



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

# **2013**

**ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C.**

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## PASTOR'S REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION

What an amazing nine months it has been! I am deeply honored and humbled that Hill Church has called me as your new pastor and even more humbled at how much you have all welcomed and accepted me and my family into the family of Hill Church.

Over the last nine months we have certainly seen and shared many wonderful activities with one another. Who can forget the whole crew of Kingdom Rock Vacation Bible School!?! It certainly was an awesome week filled with fun and surprises all around. And I might add, what an introduction for a new pastor to see so many young faces gracing the halls of this wonderful, historic church. And who can forget all the great suppers? We certainly know how to cook around here, don't we?

Aside from our great fun activities, we have had some losses as well. From the loss of three of our beloved members to those who have moved on to new spiritual homes. We have definitely seen some loss over this past year. What amazes me though, is how we as a family rally behind and support one another through all of life's challenges. We certainly take Christ's example to heart and show His love to all those we encounter.

This coming year looks to be just as exciting with our new VBS program in June, all three suppers to look forward to, as well as our traditional concerts and activities. However, as we look toward the future, we might want to expect some things to be a little different for it is through the changes in life that we can all grow and mature in our faith. There are some new and exciting activities that we can look forward to, like a comedy night, a wild game supper, just to mention a couple. As we move toward the future together, let us continue to stand beside each other and face the future with a smile and a bit of anticipation in what God has in store for Hill Church. I know I am excited about the possibilities that exist!

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Christian Creyer

## HILL CHURCH REGISTER

2013

The following have been entered into the Hill Church Register during 2013. Please note that this does not include all statistics for Hill Church members, but only those entered in the church register. For instance, under "Weddings," this does not include all Hill Church members who were married in 2013 ...but only those in which St. John-Hill Church was involved through the ministry of our pastor. Under "Funerals," this does not include all Hill Church members who have died in 2013, or all the people buried in the cemetery, or even all the funerals held in the Hill Church sanctuary...but only those in which St. John-Hill Church was involved through the ministry of our pastor.

### Baptisms:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Born</i>	<i>Baptized</i>
Joseph John Dolansky III	January 19, 2013	May 19, 2013
Jacob Matthew Weller	December 13, 2012	July 14, 2013
Bennett Allen Wawrzonek	August 10, 2013	December 29, 2013

### Weddings:

Brandan Lee Wagner to Keri Lynn Houp	August 3, 2013
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### Funerals:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Died</i>	<i>Funeral</i>
Regina M. Moyer	February 21, 2013	February 26, 2013
Harold H. Miller	March 20, 2013	March 25, 2013
Anna Mae Weller	August 3, 2013	August 9, 2013
Maria Foisel (non-member)	November 20, 2013	November 25, 2013

### New Members Admitted into Membership:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Date admitted in membership</i>	<i>How admitted</i>
Kira Weller	October 6, 2013	profession of faith
Megyn Stauffer	October 6, 2013	transfer of membership
Stephanie Creyer	October 6, 2013	transfer of membership

## CONSISTORY 2013 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION

The Consistory of St. John - Hill UCC would like to thank God for His guidance and blessings during the past year at Hill Church, and also thank the members of our church family for your support and trust as we continue to serve God together here at Hill Church. The Consistory has endeavored to serve you responsibly, efficiently, and faithfully; it has always been our guide to trust the Lord to direct our actions. The following is a brief recap of the actions and activities of the Consistory for 2013.

The Consistory members during 2013 were: Susy Yerger (President), Joel Weller (Vice President), Dottie Fronheiser (Assistant Treasurer), LeRoy Fetterman (Secretary), Jan Fisher, Jan Bayer, Stephanie Benjamin, Donny Conrad, Mark Hile, Michelle Schittler, Rachael Schittler and Terry Shane. Pastor Christian Creyer and Wendy Shane who is an employee serving as St. John - Hill UCC's Treasurer.

Leaving the Consistory this year are Jan Fisher, Michelle Schittler, Rachael Schittler and Joel Weller. We thank them for their leadership and service. The new Consistory members for 2014 are Rick Furches, Ray Kochey, Clarence Weller and Matthew Weller. Terry Shane's first term ended, but has agreed to remain on for a three-year term. We look forward to them serving St. John - Hill UCC, while serving our Lord.

We rely heavily on the work of the various committees and members of the church and wish to thank them for their support in carrying out the ministry of God's work here at Hill Church. The Consistory would like to say **"Thank You"** to everyone who has contributed to our growth this year, both openly and quietly behind the scenes, without your hard work, prayers, and trust in the Lord, none of this would have been possible. We offer special thanks again this year to Grace Groff, Geneva Kolb, and Martha Snyder who weekly attend to the altar preparations; and our Trustees, Mark Hile, Bill Moyer, and Terry Shane who quietly tend to the care and control of the property of the congregation.

### **NOTABLE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS OF 2013**

- Hiring our current Pastor, Pastor Christian Creyer in May 2013
- Another exciting Vacation Bible School Program
- Mission Trip to Crisfield, Maryland
- Coed Bible Studies: Attitude and Twelve Ordinary Men
- Costume Halloween Party at the Shakespeare's
- Many more listed under the various committees' reports.

This has been a busy year, filled with many new activities which have been a source of growth and blessings to many. Please join us for more of these in 2014.

### **Focus for 2014**

As a priority for 2014 the Consistory would like to get a better idea of the dreams and visions the Congregation has for Hill Church, now and in the future, to allow us to plan and move forward to help keep Hill Church growing in the right directions.

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As in 2013 we will continue to focus on the following areas this year:

- Continue to pursue the most effective structure for the organization of Hill Church.
- Continue to strive to improve the financial condition and stewardship of Hill Church.
- Pursue new avenues of mission outreach in our local community and elsewhere.
- Pursue new activities to promote the spiritual growth and fellowship of our members.
- Pursue an effective visitation program to reach out to our fellow members whom we have not seen in a while, encourage our active members in their individual spiritual journeys, and reach out to others in our community in need of a helping hand or a new church home.
- Pursue improvement projects needed to maintain the structure and beauty of our Church buildings, especially transforming our Sexton's House into an apartment as a rental income to our contracted Sexton.
- Pursue the restoration and repair of the church steeple.

The Consistory plans, along with the general monthly review, to continue to thoroughly review our expenses vs. income on a quarterly basis this year. As we move through 2014 we ask you to continue to pray for guidance in your giving and ask God to lead us all in our financial decisions.

**This chart is for comparison only. For exact comparisons refer to the financial reports**

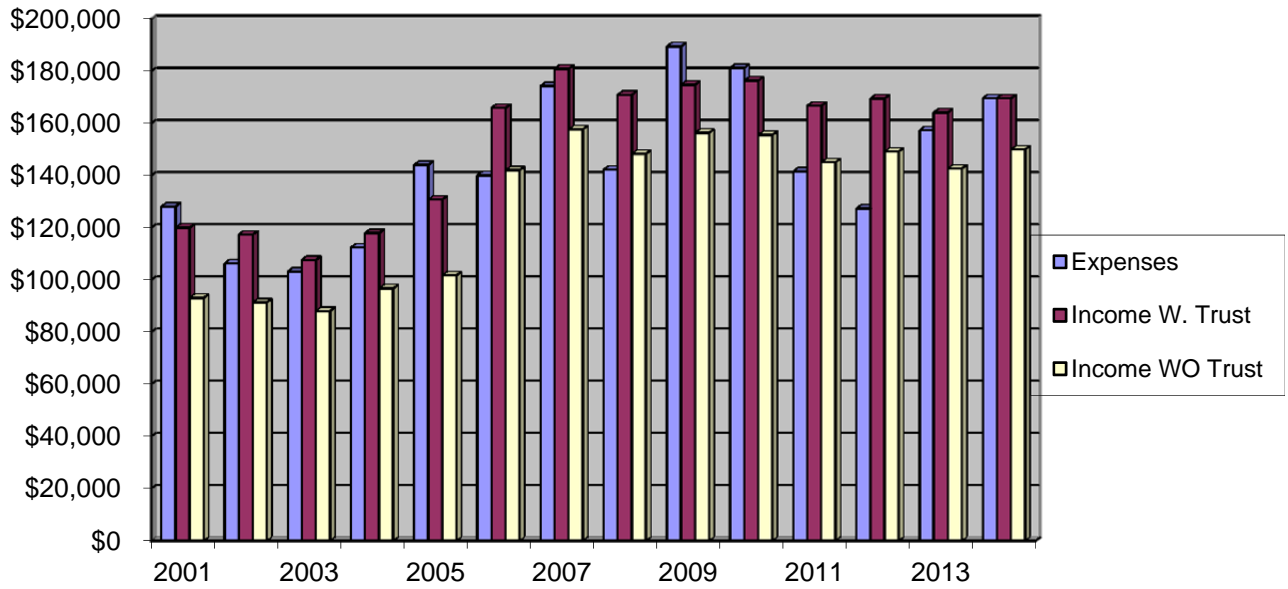
**Annual Giving & Expense  
Summary +/- Trust Funds**

