

CLEMMONS
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REPORT

2022

Believing, Belonging, Becoming and Branching Out



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WELCOME MESSAGE



Clemmons Presbyterian is a congregation seeking to be faithful to Scripture and responsive to God's Spirit, living out our calling as disciples in every aspect of our daily lives. We hope that we are no more "Christian" in worship than we are at work, at school, at home or at play.

We welcome into our family men, women, teenagers, boys and girls from a wide variety of locations, backgrounds, interests, concerns and commitments. Out of our diversity we search for unity through our worship, service and fellowship. As a Christian community, we commit ourselves to one another as we seek to be faithful to God through our lives of faith and action.

Clemmons Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), the church which came into being through the reunion of the old Northern and Southern Presbyterian Churches in 1983. We are one of 137 churches that make up Salem Presbytery, one of the five presbyteries in the state. Through our denomination and presbytery we offer a Presbyterian witness to Christ and the grace of God in North Carolina, the mid-Atlantic and around the world.



We are led and governed by a session (board) of 15 elders elected by the members. The congregation attracts members from a three county area, all united in their desire to serve God and their neighbors in the Presbyterian tradition within a vibrant and growing community of faith.

WE ARE A COMMUNITY SERVING GOD BY:

Believing – Deepening our spiritual lives through excellence in worship and faith formation.

Belonging – Intentionally offering a warm and caring environment to communicate and share Christ's love.

Becoming – Providing opportunities for active participation in expanding programs for all stages of life and Christian growth.

Branching Out – Witnessing to Christ's saving grace through mission, outreach and invitation.



OUR STAFF



LEIGH WISNER
Transition Pastor



KAYLEE HILSTON
Director of Youth and
Christian Education



BEN WALLACE
Office Manager



MEGAN JOHNSON
Administrative Assistant

OUR STAFF



BRITTANY DARST
Music Director



AUSTIN BEASLEY
Organist



CAROLYN BROWN
Child Care Professional



KELSEY HOUSER
Child Care Professional

OUR STAFF



JIM REGISTER
Video Technician



DAN ZACHARIAS
Video Technician



ETHAN KLINGER
Video Technician

CLERK'S REPORT

New Members

James Aitken

Phil Ashley

Kenzie Bullins

Rob Cummings

Susan Cain

Isaac Sherman

Peter Simcik

Melissa Switzer

Samantha Aitken

Ivy Barkley

Sharlo Cullison

Patsy Griffin

Rachel Moss

Linda Showers

Owen Smith

Terry Whitlatch

Jean Ashley

Sarah Baucom

Crystal Cummings

Doug Knighton

Gloria Otti

Maggie Simcik

James Switzer

Baptisms

Cameran Aitken

Madison Donahue

Crystal Cummings

Dalton Milam

Peyton Cummings

Levi Warren

Deaths

Fred Brookwell

Jim Moore

Don Sanford

Bill Wesely

Evelyn Church

Art Munguia

Inessa Sarkisov

Michael Harrold

Betty Rogers

Roger Squier

Transfers

Doreen Bohanon
Wilma Gilbert

Hoy Bohanon
Ken Slaughter

Bob Gilbert
Virginia Slaughter

Moved to Inactive or Non-Resident Rolls

Evan Ashenbrenner

Ryan Smith

Total Membership

Membership as of December 31, 2022: 504





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



The Christian Education ministry creates opportunities for all members and friends of Clemmons Presbyterian Church to grow in their spiritual journey. Christian Education encourages a thinking, nurturing climate for a lifelong, challenging biblical inquiry into the Presbyterian/Reformed perspective of the Christian life.

We would like to thank our Christian Education Committee this year: Kaylee Hilston, Jenny McPherson, Bridget Hollomon, Faye Tedder, Bobbie Calgaro, and Shannon Spencer.

Children's Worship:

Children's Worship has been very successful. Most Sundays we have 10-15 children who participate. Children's worship is for children K through 5th grade. At the present time, they continue to meet together in the children's worship area across from the nursery (room 211). The curriculum they are using is called "Feasting on the Word."

Sunday School

Adult Sunday school classes, Confirmation, and classes for children through high school offered learning and fellowship.

Before the Service at 9:00 AM Adult Classes

- This class uses the Present Word curriculum to study the "Uniform Bible Lessons". Strong Bible foundations and lively discussion characterize this class. This class meets in room 206.
- The Seeds of Faith class studies the basics of the Christian and Presbyterian faith. It is a class for all ages and anyone interested in learning more about what we profess to believe and how we go about being the church. This class meets in the fellowship hall and on Zoom.

