginning Sunday, January 28th.
- First meeting is Sunday, February 11th after worship. The months of February and March will be used for spiritual discernment and to nominate Ruling Elders and Deacons.
- Congregational meeting on Sunday, March 25 to elect church officers.
- Newly elected church officers will attend officer training in the month of April.
- Newly elected church officers will attend the Tuesday, May 8, 6PM session meeting to be examined and approved as ready for ordination/installation.
- Ordination/Installation of church officers on Sunday, May 20th during the Lord's Day worship service (Pentecost Sunday).
 - a. The service will conclude the work of the 2018 Nominating Team.

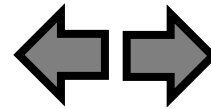
2017-2018 Ministry Structure & Goals:

“The Love of Christ Compels Us...”



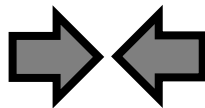
UP (Worship)

- Enhance active participation and creativity in our Lord’s Day worship services using the gifts of our brothers and sisters in Christ.
- Increase the average worship attendance by inviting and welcoming believers, doubters, sinners, and saints and telling them about the love of Jesus Christ.



OUT (Mission)

- Improve the focus of our local, regional, and global mission support.
- Strengthen the church’s visibility & presence at community events.



IN (Transformation)

- Create and implement a Christian discipleship plan the entire congregation can easily follow and participate in.
- Publicly share stories of how the love of Jesus Christ has transformed our lives, and invite other people to share their stories.



TOGETHER (Fellowship)

- Increase commitment to sharing one another’s burdens as acts of brotherly and sisterly love.
- Increase commitment to sharing our time, talents, and financial resources for the building up of the body of Christ.

May the love of Christ compel YOU to join us as we live out this vision and plan for our church!

Pastor's Report 2017—Rev. Adam Rodgers

At the beginning of 2017, the Session of Stoneboro Presbyterian Church cast forth a vision—a new rallying cry—for the church on the corner of Linden and Franklin Streets:

“The love of Christ compels us...and we no longer live for ourselves but for Christ who died to give us life.” (2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

It was a big, bold vision that included some tangible ministry ideas and goals. (Note: Refer to the previous page to see some of those goals.)

For the next twelve months, the Session worked hard to implement the church's vision, offering up good and creative ideas for ministry and inviting church members to grab hold of the church's vision in their own lives. The Session's hope and prayer was to see their brothers and sisters of Stoneboro Presbyterian Church renew their commitment to Jesus and to his church.

Because of their good leadership, has God opened up the heavens, brought a wave of revival to Stoneboro, and filled all the pews on Sunday mornings? No. I guess that was not God's plan. Should we be discouraged? Also, no. Throughout the previous twelve months, God has given me the eyes to see moments of grace that have sprouted throughout the year; little moments of grace that have sustained and encouraged me like manna in the wilderness.

What kind of moments? Here's a sampling...

- When I hear the stories of Deacons faithfully providing pastoral care to church members through visits, phone calls, and cards.
- The looks on the faces of our students when they walk into the sanctuary knowing they're in a safe and loving place.
- When a church member shares a spiritual gift I didn't know she had.
- When I'm all out of ideas, and a Session member comes up with a great idea.
- When the best sermon given on a Sunday morning didn't come from me but rather from a Ruling Elder who spoke from the heart.
- When the Sunday school class never gets to the morning lesson plan, because they're too busy sharing their lives and stories together.
- When that church member takes their seat in the pew week after week, and I know it takes all their physical and emotional strength to come to church. Still, they come.
- When I receive an email from a stranger who was blessed a ministry of our church and felt compelled to write and say thanks.

It's easy to look at this church with a critical, pessimistic eye...especially given the challenges that exist for this small congregation. But let us, for a moment, give thanks for the little moments of grace we've all experienced this past year. Let them, for a moment, be enough to keep us going into the future.

I don't know what the future holds for this church any more than you do, but let us cling to the love of Christ in 2018. Let us not be afraid. May Jesus' love compel us forward, whatever happens.