1 Year	2 Annual Income	3 Annual Trust Fund Income	4 ( = 2 - 3 ) Annual Income without Trust Funds	5 Annual Expenses	6 ( = 4 - 5 ) Net Income/(Loss) without Trust Funds	7 ( = 2 - 5 ) Net Income/(Loss) with Trust Funds
2001	\$120,105	\$26,928	\$93,177	\$128,153	(\$34,976)	(\$8,048)
2002	\$117,398	\$25,983	\$91,415	\$106,378	(\$14,963)	\$11,020
2003	\$107,698	\$19,597	\$88,101	\$103,238	(\$15,137)	\$4,460
2004	\$117,978	\$21,181	\$96,797	\$112,468	(\$15,671)	\$5,510
2005	\$130,852	\$29,061	\$101,791	\$144,107	(\$42,316)	(\$13,255)
2006	\$165,949	\$23,879	\$142,070	\$140,139	\$1,931	\$25,810
2007	\$180,940	\$23,206	\$157,734	\$174,322	(\$16,588)	\$6,618
2008	\$170,974	\$22,641	\$148,333	\$142,300	\$6,033	\$28,674
2009	\$174,853	\$18,410	\$156,443	\$189,521	(\$33,078)	(\$14,668)
2010	\$176,458	\$20,887	\$155,571	\$181,278	(\$25,707)	(\$4,820)
2011	\$166,787	\$21,647	\$145,140	\$141,623	\$3,517	\$25,164
2012	\$169,459	\$20,234	\$149,225	\$127,379	\$21,846	\$42,080
2013	\$164,199	\$21,493	\$142,706	\$157,381	(\$14,675)	\$6,818

- 2007 Includes New Electric Service Donations of \$16,145.
- 2009 Includes approximately \$20,000 for Roof repair (Insurance payment pass through).
- 2009 Includes approximately \$12,000 oil cost that would have been in 2008 if we pre-paid
- 2011 Expenses would have been \$29,600 more if we paid a full time Pastor as budgeted for a full year.
- 2012 Expenses would have been \$52,900 more if we paid a full time Pastor as budgeted for a full year

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Note: 2014 is Budget estimates including full time pastor salary and expenses



We are pleased to serve on your consistory and we are very excited to see what God has in store for Hill Church in 2014. Please keep the Consistory and our entire church family in your prayers throughout 2014.

Respectfully submitted,  
In Christ,  
Your Consistory

# ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • DETAILED FUND ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 2013

Account #
Account Name
YTD Activity

**300.000 General Operating Fund Balance**

**Beginning Fund Balance**

**Beginning Fund Balance 1.00**

*Income*

400.000	Current	108,932.64
406.000	Plate	10,004.51
430.000	Bulletins	770.00
445.000	Maintenance	19,335.67
445.002	General Fund CD's Interest Inc	161.44
445.003	Saving Account Interest Income	203.30

**Operating Income 139,407.56**

454.001	Altar Flowers	1,095.00
454.002	Easter Flowers	91.00
454.003	Memorial Day Geraniums	88.50
454.004	Poinsettia	209.50
454.006	Initial Offering	455.00
454.007	Summer Concert Income	210.00

**Pass-through Income 2,149.00**

480.000	Sunday School Reimbursement	1,074.91
481.000	Park Committee Reimbursement	74.91

**Committee Reimbursements 1,149.82**

**Total Income \$142,706.38**

*Expenses*

500.000	Pastor Salary	36,649.26
500.010	Parsonage offset	745.73
501.000	FICA reimbursement	3,733.09
502.000	Pension	9,206.95
504.000	Health/Dental Insurance	1,317.50

**Pastor Salary Package 51,652.53**

506.000	Mileage Reimbursement	3,146.62
507.002	Professional Expenses	161.80

**Paster Expenses 3,308.42**

509.001	Parsonage Heat	5,048.14
509.002	Parsonage Maintenance/Up Keep	1,506.93
509.003	Parsonage Electric	898.64
509.004	Parsonage Taxes	4,492.86

**Parsonage Expenses 11,946.57**



## ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • DETAILED FUND ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 2013

Account #	Account Name	YTD Activity
513.000	Organist Salary	11,158.08
516.000	Organist Supplies	652.89
518.000	Supply Organist	225.00
	<b>Organist Expenses</b>	<b>12,035.97</b>
520.000	Secretary Salary	11,902.08
	<b>Secretary Expenses</b>	<b>11,902.08</b>
524.000	Sexton Salary	6,966.96
526.000	Sexton Electric	394.14
530.000	Sexton Supplies	25.98
	<b>Sexton Expenses</b>	<b>7,387.08</b>
534.500	Treasurer Salary	1,882.08
	<b>Treasurer Expenses</b>	<b>1,882.08</b>
535.000	FICA Expense(CHurch portion)	2,562.41
535.500	Employee Christmas gifts	995.92
536.000	Advertising Expense	686.07
538.000	Subsitute Pastor	125.00
539.000	Church Telephone	754.02
540.000	Church Heat	9,167.20
540.010	Church Office Heat	3,634.22
542.000	Church Maintenance	1,783.60
544.000	Church Electric	2,105.24
546.000	Church / Office Supplies	2,195.70
548.000	Church Taxes	6,482.55
549.000	Dues & Subscriptions	492.00
551.000	Sanitation Service	230.00
552.000	Office Supplies	164.77
553.000	Exterminator Service	911.58
554.000	Postage	878.89
558.000	Service Contracts	2,777.08
560.000	UCC Insurance	17,300.00
562.000	License/Permits/Inspections	1,093.00
563.000	Contribution Envelopes	574.26
	<b>Church Expenses</b>	<b>54,913.51</b>
583.000	Flowers: Altar, Holiday ,etc	1,198.85
584.000	Donations	125.00
	<b>Pass-Through Expenses</b>	<b>1,323.85</b>
566.000	Pastor Relocation/Moving Exp	1,029.36
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$157,381.45</u></b>
	<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>(\$14,674.07)</b>

# ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • DETAILED FUND ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 2013

Account #	Account Name	YTD Activity
<b>310.000 Benevolence Fund Balance</b>		
	<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>3,569.02</b>
<i>Income</i>		
450.000	Benevolence	4,082.00
	<b>Benevolence</b>	<b>4,082.00</b>
450.007	Neighbors in need	333.00
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>\$4,415.00</u></b>
<i>Expenses</i>		
581.000	PA SE Conf/ OCWM	4,229.00
	<b>Benevolence</b>	<b>4,229.00</b>
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$4,229.00</u></b>
	<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$3,755.02</b>
<b>312.000 Communion/Benevolence Fund Balance</b>		
	<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>3,798.08</b>
<i>Income</i>		
450.005	Communion/Benevolence	2,153.00
	<b>Benevolence</b>	<b>2,153.00</b>
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>\$2,153.00</u></b>
<i>Expenses</i>		
583.500	Communion Offering dispersemen	215.00
	<b>Pass-Through Expenses</b>	<b>215.00</b>
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$215.00</u></b>
	<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$5,736.08</b>
<b>315.000 Trust Funds</b>		
	<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>132,635.33</b>
<i>Income</i>		
476.001	Barto Trust Fund	3,780.14
476.002	Rohrbach Trust Fund	17,713.24
	<b>Trust Fund Income</b>	<b>21,493.38</b>
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>\$21,493.38</u></b>
	<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$154,128.71</b>

# ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • DETAILED FUND ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 2013

Account #
Account Name
YTD Activity

**320.000 Memorial Fund Balance**

**Beginning Fund Balance** **12,144.85**

*Income*

447.000 Memorial Fund Donations 670.00

447.001 Memorial Fund Interest Income 4.89

**Benevolence** **674.89**

**Total Income** **\$674.89**

*Expenses*

585.007 Cemetery Lighting (memorial fund) 671.63

**Total Expenses** **\$671.63**

**Ending Fund Balance** **\$12,148.11**

**330.000 Steeple Fund**

**Beginning Fund Balance** **11,549.53**

*Income*

445.005 Steeple Fund Donations 2,516.33

**Benevolence** **2,516.33**

**Total Income** **\$2,516.33**

**Ending Fund Balance** **\$14,065.86**

**384.000 Carillon Fund**

**Beginning Fund Balance** **5,160.74**

*Income*

452.000 Carillon Donations 500.00

452.001 Carillon CD Interest Income 6.08

**Total Income** **\$506.08**

**Ending Fund Balance** **\$5,666.82**

**385.000 Fire Alarm Fund**

**Beginning Fund Balance** **6,285.00**

**Ending Fund Balance** **\$6,285.00**

# ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • DETAILED FUND ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 2013

Account #      Account Name      YTD Activity

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## 386.000 Church Air Conditioner Fund

		<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>8,970.00</b>
<i>Income</i>			
449.000	Church A/C Fund Donations		2,140.00
		<b>Benevolence</b>	<b>2,140.00</b>
		<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>\$2,140.00</u></b>
		<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$11,110.00</b>