After the Service at 11:00 AM Children and Youth Classes

- Children 4 through 5th grade will meet in room 101 following worship and will be using a variety of different curricula.
- 6th-8th graders will meet in room 105 following worship and will be using the "Follow Me" curriculum.
- 9th-12th graders will meet in the GOOTH room in the 100 building following worship and will be using the "Follow Me" curriculum.

Nursery

Child care has allowed families with small children to worship with us in person again. Our nursery staff grew in 2021 with the hiring of Kelsey Houser, which helped us to know we would always have at least two adults.

Saturday Yoga

Yoga was led by Felicia Stewart Hoyle in the fellowship hall and via Zoom on Saturdays.

Women's Bible Study

Char Holloway has led the Women's Bible Study at 10 AM on Thursdays in the fellowship hall. She has found many interesting topics for her Women's groups.

Special Events

- Dr. Hoyle taught a 5 week class in January titled "Meeting the New Testament"
- Rev. Wisner hosted a Zoom class titled "A Study For Busy Parents" on Tuesday evenings in February.
- The Easter Egg Hunt had a large turnout of children and families and the weather was perfect - eggs were hidden so well that church staff continued to find treats the following week.
- Dr. Hoyle taught the "Eight Deadly Thoughts" during Lent on Sundays 11 AM
- Rev. Wisner taught a two week class in May titled "The Rogue Books Of The New Testament: The Gospels and Those That Didn't Make The Cut".
- Vacation Bible School was a huge success! Children participated in "Discovery on Adventure Island: Quest for God's Great Light".
- We celebrated backpack Sunday on August 18th this school year.
- Rally Day was held on September 10th. Families were invited to kick off the year with a movie, games and pizza the night before.
- Dr. Hoyle, Rev. Wisner, and Rev. Patricia Greene taught a 6 week "pop-up" Sunday School class beginning in September titled "What it means to be Presbyterian"
- Fifteen of our children participated in a special choir in October.
- Also during October, Reverend Felicia Hoyle taught a class titled "Gather Us In: Companions On The Journey".
- The Advent Workshop was held on Sunday, November 20th at 11 AM. There were approximately 15 children at the event with their families. Everyone had a great time!
- On December 24th our children and youth participated in our Christmas pageant. It was great to see everyone have fun and enjoy Christmas together!
- There were multiple new member classes throughout the year.





CONGREGATIONAL CARE



The Congregational Care Committee is responsible for identifying and meeting the needs of the members of the church as well as caring for them in a kind and loving manner. This committee has been busy throughout the year.

Martha Ministry is a group of volunteers that collaborate to serve a meal for CPC families during time of illness, death, birth and special needs. They also coordinate the food and facility for funeral receptions as needed. Leader: Susan Preston
Homebound Ministry contacts, on a monthly basis, members who are homebound to see if they would like to receive communion. Leader: Laura Geyer

The Prayer Chain is an email prayer chain where individuals volunteer to pray for people who are in need. Leader: pastor(s).

Prayer Shawl Ministry provides comfort and support to individuals during a time of crisis or a passage by hand-knitting or crocheting prayer shawls and lap robes and then distributing to those in need and to the confirmation class members. Leader: Leslie Shattes

Card Ministry sends cards to members and their families during illness, surgery, death of a loved one, birth or other special concerns. Cards are placed in the narthex on Sunday mornings for congregational signatures. Leader: Willie Garvin

CPC Grad Connection sends cards and care packages to high school graduates not living at home and affiliated with CPC to maintain a connection between the students and CPC. Leader: Ronda Cooper

AED (Defibrillator) and first aid kits are checked on a regular basis and updated as necessary. Leader: Char Holloway

Medical Equipment Loan Closet is available to loan such items as crutches, shower chairs, etc., to church members or friends of members who have a short-term need. Leader: Marilyn Bosley

Ride Assistance provides rides for church members who no longer drive. Leader: Linda Showers

Casserole Ministry prepares casseroles which are placed in the church freezer (bottom right of the church freezer) for anyone to take for themselves or to deliver to others who are experiencing the stresses of life. Leader: Susan Preston

Stephen Ministry is being developed during 2023. This ministry is designed to provide one-on-one care to members who are experiencing a difficult time in life. Leaders: Julie Holmes and Stan Clarkson

FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Ministry provides opportunities for members and visitors to Belong and Become as they share Christ's love in community with one another. We strive to bring people together by strengthening individual, group, and intergenerational connections while having fun. Most often we bring people together through shared meals, shared interests, and special events. During the first months of 2022, the covid restrictions and conditions eased and then were eliminated. Participation in church activities started out small but increased as the year went on.