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2017 Year in Review – page 1

Beginning 2017 Church Membership: 100

Baptisms

Weddings

Brandon Montozzi & Emily Hawke (July 1, 2017)

Deaths & Funerals

Sam Wilson (d. 4/19/17)

Steve Hartman (d. 4/20/17)

Harvey Firster (d. 4/23/17)

Ending 2017 Church Membership: 100

The Lord's Day Worship (Sunday Morning) Overview

- Average Weekly Attendance: Jan-April: 40 May-Aug: 35 Sept-Dec: 40
 - Younger Student's Christian Education Weekly Attendance: 5-10 students
 - Older Students & Adults Christian Education Weekly Attendance: 5-10 students & adults
 - Guest Worship Leader/Preachers – John Creekpau
 - Organist/Pianists – Richard Croskey, Lindsay Rodgers, & Jane Buckley
 - The Celebration of Holy Communion Observed: 10 times.
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Notable Church Events Month-by-Month in 2017

January

- In partnership with the Stoneboro Garden Club, the church continued making & selling homemade cake donuts. Donuts were made every first Thursday of the month.
- Rev. Adam Rodgers and Session members participated in Shenango Presbytery's "Leaderfest" event for church officers at Westminster College.
- Lakeview Meals on Wheels continues to use the church kitchen throughout the year.
- Congregation participated in the liturgy of the Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant on Baptism of the Lord Sunday.
- The annual Congregational Luncheon and sharing of the Annual Report
- Rev. Rodgers continued teaching/leading a mid-week Bible study.
- The Deacons continued their ongoing ministry of providing pastoral care to shut-ins through visits, phone calls, and cards.

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February

- A work crew from the Mercer Regional Correctional Facility painted the church's social hall and women's restroom, and cleaned all the woodwork in the church.
- Rev. Rodgers attends stated meeting of Shenango Presbytery at Westminster College.
- The Session unveiled their new vision for the congregation: "The Love of Christ Compels Us."

March

- Church & community members begin attending the weekly Lenten luncheons hosted by local churches and organized by the Lakeview Ministerium. Free-will offering benefits Lakeview Area Helping Hands.
- Rev. Adam Rodgers had an article published in *The Herald*.
- Congregational meeting held to elect church officers.

April

- Rev. Rodgers attends stated meeting of Shenango Presbytery.
- Worshipped jointly with Sandy Lake Presby. Church in observance of Good Friday
- Holy Week was observed (April 9-16)
- Men of the church attend a community prayer breakfast the Saturday morning before Easter at the Lakeview High School.
- Deacons prepared Easter baskets to be delivered to shut-ins.

May

- Ruling Elders and Deacons are ordained & installed into their respective ordered ministries, Pentecost Sunday.
- The Session organized and hosted a Community Forum on Substance Abuse in the church sanctuary.
- Rev. Rodgers assisted graduating Lakeview High School students with the Baccalaureate service.

June--August

- Lord's Day worship services are moved to 10AM for the summer. All Sunday morning Christian Education classes begin their summer break.
- Church participated in the Stoneboro Sesquicentennial Weekend: (1) Parade hospitality, and (2) and Community worship service in the park
- Rev. Rodgers attends stated meeting of Shenango Presbytery.
- Participate in Community Prayer Walks for the Lakeview School District and the Stoneboro Fair.
- Rev. Adam Rodgers had an article published in *The Herald*.

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September

- Student & Adult Christian Education resumes.
- Lord's Day worship services resumes, which included a Blessing of the Backpacks" liturgy for children/teachers beginning the new school year.
- The Lakeview Area Backpack Program begins its 4th year of ministry to food-insecure students in the Lakeview School District's elementary and middle schools.
- Rev. Rodgers attended stated meeting of Shenango Presbytery.

October

- Deacons provided hospitality for children and their families during Stoneboro community's Trick-or-Treating.
- Deacons begin a new ministry called "Loads of Love." This is a servant ministry of evangelism, providing bags of quarters and encouragement to random people at local laundromats.
- Observed World Communion Sunday & All Saints' Sunday.

November

- Reverend Rodgers attended stated meeting of Shenango Presbytery.
- Participated in a Community Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the Lakeview Ministerium.
- Church members decorated the sanctuary for Advent/Christmas.

December

- Annual Christmas dinner for church family.
- Special Christmas Children's Play performed during a Lord's Day worship service.
- Participated in a community Blue Christmas worship service at the McQuiston Center.
- Under the leadership of the Deacons, Christmas cards were signed by church members and mailed to shut-ins/nursing home members.
- A congregational meeting was held to vote on Rev. Adam Rodgers' 2018 Terms of Call.
- A Christmas Eve Candlelight worship service was held. Harpist Lisa Pesavento provided special music prior to the service.