## 387.000 Mission Outreach Fund

		<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>9,733.20</b>
<i>Income</i>			
454.008	Mission Outreach Team		35,293.25
		<b>Pass-through Income</b>	<b>35,293.25</b>
		<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>\$35,293.25</u></b>
<i>Expenses</i>			
585.005	Missions Outreach Team Expense		34,811.99
		<b>Pass-Through Expenses</b>	<b>34,811.99</b>
		<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$34,811.99</u></b>
		<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$10,214.46</b>



**ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • 2014 BUDGET PROJECTION**

**GENERAL FUND**

<i>Income</i>	Oct-Dec 2012	Jan-Sept 2013	Total Oct '12 thru Sept '13	Budget 2013	Proposed 2014 Budget	% of total
Current	42,160.99	76,092.25	118,253.24	120,000	120,000	
Plate	2,713.75	7,896.51	10,610.26	20,000	12,000	
<b><i>Transfer from Trust Fund</i></b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>22,345</b>	<b>19,619</b>	
Bulletins	255.00	585.00	840	780	780	
Cemetery Rent	1.00		1	1	1	
Cemetery Insurance	150.00		150	150	150	
General Fund CD Interest	0.00	161.44	161.44	500	250	
Money Market Interest	33.78	150.62	184.4	100	200	
Maintenance	2,661.00	9,725.67	12,386.67	13,000	13,000	
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>47,975.52</b>	<b>94,611.49</b>	<b>142,587.01</b>	<b>176,876</b>	<b>166,000</b>	<b>97.85%</b>
Flowers - (Alter,holiday,etc)	402.95	1,004.50	1,407.45	1,740	1,740	
Initial Offering	5.00	370.00	375	400	400	
Missions Outreach Team	0.00		0		0	
Spiritual Life Team	0.00		0		0	
Summer Concert Income	0.00	210.00	210	1,000	500	
<b>Pass-through Income</b>	<b>407.95</b>	<b>1,584.50</b>	<b>1,992.45</b>	<b>3,140</b>	<b>2,640</b>	<b>1.56%</b>
Sunday School Reim	0.00	74.91	74.91	1,000	1,000	
Park Committee Reim	0.00	74.91	74.91			
Women's Guild Reim	0.00	0.00	0			
Youth Group Reim	0.00		0			
<b>Committee Reimbursements</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>149.82</b>	<b>149.82</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0.59%</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>48,383.47</b>	<b>96,345.81</b>	<b>144,729.28</b>	<b>181,016</b>	<b>169,640</b>	

**ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • 2014 BUDGET PROJECTION (CONTINUED)**

**GENERAL FUND**

<i>Expenses</i>	Oct-Dec 2012	Jan-Sept 2013	Total Oct '12 thru Sept '13	Budget 2013	Proposed 2014 Budget	% of total
Pastor Salary	4,474.38	25,899.24	30373.62	36,897	43,645	
Parsonage Offset	4,474.38	745.73	5220.11	6,000	0	
FICA Reimbursement	741.24	2,664.07	3405.31	3,578	4,276	
Pension	0.00	1,773.33	1773.33	7,668	7,826	
Health/Dental Insurance	0.00	807.50	807.5	16,000	2,040	
<b>Pastor Salary Package</b>	<b>9,690.00</b>	<b>31,889.87</b>	<b>41,579.87</b>	<b>70,143</b>	<b>57,787</b>	<b>34.06%</b>
Parsonage Expenses	0.00	1,483.67	1483.67	0	1,500	
Parsonage Heat	931.93	5,048.14	5980.07	2,700	3,500	
Parsonage electric	114.09	257.14	371.23	1,200	1,200	
Parsonage Taxes	0.00	4,492.86	4492.86	4,400	4,400	
Parsonage Telephone	0.00	0.00	0	650	0	
<b>Parsonage Expenses</b>	<b>1,046.02</b>	<b>11,281.81</b>	<b>12,327.83</b>	<b>8,950</b>	<b>10,600</b>	<b>6.25%</b>
Organist Salary	2,748.24	8,368.56	11116.8	11,158	11,325	
Organist Supplies	445.33	269.25	714.58	550	550	
Supply Organist	0.00	225.00	225	225	225	
<b>Organist Expenses</b>	<b>3,193.57</b>	<b>8,862.81</b>	<b>12,056.38</b>	<b>11,933</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>7.13%</b>
Secretary Salary	2,923.84	8,926.56	11850.4	11,902	12,081	
Substitute Secretary	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	
<b>Secretary Expenses</b>	<b>2,923.84</b>	<b>8,926.56</b>	<b>11,850.40</b>	<b>11,902</b>	<b>12,081</b>	<b>7.12%</b>
Sexton Salary	1,716.00	5,225.22	6941.22	6,967	7,072	
Sexton Electric	248.98	283.64	532.62	300	500	
Sexton Supplies	34.99	0.00	34.99	100	100	
Snow Removal	0.00	0.00	0	500	500	
<b>Sexton Expenses</b>	<b>1,999.97</b>	<b>5,508.86</b>	<b>7,508.83</b>	<b>7,867</b>	<b>8,172</b>	<b>4.82%</b>
Treasurer Salary	463.50	1,411.56	1875.06	1,882	1,910	
<b>Treasurer Expenses</b>	<b>463.50</b>	<b>1,411.56</b>	<b>1,875.06</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>1,910</b>	<b>1.13%</b>

**ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C. • 2014 BUDGET PROJECTION (CONTINUED)**

**GENERAL FUND**

<i>Expenses (continued)</i>	Oct-Dec 2012	Jan-Sept 2013	Total Oct '12 thru Sept '13	Budget 2013	Proposed 2014 Budget	% of total
FICA Expense (Church Portion)	600.65	1,952.09	2552.74	2,650	2,650	
Advertising Expenses	52.11	450.60	502.71	1,000	1,000	
Mileage Reim-Pastor	0.00	2,863.78	2863.78	5,000	4,000	
Professional Exp-Pastor	40.00	161.80	201.8	2,000	700	
Substitute Pastor	125.00	0.00	125	250	375	
Church Telephone	152.42	590.72	743.14	550	600	
Church Heat	316.87	9,067.85	9384.72	9,500	9,500	
Church Maintenance	5,540.50	1,083.89	6624.39	5,000	6,500	
Office Heat	813.04	3,634.22	4447.26	1,500	2,200	
Church Electric	547.12	1,550.73	2097.85	2,500	2,100	
Church / Office Supplies	501.63	1,751.85	2253.48	2,500	2,500	
Pastor Relocation/Moving Exp		1,029.36		2,000	0	
Church Taxes	0.00	6,482.55	6482.55	6,400	6,400	
Dues & Subscriptions	179.82	393.45	573.27	840	600	
Sanitation Service	69.00	207.00	276	300	300	
Exterminator Service	97.01	811.58	908.59	400	600	
Postage	235.00	678.89	913.89	1,000	1,000	
Group/Edu Study Expenses	0.00	0.00	0	500	500	
Service Contracts	850.00	2,406.30	3256.3	1,000	1,500	
Donations	0.00	125.00	125	25	125	
UCC Insurance	4,021.00	12,948.00	16969	16,084	17,000	
License/Permits/Inspections	36.00	1,093.00	1129	1,000	1,000	
Contribution Envelopes	0.00	574.26	574.26	600	600	
Sound System	8,068.94	0.00	8068.94	0	0	
Staff Christmas Gifts	995.92	0.00	995.92	1,000	1,000	
<b>Church Expenses</b>	<b>23,242.03</b>	<b>49,856.92</b>	<b>72,069.59</b>	<b>63,599</b>	<b>62,750</b>	<b>36.99%</b>
Flowers: Altar, holiday, etc	470.75	890.10	1360.85	1,740	1,740	
Summer Concert Performances	0.00	0.00	0	1,000	500	
<b>Pass-Through Expenses</b>	<b>470.75</b>	<b>890.10</b>	<b>1,360.85</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>2,240</b>	<b>1.32%</b>
Youth Group Support	0.00		0	1,000	1,000	
PRC / Spiritual Life Team	0.00	0.00	0	500	500	
Missions Outreach Team	0.00	0.00	0	500	500	
<b>Miscellaneous Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1.18%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>43,029.68</b>	<b>118,628.49</b>	<b>160,628.81</b>	<b>181,016</b>	<b>169,640</b>	
<b>Difference</b>	<b>5,353.79</b>	<b>(22,282.68)</b>	<b>(15,899.53)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

End of 2012 we transferred \$21845.61 from General Fund to Trust Fund Income (total net income in General fund in 2012)



## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2013

The Finance Committee has the task of assisting the consistory in monitoring the financial health of the congregation. Members typically have an understanding of business concepts, banking, insurance or a combination thereof.

The Finance Committee is currently responsible for many financial aspects of the church, which include:

- Monitoring and reviewing the performance and investments of the two trust funds that were established for the benefit of the church.
- Assist the consistory in investing decisions.
- Reviewing Insurance policy coverage.
- Attempting to qualify for grounds real estate tax exempt status where available.
- The Committee assisted in preparing the annual church budget.
- The Committee meets as needed and makes recommendations to the Consistory as necessary.