FELLOWSHIP PLANNED, ORGANIZED, AND STAFFED THE FOLLOWING EVENTS DURING 2022:

Hot Chocolate Bags

Given after the service in January to take home and enjoy. Regular and sugar free bags with chocolate chips, peppermints and marshmallows were available to anyone who wanted a warm treat.

Coffee & Doughnuts

Held after service the second Sunday of each month, this program provided a time for refreshment and fellowship with members and guests.

Chili Cook Off

The first in-person event held in the fellowship hall for 2022. There were five entries of excellent chili by members of CPC and voting was done by attendees.

Hot Cross Buns & Lemonade

To celebrate Easter, Fellowship passed out hot cross buns and lemonade after the church service.

SPECIAL RECEPTIONS AND LUNCHEONS

Throughout the year Fellowship hosted various receptions and events including Rachel and Bill's retirement reception, 90+ birthday reception and the graduation luncheon for CPC graduates.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Tropical Cruise Bingo was held again with gift card prizes, frozen mocktails and a conga line.

Fellowship under the Special Events Team offered:

- A Dash game night with fireworks.
- A pancake luncheon was held in the summer after services and was very well received.

Vacation Bible School

Fellowship provided meals for VBS as well as providing set up and clean up.

Also included under the fellowship ministry are groups who meet with a shared interest. These groups meet independently and have their own leadership.

Groups included are:

Empty Nesters: An active group of older adults.

Men's Breakfast: Men of the church who get together once a month for breakfast and a devotional.

CPC Golf: Members of the church who enjoy playing golf.

Bread Breakers: Groups of 6-8 who gather once a month for dinner.

Many thanks to all the loyal kitchen helpers, volunteers, special events team, and leaders who helped plan, organize, and staff events.



FINANCE

The Finance Committee is pleased to report that we have a surplus of revenues over expenses for 2022 in the amount of \$31,446. Going into 2023, there is an expected loss of \$48,880. The \$48,880 deficit is largely attributable to a reduction in anticipated receipts of \$74,320 over actual 2022 Receipts. Pledge cards received for 2023 were down \$51,793 over pledge cards received in 2022 and expected unpledged receipts are anticipated to be down \$36,210. The surplus amount for 2022 will be utilized to partially offset the 2023 expected loss.

In 2022, through our monthly mortgage payment, Clemmons Presbyterian paid down the mortgage principal by \$57,167. Through pledged building campaign receipts and extraordinary gifts, Clemmons Presbyterian was able to pay down the principal balance of our loan an additional \$103,850. Our beginning loan balance in January 2022 of \$690,410 was reduced to \$529,393 during 2022.

In October of 2022, a new money market account was opened with First National Bank to begin earning interest on available funds at a premium money market rate. In December of 2022, the session approved the investment of a portion of these funds into CD's of varying terms and rates ranging from 3.75% to 4.35%.

This year also included the completion of the revision to the Finance Committee Policies and Procedures and the hiring of Cannon & Company, an outside CPA firm, to review the documented policies and procedures, test our present system of internal controls, and make recommendations for improvement. Cannon & Company should complete their procedures and issue their report sometime in March or April of 2023.

In addition to overseeing the financing of the many operations and ministries of our church, it is most important to note that in excess of \$75,838 was given by our Missions Committee to local, regional, and worldwide ministries in need.

I thank each member of our Finance Committee, including Chris Baucom, Willie Garvin, Evan Frisby, Michele Clarkson, Barry Holmes, and my Co-Moderator, Don Baker for their dedicated service in executing their fiduciary responsibilities for Clemmons Presbyterian Church.



MISSIONS

Missions Statement

The responsibility of the Mission Committee is to lead the congregation in living out the ministries of Jesus Christ and to oversee the expenditure of budgeted funds, promote the four denominational special offerings (One Great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost, Peace & Global Witness, and Christmas Joy), and the 2 Cents-a-Meal and Christmas Eve offerings, as well as other opportunities in which we can share our resources. Through the newsletter, bulletin, News and Notes, and "Moment for Missions," we keep the congregation up-to-date with "mission" opportunities in the denomination and our community. We participate internationally with work trips to Mexico and sponsor John McCall, our partner in mission who is serving in Taiwan.

The Mission Committee meets the second Tuesday of each month for 60-90 minutes. Members fulfill the duties of the committee and provide leadership in events that interest them. We welcome volunteers for mission projects. Leadership of a mission project does not require membership in the committee.