2017 Report on Church Investments

Mutual Funds

Beginning balance January 1, 2017	\$126,351.91
Funds withdrawn to pay current expenses	-34,100.00
Value gained in 2017	+20,423.36
Ending value December 31, 2017	\$112,675.27

Certificate of Deposit at Mercer Co. State Bank \$100,000.00
(Rate 1.29%; Maturity date 3/13/19)

Mercer Co. State Bancorp stock, 220 shares (approx. value) \$8800.00

Ruling Elder Rich McComb
Stewardship (Finance) chairperson

Stoneboro Presbyterian Church
2017 Financial Report
Submitted by Roberta McClelland, church treasurer

Giving/Offerings

General	\$45,246.00
Basket	13,025.86
Per Capita	147.86
Initial Offering	20.00
Meals on Wheels	1,200.00
Donations	600.00
Use of Church	165.00
<u>Furnace Project</u>	<u>1,400.00</u>
	\$61,804.72

Interest Income 1,382.26

Money Transfers 43,000.00

Total Income \$106,186.98

Checking Account

Beginning Balance	\$-79.15
Income/Transfers	106,186.98
Expenses	105,038.39
Ending Balance	1,069.44

Hi-Fi Account Balance \$7,497.85

Disbursements

Per Capita	\$3,748.16
Flowers	35.00
<u>Shurfine</u>	<u>56.53</u>
	3,839.69

Worship

Music	\$1,850.00
Gift cards	60.00
<u>Guest speaker</u>	<u>100.00</u>
	2,010.00

Church Office

Supplies	\$454.21
PO Box Rental	116.00
<u>Copier</u>	<u>1,094.67</u>
	1,664.88

Pastor

Salary	\$36,530.70
Housing	12,000.00
SSR	4,098.75
Annuity	949.00
Pension	18,060.00
Mileage Reimb.	1,228.00
Cont. Ed.	997.98
Banners	181.96
Christian Ed.	150.00
<u>Prof. Reimb.</u>	<u>1,326.47</u>
	75,672.41

Church Building/Maintenance

Custodian	\$2,820.00
Utilities	6,045.10
Insurance	3,919.75
Snow Removal	240.00
Lock Box	20.00
Dept. Labor	108.00
Furnace	225.88
Piano	100.00
Organ	235.00
Fire Ext.	270.22
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>317.46</u>
	16,568.54

Total Expenses \$105,038.39

**2018 Budget
Stoneboro Presbyterian Church**

(First reading by Session: November 14, 2017; Approved by Session: December 10, 2017)

WORSHIP

Musicians	\$1,300.00
Pulpit-Supply	\$ 500.00
<u>Music/Liturgy</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
	\$2,300.00

EDUCATION

Materials & Supplies	\$2,000.00
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CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Fellowship events	\$ 500.00
<u>Deacon budget</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
	\$1,000.00

OUTREACH & MISSION

Mission partners	\$(in & out)
Per Capita (\$38.09/member)	\$3,694.73

STEWARDSHIP—BUILDING & GROUNDS

Office supplies	\$1,200.00
Website maintenance	\$ 100.00
Copier Lease	\$1,600.00
Building maintenance	\$ 5,000.00
Cleaning service	\$ 3,120.00
Utilities	\$12,000.00
Lawn Care	\$ 1,200.00
Winter Care	\$ 500.00
<u>Insurance</u>	<u>\$ 3,500.00</u>
	\$28,220.00

STEWARDSHIP—PERSONNEL

<u>Pastor's Terms of Call*</u>	
Salary	\$37,257.95
Annuity	\$ 964.25
Soc. Sec. Reimb.	\$ 4,160.25
Housing	\$12,000.00
Prof. Reimbursement	\$ 3,000.00
Continuing Education	\$ 750.00
<u>Health Ins./Pension Dues</u>	<u>\$18,582.22</u>
Total Cost to Congregation	\$76,714.67

<u>BUDGET 2018</u>	
WORSHIP	\$ 2,300.00
EDUCATION	\$ 2,000.00
CONGREGATIONAL CARE	\$ 1,000.00
OUTREACH & MISSION	\$ 3,694.73
STEWARDSHIP—B & G	\$ 28,220.00
<u>STEWARDSHIP—PERSONNEL</u>	<u>\$ 76,714.67</u>
TOTAL	\$113,929.40

* This portion of the 2018 budget was approved at a congregational meeting, December 10, 2017.