There has been concern about the performance of the trust funds and, after thorough research we have found them to be on average with the market. We have enclosed reports on each to clarify how they have performed. The revenue is listed in the annual budget.

Below we included a history and the progress of the funds of the two trust funds. The amounts shown are after yearly distributions to each church are taken out. Churches involved include: St. John-Hill UCC, New Goshenhoppen Church and Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Respectfully Submitted,

Finance Committee

## Barto Trust

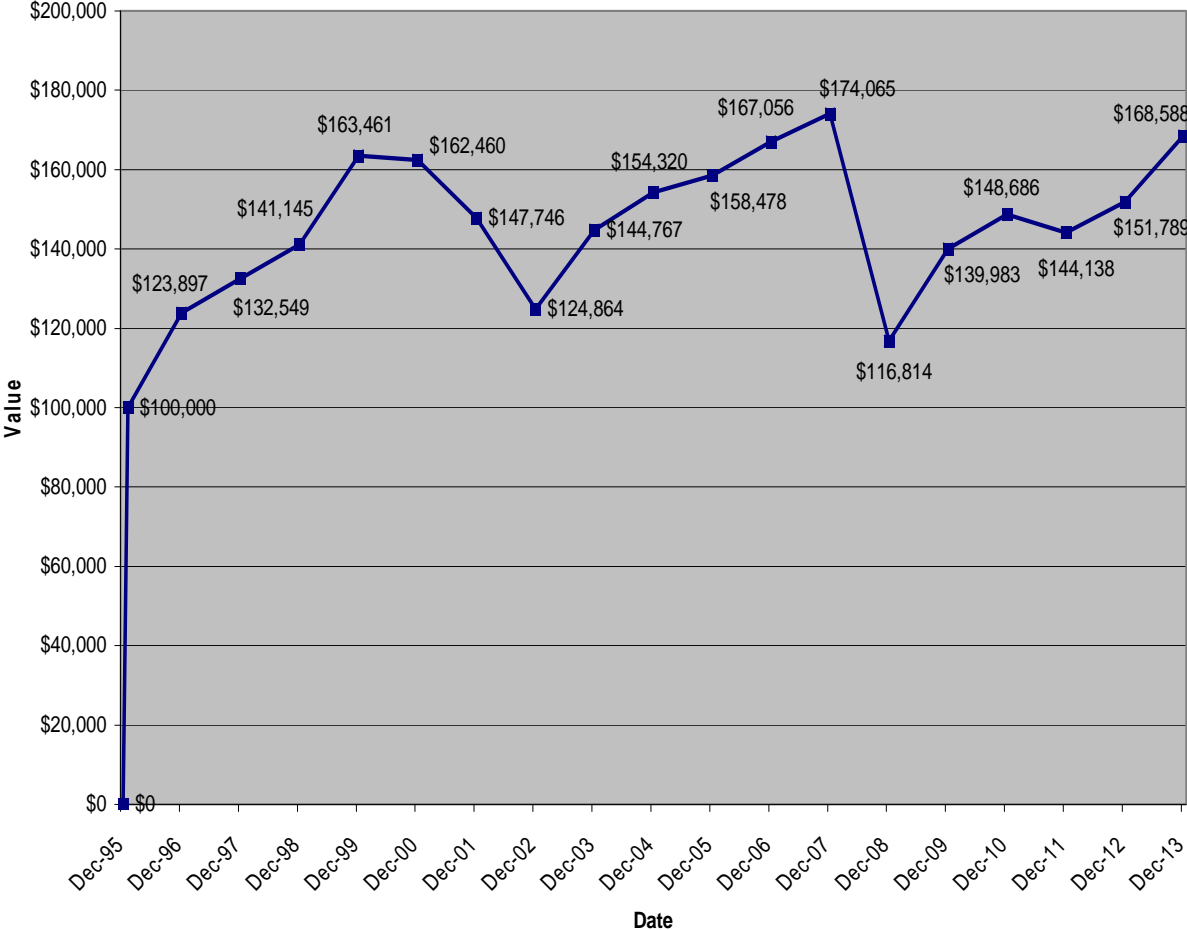
The Barto Trust was established by Minerva Barto as part of her last will and testament. In her will she bequeathed various amounts to different people and organizations, and then designated that the residue of her estate be used to establish a perpetual trust to benefit two churches: St. John Hill Church, and New Goshenhoppen Church. The National Bank of Boyertown was named as trustee, and directed to distribute the income to the two churches, in equal amounts.

The trust seems to have been formally established on or about January 30, 1996, with a principal amount of \$100,000.

We have a copy of her will, outlining the provisions of the trust.

12/31/95	\$0
1/30/96	\$100,000
12/31/96	\$123,897
12/31/97	\$132,549
12/31/98	\$141,145
12/31/99	\$163,461
12/31/00	\$162,460
12/31/01	\$147,746
12/31/02	\$124,864
12/31/03	\$144,767
12/31/04	\$154,320
12/31/05	\$158,478
12/31/06	\$167,056
12/31/07	\$174,065
12/31/08	\$116,814
12/31/09	\$139,983
12/31/10	\$148,686
12/31/11	\$144,138
12/31/12	\$151,789
12/31/13	\$168,588

Barto Trust Fund



## Rohrbach Trust

The Rohrbach Trust was established by Charlotte Rohrbach in the late 1980's. She created a charitable remainder annuity trust by contributing a sum of money to the trust account. She received an annuity from the account during her life, and when she died in 1994, the remainder of the funds in the account became a trust to benefit the charities she designated. Those charities are St. John – Hill Church and Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Leesport.

The trust for the churches was formalized in late 1994, and the initial distribution appears to have been made to the churches in late 1994 or, more likely, early 1995. The initial value of the trust was slightly more than \$400,000.

In the trust document, the trustee (initially Dauphin Bank and Trust Company, then changed to M & T Bank, and as of 2014 will be changing their name to Wilmington Trust) is to manage the funds and distribute the entire income from the trust to the beneficiaries on a quarterly basis.

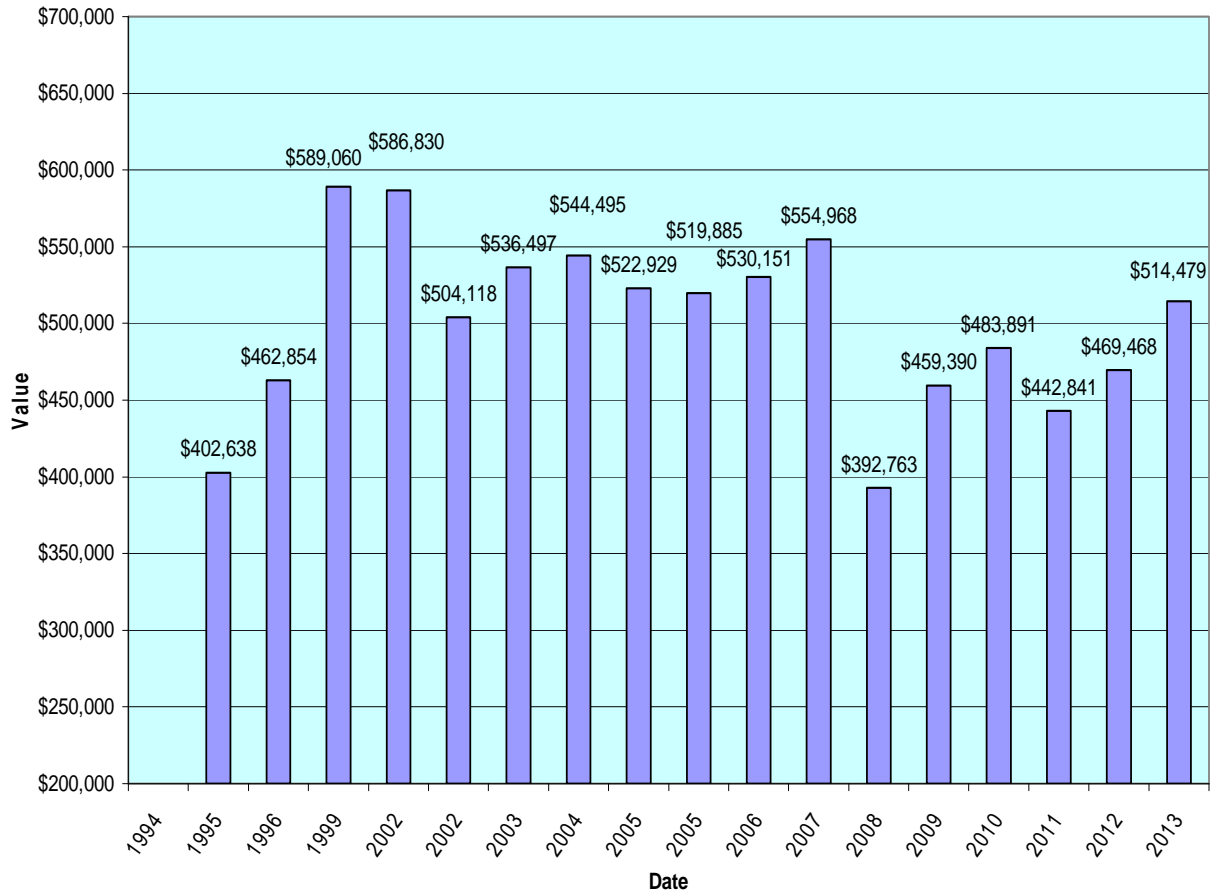
Wilmington Trust Bank, as trustee, has determined that this arrangement constitutes what is known as a "private foundation" and, as such, the trustee is required by the IRS to distribute to the beneficiaries no less than 5% of the trust's net worth each year. This is where the issue arises about being paid from the principal amount of the trust. If the income in any year does not exceed 5%, plus the management costs and fees (which have been about 2%), then part of the mandatory 5% distribution is going to be taken from the principal amount.