By the end of 2022, many of the activities of Missions restricted by COVID were restarted. These include Wake Forest University Presbyterian Students meals and worship services at retirement homes.

2022 Missions Committee Members:

Current Members are: Helen Lynde, Lora Crowley, Emily Lovell, Dave Markley, Diane Hightower, Allison Rhyne, Betty Balsler, Russ Vroom, and Pastor Leigh Wisner. During 2022 due to moving, retirements, and other activities we lost David Barnes, Patti Sturdy, Tony Stovall, Tom King, and Pastor Bill Hoyle

Co-Moderators: Emily Lovell and Dave Markley

Some of the Highlights for 2022 include:

•Community Care Medical Clinic: At this free clinic professional health care workers see patients in the late afternoon and evening. CPC provided five meals in 2022. CPC is one the churches that provides meals to the clinic on a regular and ongoing basis so that the staff can stop in the break room for a quick meal and not have to leave the facility for dinner thereby increasing the number of patients they can see during a given evening.



•Habitat for Humanity: In 2022, the Missions Committee adopted the PC(USA) Matthew 25 initiative, specifically eradicating systemic poverty. CPC chose to fulfill Matthew 25 through active support for Habitat for Humanity in Forsyth and Davie counties. In 2022, CPC volunteers participated in five Habitat work days helping to construct several houses. Also the Missions budget providing \$6500.00 to Habitat for Humanity. Our congregation, through our Habitat catalog and other donations, gave \$1710.00 to Habitat. Contact Steve Lowder for more information.

•Food Pantries: Missions has an ongoing grocery cart collection for canned and dry goods, as well as paper products. The collection is divided between the Clemmons Food Pantry and Storehouse for Jesus (Davie County), providing assistance to each agency on alternate months. In 2022 CPC donated over 3000 pounds of food. Clemmons Food Pantry received 1212 pounds of food which included 97 pounds from Vacation Bible School and 180 pounds from the GOOTH Food Drive. Storehouse for Jesus received 1352 pounds. In addition the GOOTH Souper Bowl of Caring collected 429 pounds of food. CPC also donated over 6400 diapers to the food pantries.

•Crop Walk: The Mission Committee and GOOTH jointly sponsored CPC participation in the annual Crop Walk. The funds raised go to feed the hungry at home and abroad. Local funds benefitted Crisis Control Ministry and Sunnyside Ministries. Our 2022 walk on October 18 raised \$3,276.94 by 25 walkers.

•Mexico Mission Trip: Hebron USA coordinates week-long mission trips in Chiapas. The 2022 trip was July 16-24 2022. We sent 4 members with the group that conducted Vacation Bible School for local children. The church assists with registration and expenses. Contact Lora Crowley for more information.

•El Buen Pastor (EBP): El Buen Pastor is a Spanish-speaking new church development by PC(USA) and is a long-standing partner with CPC. This church seeks to live the mission to show and share Jesus in the Spanish-speaking neighborhoods of Winston-Salem. Diane Hightower represents CPC on the El Buen Pastor board. In addition to providing operating funds, our congregation makes substantial contributions to the education role of EBP through annual school supplies campaigns and support for their art and music after school program.

•Red Cross Blood Drives: Under the leadership of Sam Boger, CPC conducted 6 successful American Red Cross blood drives. The drives collected 353 units.

•Angel Tree (AKA the Giving Tree): 2022 was again a wonderful success. This year we sponsored 30 children through Big Brothers/Big Sisters, 7 children of a refugee family, and provided gift cards for the Children's Hope Alliance. Allison Rhyne Eales, Emily Lovell, Helen Lynde, and Tracy Ratzlaff conducted the Angel Tree efforts.



•Good Neighbor Team/Refugee Response Team: After five years of support for our Eritrean families, the two families moved to High Point to join a community of other Eritreans. The Missions Committee thanks the team led by Felicia Hoyle and the "Mommas". Through their efforts, with support from the entire CPC congregations, the Tewelde family successfully transitioned from newly arrived refugees to standing on their own. Towards the end of 2022, the Missions Committee desired for CPC to sponsor another refugee family. Through one member of the congregation we learned about the Asumanis, a family of nine who are refugees from Tanzania. CPC generously included the Asumani children in our Angel Tree campaign. In 2023, we intend to develop another Good Neighbor like team to assist and support this family.

•Christmas Eve Offering: This year's offering collected \$694.00 and was designated for the medical benevolence fund for supporting medical services in Haiti.