In other words, any year in which trust income is not at least 7%, the principal amount is going to be reduced.

Note: We have a copy of the document establishing the trust.

12/31/94	\$0
8/31/95	\$402,638
2/28/96	\$462,854
3/1/99	\$589,060
8/31/99	\$601,373
1/1/02	\$586,830
9/1/02	\$504,118
2/28/03	\$490,669
9/1/03	\$510,670
12/31/03	\$536,497
2/29/04	\$544,495
8/31/04	\$515,382
3/1/05	\$522,929
8/31/05	\$519,885
2/28/06	\$531,910
8/31/06	\$530,151
2/28/07	\$560,993
12/31/07	\$554,968
12/31/08	\$392,763
12/31/09	\$459,390
12/31/10	\$483,891
12/31/11	\$442,841
12/31/12	\$469,468
12/31/13	\$514,479

### Rohrbach Trust Fund



## 2013 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE YEAR IN REVIEW

The committee meets the first Monday of each month to discuss new and old events and happenings. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings and share your thoughts and ideas.

Our annual Souper Bowl Sunday fundraiser held in February filled the kitchen with 12 crocks of soup. We collected \$175, which was donated to the Boyertown Multi-Service.

Our children's Easter Program was on March 24<sup>th</sup> during the morning worship service. Thanks again Mayetta for the chocolate lollipops. The children were treated to an Easter Egg Hunt with crafts and snacks the Saturday before Easter. We honored our mothers on Mother's Day by giving each of them a carnation.

Summer started with an adventure to God's Kingdom at VBS. The many children and adults at Vacation Bible School in June learned to "Stand Strong." The crafts & missions station allowed kids to make some crafts to take home and remember the theme and also to give to the mission team to take with them to distribute to the families whose homes they were helping rebuild.

On August 3<sup>rd</sup> the annual Ringgold Band Picnic was held. Thanks to everyone who came out and enjoyed the evening and also to those whose hard work made the picnic a success. The next day we held our annual outdoor Sunday School service in the bandshell.

Our family day at Knoebels Grove started with a short worship service led by Eileen. 16 children were given ride tickets. Our annual 1 o'clock meeting at the bumper cars allowed everyone to test out their driving skills.

The Rally Day program was held in September with Soul Purpose spreading their wonderful message through song. On this day, 1<sup>st</sup> grade Sunday School students were presented with a Bible. We also honored those Sunday School students/teachers who had perfect attendance.

October began with many volunteers preparing for the annual Sausage Supper. The proceeds from the supper help fund various mission projects, VBS, camp fees and more.

Numerous service projects have been taken on by the Sunday School. They include:

- **Operation Christmas Child:** 39 shoeboxes were filled by the congregation and sent to less fortunate children in other countries.
- **Mid-Term Care Packages:** 17 college students received goodies and best wishes during their finals week.
- **The Angel Tree:** 5 children were sponsored at Christmas time. They received lots of gifts and toys thanks to the generous support of everyone.

As the Christmas season approached, the Sunday School children presented their annual program on December 22<sup>nd</sup> during the morning worship service. The day was highlighted by a visit from Santa with gifts for all children in attendance followed by a luncheon for all to enjoy. We then traveled to our home-bound families to share the Christmas spirit through carols.

This past year the Sunday School donated money to Global Ministries, sponsored our Tanzanian student, and donated to the general fund of St. John-Hill U.C.C. We look forward to continuing our mission of spreading His Word through 2014. Join us every Sunday morning at 8:30 AM. No matter how young or how old, there is a class for you!

**ST. JOHN-HILL U.C.C • HILL UNITED SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**2013 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**EXPENSES:**

LESSON MATERIALS	\$	1,891.58
CHECKS/DEPOSIT SLIPS	\$	9.29
SAUSAGE SUPPER	\$	1,380.03
RINGGOLD BAND PICNIC	\$	3,549.50
CHRISTMAS	\$	443.00
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	\$	641.66
EGG HUNT	\$	96.16
KNOEBELS GROVE	\$	171.00
CHRISTMAS SHOES	\$	216.20
MAINTAINENCE & REPAIRS	\$	709.00
MISSION TRIP	\$	170.74
ST. JOHN UCC GEN. MAINTENANCE	\$	1,000.00
MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTION	\$	50.00
POSTAGE/MAILINGS	\$	166.91
CHOW CHOW	\$	112.33
SAVINGS TRANSFER	\$	3,000.00
GLOBAL MINISTRIES - ELDER SPONSORSHIP	\$	600.00
OTHER DONATIONS	\$	300.00
SOUPER BOWL	\$	175.00
YOUTH CONFERENCE	\$	365.00
GUEST SPEAKERS	\$	125.00
LION OF JUDAH	\$	600.00
COLLEGE BOXES	\$	234.05
PIANO TUNING	\$	272.00
SPECIAL OCCASION GIFTS	\$	50.00
BIRTHDAY CARDS	\$	31.92
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,360.37</b>





## 2013 SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK COMMITTEE REPORT

The Park Committee consists of volunteers who accept responsibility for the care and maintenance of all of the church property excluding the church building. To maintain the properties, our primary source of income is the profit obtained from the annual ham & turkey suppers. This year we served 389 people at the ham supper and 650 people at the turkey supper. We made a total profit of \$5501 from the two suppers combined. The Park committee wishes to thank all the members, friends and organizations of our church for their volunteered assistance and food donations for these suppers. Also a big thank you goes out to anyone who has provided baked goods. Without the help of everyone we could not sponsor the suppers.

For 2013 work projects included:

### Parsonage

- Repairing / Clean up from storm damage
- Lawn Mowing & Maintenance, Shrubbery replacement
- Replaced electrical service
- Replace kitchen countertop
- Refinished living room floor

### Sexton's House

- Exterior Painting and Repair
- Repair porch

### General Park Grounds

- Continued "Pick Up Sticks"
- Tree Removal
- General Maintenance and Repair

2014 projects include major renovation of the sexton's house, stone pointing in the barn, tree removal, schoolhouse porch revitalization and as always "picking up sticks." Workdays are scheduled the **second Saturday of each month** year round. Now more than ever, it is very important to support our work days with your time and talent. When we work together we can accomplish anything that we set out to do. We invite everyone to come and join in the camaraderie and fun.

We wish to thank the Women's Guild for their continued support by providing lunch at our workdays (always the highlight of the day!) and for the snacks for our coffee breaks.

The committee wishes to show our gratitude by being thoughtful stewards of the church property. Our financial statement will show that the use of the money doesn't stop here but is used wherever needed.

Our current members are Terry Shane, Secretary; Joel Weller, treasurer; Clarence Weller, Bob Shakespeare, Jan Fisher, Richard Kemp, David Motz, Dennis Weller, Irv Yerger, Dale Fronheiser and Mark Hile.

We again thank all of you for helping us have a successful year.

Submitted by,  
**Mark Hile**  
Park Committee President

**ST. JOHN- HILL U.C.C. • SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK COMMITTEE**  
**2013 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Checking Account**

*Balance In Checking As Of January 1, 2013* \$5,493.55

**Income**

Ham Supper	\$5,438.00
Turkey Supper	\$7,748.00
Donation	\$25.00

**Total Income** **\$13,211.00**

**Expenses**

Donations / Gifts	\$150.00
Electric for Park	\$570.74
Gas for Park	\$444.82
Exterminator Service for Park	\$357.36
Maintenance Repairs & Improvements (To Parsonage)	\$5,501.87
Ham Supper	\$2,923.88
Turkey Supper	\$3,230.88

**Total Expenses** **\$13,179.55**

*Balance In Checking As Of December 31, 2013* \$5,525.00

**Savings Account**

*Balance In Savings As Of January 1, 2013* \$8,846.19

Interest \$7.06

*Balance In Savings As Of December 31, 2013* \$8,853.25

## **2013 WOMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL ACTIVITIES REPORT**

We started our year by enjoying a group outing and attending a Longaberger Basket & purse bingo event. Winning is nice, but what a greater blessing than having fun together.

We continue to support \$50.00 quarterly to St. John Hill for members with financial needs.

We donated \$200.00 toward Easter baskets for the residents of Wernersville State Hospital. We also supplied Lent refreshments in March.

Bingo was held at Frederick Mennonite Home in Obelisk in May. The residents enjoyed the games, prizes and refreshments we provided.

We held our 2nd "fun" auction in August. All auctioned items were donated by members and wrapped or gift bagged. Because the items were wrapped or bagged – bidders had no idea what they were bidding on. We had a wonderful turnout and had such a good time! We raised and donated a whopping \$772.00 to Nurse Partnership. We also baked cookies for the Pike Township anniversary celebration in August.

In September we hosted refreshments for Hart Inlow & Mtebe's visit updating our church members on the Lion of Judah.

October activities: For the second time this year, we hosted Bingo at the Frederick Mennonite Home. It's always a fun time with lots of prizes and refreshments! We made applesauce and chow-chow for the church suppers all on the same day. Whew-that took some organizing! If anyone has extra crops this coming year, please keep us in mind for chow-chow. Items needed would be green beans, wax beans, lima beans, red or yellow peppers, cucumbers and cabbage. Call Nancy Weller with any donations. We skipped our regular meeting in October and decided to enjoy our time together over a meal at Dryville Hotel – yum and fun! Talking about YUM! We also sold Dan's deli fundraiser coupons.

In November we found Wernersville was on our Christmas list again this year. We delivered \$300.00 worth of much appreciated gift items.

In December the Guild held a baby food/baby items collection drive. We also purchased \$200.00 in baby formula. The baby items were delivered to the Boyertown Area Multi-Service at the conclusion of our drive. Thank you to all who donated baby items, we collected a heaping pack and play of much needed food and formula. We also remembered 10 shut-in's during our Christmas Season by making and delivering gift bags. And what better way to end the year but with a wonderful Christmas dinner at The Bridge Inn. Where would we be without food and fellowship!

We have been blessed to be able to provide lunches during some of the work weekends for the park committee and volunteers. We also sponsor the Confirmation bibles and keepsake baby bibles to children being baptized and a keepsake book for the parents.

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Those of us that are able enjoy going to lunch occasionally to different restaurants in the area.

Our regular meetings are held on the first Tuesday night of the month at 7:00 p.m. Our meetings are held in the kitchen at church except for May and October. That is when we have our bingo parties at the Frederick Mennonite Home and our December meeting when we treat ourselves to a meal in a designated restaurant. Our meetings consist of a short regular business meeting and a short program. All Church women are members of the Women's Guild please feel invited to attend the meetings and please join us at lunch if you can. Call Marie Schollenberger 610-367-8747 to find the location of this month's lunch time and location.

We wish to thank everyone for all your support during the past years!

Blessings,  
Hill Church Women's Guild

## WOMEN'S GUILD FINANCIAL REPORT 2013

### EXPENSES:

Donations	\$	2,366.34
Fundraisers	\$	322.35
Bibles/Placemats	\$	303.25
Gifts	\$	406.18
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,398.12</b>

### INCOME:

Offering	\$	247.00
Dan's Deli	\$	396.00
Auction - Penny	\$	772.00
Funerals/Donations	\$	1,090.00
Cutlery	\$	161.75
Thanks Offering	\$	154.50
Pie Stand (suppers)	\$	680.50
<b><u>TOTAL INCOME</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,501.75</b>

**BALANCE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2013** **\$ 3,594.08**

**BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013** **\$ 3,697.71**

## **2013 HILL CHURCH UNION CEMETERY, INC. REPORT**

The Hill Church Union Cemetery, Inc. Board of Directors consists of six volunteers, each serving a staggered three year term. Three members are appointed by the Council of St. Joseph Hill Lutheran Church and three are appointed by the Consistory of St John-Hill UCC. The respective congregations then vote to approve the appointees.

The duty of the board is, “To maintain, supervise and be responsible for the operation of the cemetery and to ensure that it will serve the corporation and surrounding communities.”

The board meets four times a year, the third Tuesday of January, April, July, and November at 7 P.M. alternating the location between the two churches.

Each spring board members and volunteers straighten and reset tombstones that have shifted over the winter. They also locate/set cornerstones. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with these projects in the past and we look forward to your help again this spring.

The members for 2013 included David Renninger (treasurer), Charles Schwager, Charles Conrad (vice-president), Tyler Shane (secretary), Elmer Miller (president), Harold Miller, and Keith Weller, who replaced Harold after his death.

The current price of a single cemetery grave space is \$300, which includes the cost of perpetual care. There is an additional \$50 charge for premium roadside spaces. PLEASE NOTE that the cemetery bylaws state that there shall be no permanent planting or installations. Plants shall remain in pots or containers so they can be removed for trimming. Also, please remember to remove plants in a timely period and dispose of them properly for environmental purposes.

Submitted by,

Elmer Miller

President

**HILL CHURCH UNION CEMETERY, INC.**  
**2013 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Receipts**

Foundations.....	2,813.43
Tent & Equipment.....	975.00
Perpetual Care.....	2,750.00
Sale of Lots .....	7,950.00
Notary Fees & Deeds.....	550.00
Entry Fee.....	3,225.00
Interest on Investments .....	620.97
Harold Miller Memorial.....	3,681.00
	<b><u>Total Receipts:   \$22,565.10</u></b>

**Expenses**

Administrative.....	326.94
Cemetery Care .....	6,882.00
Foundations.....	2,947.75
Fuel Charges .....	900.00
National Penn Bank of Boyertown Safe Deposit Box Rental.....	30.00
Berks County Cemetery Assoc. Dues .....	10.00
American Cemetery Magazine.....	49.00
Flowers for Graves.....	17.58
	<b><u>Total Expenses:   \$11,163.27</u></b>

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**Invested Funds:**

Invesco U.S. Gov't Funds .....	167,016.61
Franklin Funds .....	64,633.90
Bally Savings Bank Account .....	67,104.61
Bally Savings Bank CD .....	17,000.00
National Penn Bank CD.....	7,000.00
Delaware Trust Fund.....	785.26
National Penn Bank Checking Account.....	289.82
	<b><u>Total Assets:           \$323,830.20</u></b>
<b>In Perpetual Care.....</b>	<b><u>\$171,377.69</u></b>

Officers:

Elmer H. Miller - President  
Charles Miller - Vice President  
Tyler C. Shane - Secretary  
David Renninger - Treasurer  
Charles F. Schwager - Member  
Keith Weller - Member

Auditors:

Nancy Weller  
Kathie Gilbert  
Matthew Robb



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT 2013**  
**ST. JOHN - HILL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

The Board of Trustees consists of three members elected by the congregation. Their main responsibility is the care and control of the property of the congregation as a sacred trust, whether real or personal, in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and of the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Church of Christ.

The following items have been addressed in 2013:

We have been reviewing bids for the restoration of the steeple and will continue this exploration this coming year and plan for the work to start in the spring of 2014 when we finalize the scope of work and select a contractor.

Raub's Stained Glass & Supplies of Fleetwood is continuing with the repairs of small stained glass windows.

We completed the refurbishing of the parsonage last May in time for Pastor Christian & Stephanie Creyer to move in.

Repairs have been completed from a motorcycle accident which caused some minor damage to the sexton's house porch.

We will continue to work with the consistory to maintain a priority list of maintenance and repair items of the church property.

We have a rich history here at Hill Church dating back to the early 1700's. Our forefathers had many great visions when they built this church to worship in. It is our responsibility to know our past so we can reach to the future and carry on the many dreams and traditions they started so many years ago. This is our time to step forward and spread God's love to all of our neighbors and friends.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Hile, Bill Moyer, & Terry Shane  
Trustees of St. John-Hill United Church of Christ

"We cannot stress enough the responsibility of stewardship each of us has in looking after the past, so that there will be history for the future to base itself upon." *Author unknown*

## PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE – ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2013

The Pastoral Relations Committee was formed by the Consistory in early 2005, right after Pastor Inlow arrived, as a way to improve and facilitate communication between the Congregation and Pastor, and to be a place where concerns and issues can be aired and resolved.

Within a short time, the committee's role began to expand as it developed fellowship activities (from coffee hour to game nights, summer concerts in the grove, and many other activities) and congregational life concerns (such as Friends Helping Friends). In developing these activities, the role of the PRC has never been to actually plan and carry out the events, but to serve as a catalyst to help these things get going.

This Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. to share “praises and concerns” along with brain storming of ideas to continually find ways for our congregation to gather together for fellowship with love in their hearts along with the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Below is a summary of a few items covered in 2013:

**January** – No meeting was held this month, so moving forward . . .

**February** – PRC feels a list should be drafted and posted of all the things our Church does. Many members are unaware of what the people of St. John Hill UCC do behind the scene. PRC became ecstatic this month - Pastor Christian Creyer was voted in by our Congregation on the 24<sup>th</sup> with an overwhelming majority voting YES! However, we will miss Pastor Barb, and wish her and her family only the best! May God go with them!

**April** – Sadly and excitedly PRC discussed holding an Appreciation Luncheon for Pastor Barb on May 5<sup>th</sup> before Pastor Barb arrived. After we discussed our usual monthly topics – fellowship events, coffee hours, mission trips and summer concerts, we spent a majority of our time learning from Pastor Barb by listening to her suggestions and ideas regarding our Shepherding concerns and techniques.

**May** – gave St. John-Hill UCC's Congregation great joy by honoring Pastor Barb with an Appreciation Luncheon and finally getting to meet her loving and supportive family!

**June** – PRC had an informal picnic meeting at Susy and Yog's. Rick couldn't attend, so Pastor Christian brought Stephanie and Connie brought Mark, and Barry brought Cheryl. It was a beautiful night on the deck and a lot of ideas and suggestions were bounced around well into darkness.

**September** – On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Sept., PRC met and discussed, once again the normal topics, but had fun planning a Halloween costume party to be held on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>. We also discussed co-sponsoring Dave Stahl's Sacred Orchestra with St. Joe's Lutheran Church on Nov. 17, 2013. Pastor Christian also discussed the various “Meet the Pastor” times he and Stephanie plan to host in September.

**November** – Had our “1<sup>st</sup>” Annual Costume Halloween Party. We had one many “moons” ago, but with this being Pastor Christian's favorite “holiday”, the parties in the future will not be forgotten.

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**December** – A “Parents Night Out” was held on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Rick Furches and his volunteers fed the children pizza and showed them the Polar Express while their parents had a night out to shop, have dinner, or just relax a few hours without the children under their feet. A brief meeting was held on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> during Coffee Hour to arrange assistance for Pastor Christian to visit all our “shut-ins” this holiday month, if needed. Pastor Christian had his visitations under control. Thank you Pastor Christian for your warmth towards others during a very busy time of the year.

God bless each and every one at St. John-Hill U.C.C. in 2014. Pray for us while we meet, plan and execute all the responsibilities we partake in and the activities we so lovingly offer to all while praising our Heavenly Father, God, above in 2014!

PRC Committee: Pastor Christian Creyer, Barry Baus, Caroline Brumbach, Rick Furches,  
Connie Hile and Susy Yerger.

## 2013 MUSIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

Anthems for the year were provided by the Senior Choir and occasionally by the Praise Choir. On Sunday February 26, we celebrated my 40<sup>th</sup> year as organist of the church. Thank you for all the support to the music ministry of our church during these 40 years. I was also featured in the Faces of Faith section of the Reading Eagle, thanks to Eileen Fisher.

During the summer months, volunteers provided musical selections as anthems for our worship services. Thank you to all who volunteered their talents.

The Senior Choir participated together with the choir of St. Joseph Hill Lutheran Church in a joint Thanksgiving eve service which was held at our church. The Senior Choir and guests presented the cantata "The Heart of Christmas" on Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup> as part of the worship service. It was scheduled for December 15<sup>th</sup> but was postponed until the 29<sup>th</sup> because of inclement weather.

On Christmas Eve at the 7 P.M. service, the prelude was provided by members of our congregation playing flute and piano selections. The Praise Choir sang an anthem, and Kristen Bender sang "O Holy Night" accompanied by Rick Furches (guitar) during the lighting of the candles.

At the 10 P.M. service, the prelude consisted of piano, recorder, keyboard, and organ selections. A vocal selection was sung by Bob Fleming and one also by George Benjamin. The Cantata Choir sang the anthem and the carols were accompanied by Eileen Fisher (piano), Bob Fleming (keyboard), and myself (organ). Bob Fleming sang "O Holy Night" accompanied by Rick Furches (guitar) during the candle lighting.

I'm thankful for everyone that volunteers their time and talents to our music department. I pray for continued support of this ministry of music.

Let us continue to SING PRAISE TO GOD OUR FATHER!

GOD BLESS  
Sincerely,  
Elmer Miller

## YOUTH GROUP REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2013

We started off the year again by attending Winter Jam which is a concert filled with many Christian artists and musicians. We also went Rock Climbing (indoors with safety ropes and with supervision). It was such a great time!

We enjoyed miniature golfing (teens against Pastor Christian and adults against adults). OH WHAT FUN!! Ice cream treats after the game.

In June we again looked forward to attending CREATION Festival. Can everyone say RAIN!! Yes it rained the day we set up, it rained the next day, and the next day, and the next day, and the next day. It rained every day and we were wet but as it rained – we realized that God Reigns over on us every day. Yes He did and he will Reign over (on) us forever.

Thank you for your continued support in donating to our aluminum can collection project. The money we raise from recycling the aluminum covers our sponsorship for Maricar – our Compassion child in the Philippines. Thankfully God looked over her and her family this past year during the Hurricane in the Philippines.

In the fall, we went and visited a few friends that needed help to rake leaves. OH what fun to jump in the leaves after they were raked! Well, we had to rake them together again. Oh yeah, pizza after all the work.

Thank you to everyone that helped with all these events this year and for helping the Youth Group!

# YOUTH GROUP FINANCIAL REPORT 2013

Checking Account

## EXPENSES:

COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL/SPONSORSHIP	\$	608.00
CREATION - FOOD - TICKETS - SUPPLIES	\$	3,923.11
MINI GOLF	\$	40.00
OHIO YOUTH CONFERENCE 2014	\$	480.87
SHUT IN GIFTS	\$	18.00
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	\$	5,069.98

## INCOME:

CREATION	\$	3,910.00
DONATION	\$	60.00
CAN RECYCLING	\$	386.57
<b><u>TOTAL INCOME</u></b>	\$	4,356.57

**BALANCE IN TREASURY AS OF JANUARY 1, 2013** \$ 1,937.36

**BALANCE IN TREASURY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013** \$ 1,123.95

## MISSION REPORT 2012

Our theme of “*God’s Work, Our Hands*” certainly held true this year. Through natural disasters God gave us opportunity to show his love.

In January, 15 volunteers returned to Keansburg, NJ to assist in recovery efforts related to Superstorm Sandy. Work there consisted of two projects. The morning was spent “gutting” basements that had been submerged in flood waters. In the afternoon we began rebuilding, hanging drywall, installing interior doors, spackling and painting. Months after the storm, homeowners we met were still in shock, still trying to put their lives back together and thankful they were not forgotten. The Women’s Guild graciously baked AP cakes which we distributed too many smiles. (And a slight bewilderment “what is AP cake!”)

The last week in July we again joined with St. Paul’s and traveled to Crisfield, MD rebuilding homes damaged from Sandy. Our group of 25 ranged in age from 17 to folks that have no problem getting senior discounts! Our work consisted of drywall, painting, trim molding, floor repair, roof patching, capping windows and a lot of caulking! The most important thing we were able to provide was hope.

For 2014 we will begin by staying close to home and assisting on the remodeling of the sexton’s house. Since 2007 we have traveled many places, have had many unbelievable experiences, have touched hearts and have had our hearts touched through God’s grace.

We look forward to expanding our outreach in 2014 to include Mission Trips as well as working locally. Feel free to contact any member of the Mission Team with suggestions or to participate.

Thanks to all who supported us through prayer, generous donations and fundraising efforts. (Grocery cards, hoagie sales, etc.)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mark & Connie Hile

## 2012/2013 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Month	2012 Date	Number Attended	2013 Date	Number Attended	Month	2012 Date	Number Attended	2013 Date	Number Attended
<b>January</b>	1	73	6	87	<b>July</b>	1	84	7	70
	8	118	13	106		8	82	14	115
	15	121	20	75		15	104	21	72
	22	100	27	79		22	106	28	84
	29	114				29	119		
Average Attendance		105		87	Average Attendance		99		85
<b>February</b>	5	106	3	63	<b>August</b>	5	99	4	93
	12	72	10	83		12	71	11	44
	19	92	17	67		19	54	18	138
	26	180	24	164		26	96	25	82
Average Attendance		113		94	Average Attendance		80		89
<b>March</b>	4	117	3	117	<b>September</b>	2	71	1	70
	11	141	10	141		9	84	8	102
	18	114	17	114		16	83	15	107
	25	119	24	119		23	88	22	93
			(M.T.) 28	49		30	81	29	82
			(7 am) 31	51	Average Attendance		81		91
		(9:30 am) 31	128						
Average Attendance		123		124	<b>October</b>	7	85	6	94
<b>April</b>	1	150	7	80		14	86	13	84
	(M.T.) 5	105	14	84		21	94	20	73
	(7 am) 8	58	21	104		28	82	27	90
	(9:30 am) 8	168	28	86	Average Attendance		87		85
	15	127			<b>November</b>	4	85	3	99
22	81			11		107	11	92	
29	198			18		87	17	Dave Stahl	
Average Attendance		145		89		(T.E.) 21		24	100
				25		103	(T.E.) 27	51	
Average Attendance					Average Attendance		96		97
<b>May</b>	6	110	5	112	<b>December</b>	2	99	1	92
	13	98	12	117		9	108	8	99
	20	106	19	103		16	123	15	33
	27	98	26	76		23	199	22	158
Average Attendance		103		102		(7 pm) 24	132	(7 pm) 24	172
<b>June</b>	3	89	2	97		(10 pm) 24	71	(10 pm) 24	98
	10	90	9	91		30	67	29	180
	17	68	16	99		Average Attendance		119	
	24	97	23	82					
			30	77					
Average Attendance		86		89					
*2008 average attendance per service was				118	*2011 average attendance per service was				108
*2009 average attendance per service was				104	*2012 average attendance per service was				103
*2010 average attendance per service was				103	*2013 average attendance per service was				95

\*The average attendance per service number does not include any special services or services that were canceled and have a "0" for attendance. The number does include the 9:30 am Easter service.



## RECENT HISTORY

***THE FULL CHURCH HISTORY FROM 1740 IS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.***

2001- JULY 22, CONGREGATION VOTED TO HIRE PATRICK SABRINSKI PAINTING TO PAINT THE EXTERIOR OF OUR CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL -\$17,067.81.

2002 - THE FOLLOWING RENOVATIONS TO OUR SECOND FLOOR SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM WERE DONATED BY THE SUNDAY SCHOOL: TWO NEW PARTITIONS, NEW FLOOR, DROP CEILING, PAINT, LIGHTING AND OTHER ELECTRICAL UPDATES ALONG WITH WHEELCHAIR ACCESS TO THE KITCHEN. CENTRAL AIR INSTALLED FOR 1ST AND 2ND FLOOR SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOMS. TOTAL COST \$37,335.00. ALONG WITH MANY PERSONAL GIFTS, A \$10,000.00 DONATION FROM THE PARK COMMITTEE WAS GIVEN TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TOWARDS THE COST OF THIS PROJECT.

2004 - BARN ROOF REPAIRED. COST, APPROXIMATELY \$9,000.00.

2005 – OUR OWN MEMBER, JOSEPH MOTZ – SON OF DAVID AND MARY MOTZ, ORDAINED INTO MINISTRY.

2007 - 1<sup>ST</sup> HILL CHURCH MISSION TRIP IN JANUARY AND 2<sup>ND</sup> MISSION TRIP IN DECEMBER. DESTINATION – GULF COAST, BILOXI MISSISSIPPI TO HELP REBUILD AFTER THE MASS DESTRUCTION OF KATRINA HURRICANE.

VOTED TO HIRE PATRICK SABRINSKI PAINTING TO PAINT THE STEEPLE, COST \$16,150.00

2008 - YOUTH TRIP TO CREATION FESTIVAL - A CHRISTIAN CAMPING, MUSICAL, WORSHIP RETREAT.

2009- WATER PUMP WAS REPLACED BY JIM LANDIS INC. AT A COST OF \$1,138.96.

THE CONGREGATION VOTED TO HIRE UHRIGS PROFESSIONAL PAINTING OF READING TO PAINT THE EXTERIOR OF OUR CHURCH. COST - \$18,728.00.

COLLECTED AND FORWARDED INFORMATION TO OUR INSURANCE COMPANY ON THE REPLACEMENT OF OUR COPPER CROSS. OUR CROSS WAS BENT IN HALF DURING A WIND STORM DURING THE SPRING OF 2009. THE NEW CROSS WAS INSTALLED ON DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> BY HIGH CLIMBERS CO., CHESTER SPRINGS PA. THE CROSS IS 20 oz. COPPER CLAD WITH AN ALUMINUM INTERIOR SUPPORT. \$9,640.00 – MOST OF THE COST WAS COVERED BY INSURANCE.

RECEIVED A DONATED GENERATOR. WIRING BY KEEN ELECTRIC,  
\$1,296.98.

YOUTH RETREAT TO CREATION FESTIVAL AGAIN.

JOINT MISSION TRIP WITH ST PAULS UCC, BIRDSBORO TO THE  
SOUTHERN FOLKSLIFE CENTER IN PIPESTOWN W. VIRGINIA.

SCHOOLHOUSE PAINTED BY THE SCOUT TROOP.

2010- SPOUTING & SNOW GUARDS INSTALLED ON BARN - \$3230.00.

SPOUTING INSTALLED IN THE CHURCH - \$4,679.00.

COMPLETION OF GENERATOR INSTALLATION.

PATCHING, SEALING, RE-COATING AND LINE PAINTING OF PARKING  
LOT - \$4,490.00

DINING HALL PAINTED AS AN EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT LED BY ALEX  
SCHOLLENBERGER.

SPEAKERS INSTALLED IN THE NARTHEX.

JOINT MISSION TRIP WITH ST PAULS UCC BIRDSBORO TO MAINE,  
ORELAND.

2011 - MISSION TRIP TO COSBY, TENN.

CHLORINATOR ADDED TO OUR WATER SYSTEM - \$4,681.21.

2012 - NEW SOUND SYSTEM INSTALLED IN SANCTUARY - \$8068.94

2013 - FLAG POLE LIGHTS INSTALLED - SPONSORED BY THE MILLER  
FAMILY IN MEMORY OF HAROLD MILLER WHO SERVED AS SEXTON  
AND CARE TAKER OF THE CEMETARY FOR 70 YEARS.

NEW EMERGENCY LIGHTING INSTALLED ON THE UPSTAIRS SUNDAY  
SCHOOL FLOOR.

MISSION TRIP TO CRISFIELD, MD.

## MEMORIAL PRAYER

PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN DIALECT: "UNSER FODDER UN UNSER GOTT; MEER WOLLA HEIT ON OL DEE LEIT DENKA OS DOH GA-LEABT HENN, OWWER HENN UNS FER-LUSS IM DODE-ES SHLOOF. MEER SIN DONKBORE, UN SHTULS, FER OLLES OS SEE GA-DUH HENN FER UNS -- FER SO FEEL GEWWA, FON SICH SELWERT, FER UNSER KARRICH OM GEH HOLTA. FEEL FON UNS SIN FON EHRRA BLUDE'S FRIEND-SHOFFT, OWWER OL FON UNS HENN YEASUS SEI GEISHT, GRAWT WEE SEE K'HOT HENN, DA-NOH SINN MEER OL GLEIEDER FON DA HIMMEL-ICHA FAMILIA. LUSS UNS GEWWA, TZU DA NOACH-KUMMENTA, GRAWT WEE SEE UNS, SO FEEL GUDES, GA-LUSST HENN. IM NAWMA FON CHRISTUS DAR SEI LEAVA GEWWA HUT FER DER DODE, UN UNS'RA SINDA, WECK NEMMA. AMEN"

"OUR FATHER AND OUR GOD, IT IS WITH GRATITUDE AND ADMIRATION THAT WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US, WHO GAVE SO MUCH OF THEMSELVES TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN OUR CHURCH. MANY OF US SHARE THE BOND OF BLOOD WITH THESE ANCESTORS, BUT WE ALL SHARE THE SAME UNITY OF CHRIST'S SPIRIT WHICH MAKES US ALL MEMBERS OF ONE HEAVENLY FAMILY. MAY OUR TRIBUTE TO THEIR GENEROSITY BE OUR MUTUAL COMMITMENT TO GIVE AS WE HAVE RECEIVED. IN THE NAME OF CHRIST WHO GAVE HIS LIFE TO FREE US FROM DEATH, WE PRAY. AMEN"

## PASTORS OF THE REFORMED CONGREGATION

REV. J. C. DILL ----- DATES UNKNOWN  
REV. JOHN WILLIAM INGOLD ----- DATES UNKNOWN  
REV. F. DALLICKER ----- 1790 - 1796  
REV. J. H. FABER ----- 1796 - 1799  
REV. FREDERICK HERMAN ----- 1800 - 1840  
REV. LEWIS HERMAN ----- 1840 - 1859  
REV. ROBERT VAN COURT ----- 1859 - 1864  
REV. P. P. A. HOFFMAN ----- 1864 - 1890  
REV. M. H. BRENSINGER ----- 1890 - 1891  
REV. H. A. I. BENNER ----- 1891 - 1892  
REV. M. H. MISHLER ----- 1893 - 1909  
REV. C. F. BARTHOLOMEW ----- 1909 - 1927  
REV. W. E. HORSTMEIRER ----- 1927 - 1929  
REV. W L. MECKSTROTH ----- 1929 - 1933  
REV. DONALD M. C. ENGLERT ----- 1933 - 1943  
REV. JOHN L. HERBSTER ----- 1943 - 1957  
REV. GEORGE K. LUDWIG ----- 1958 - 1961  
REV. G. HARRY NICE ----- 1962 - 1967  
REV. JAMES W ROGERS ----- 1967 - 2003  
REV. JAMES DUNN (INTERIM) ----- 2003 - 2004  
REV. JUDITH MEIER (INTERIM) ----- 2004  
REV. HARTFORD INLOW ----- 2004 - 2011  
REV. DANIEL MOSER (INTERIM) ----- 2011 - 2013  
REV. BARBARA PENCE (INTERIM) ----- 2013  
REV. CHRISTIAN CREYER ----- 2013 -