•Interfaith Alliance of Clemmons and Lewisburg (IACL): In 2022 the school mentoring program continued as a pilot program for area elementary schools. In conjunction with Big Brothers/Big Sisters (BBBS) the program offers one-on-one mentoring with students at Frank Morgan and Ward Elementary Schools. This year the program added Lewisville Elementary School. CPC has two volunteers acting as mentors. To raise awareness, Lexi Scoggin and Don Baker gave a Moment for Mission in March. Another continuing action is providing school supplies, hygiene, and anxiety support items to school counselors. IACL addresses these needs as they arise. The most common is clothing items to provide student after accidents making a change of clothes. The session approved using the CPC portion of the Pentecost Offering to provide funds for the showing of the IACL/CareNet sponsored film "Race to be Human". After considerations the IACL decided not to sponsor the film. The funds allocated for the film were returned to the church finances. In May the IACL sponsored the Sweet Summer Sendoff for teachers and school staff. CPC contributed cookies to this endeavor. The event was well received but due to publicity problems the attendance was less than anticipated. Because CPC has its own programs, we did not participate in two projects of collecting school supplies and supporting a community Angel Tree. We anticipate that CPC will remain an active participant in 2023.



Benevolence Supported Through Salem Presbytery:

• Salem Presbytery (Per Capita).....	\$21,050
• Winston-Salem Campus Ministry.....	\$1,000
• Theological Education Fund.....	\$800
• John McCall (Taiwan Partner).....	\$2,000

Local and International Benevolence:

• Crisis Control.....	\$2,250
• SECU Family House.....	\$500
• CareNet Counseling.....	\$500
• Samaritan Ministries.....	\$2,500
• A Storehouse for Jesus.....	\$2,779
• Clemmons Food Pantry.....	\$2,779
• Senior Services.....	\$1,000
• El Buen Pastor.....	\$3,000
• Medical Benevolence-Haiti.....	\$2,694[1]
• Massanetta Refugee Program.....	\$1,000
• Wheels for Hope.....	\$500
• Children's Hope Alliance.....	\$1,000
• Community Care Clinic (Clinico).....	\$500
• Clinico Meals.....	\$550
• World Relief Triad.....	\$500
• Good Neighbor Team.....	\$550
• Presbyterian Disaster Relief.....	\$1,000
• Hebron USA./Chiapas, Mexico clinic.....	\$1,250
• Mexico Mission Trip.....	\$1,250
• Calvary Prison Ministry.....	\$800
• Young Adult Volunteer.....	\$500
• Habitat for Humanity - Forsyth County.....	\$5,000
• Habitat for Humanity - Davie County.....	\$1,500
• Massentta Springs.....	\$500
• Montreat Conference Center.....	\$300
• Presbyterian Giving Catalog.....	\$500
• Miscellaneous.....	\$400
• Living Water for the World.....	\$750[2]
• Outreach Map.....	\$250
• Family Services.....	\$500
• Solas Christus.....	\$500
• Presbyterian Home.....	\$233

Anyone needing further information please contact a member of the Missions Committee.

[1] Includes \$694 from Christmas Eve Offering

[2] Remaining items added with End of Year Funds

NEW MEMBERS & OUTREACH

New Members and Outreach is a new ministry previously housed under Congregational Care.

In 2022 Jane Ring and Diane Hightower became co-moderators for this ministry.

Leviticus 19:34 “You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God”

The New Members Committee seeks to identify, welcome, and follow-up with church visitors. As visitors fill out pew pads and give consent, visitors are visited by a committee member, taken a church mug filled with pens, candy, and church literature. Calls and other contact are made as follow-up.

New Members Committee has found that utilizing YouTube to broadcast church services and events, Facebook, church website, and other technical services provided by the church have been instrumental in gaining interest in CPC from those both near and far.

Here are some of the activities and highlights for the year:

- April- purchased colorful Welcome sign placed at entrance to parking lot.
- Placed advertisement for church Easter Services in both Clemmons Courier and Davie County Enterprise newspapers.
- Participated with church VBS
- Welcome to CPC classes June 5, 12, 17 and November 6, 13, 17
- October 23rd - participated with Village of Clemmons 6th Annual Monster Dash and Goblin Hop. This event had a participation of over 500 children and parents. CPC hosted a table, gave out gift bags with church literature, and provided 2 fun activities for the children to participate in.
- Had printed Christmas postcards for members to share with outside of church advertising all of our Christmas activities and services.

New members for 2022:

Adults-23 Children-6 Confimands-4



PERSONNEL

The 2022 Personnel Committee Members

Virginia Bushnell

Ted Pugh

Dick Salmon

Anne Lowder

Rob Swaim

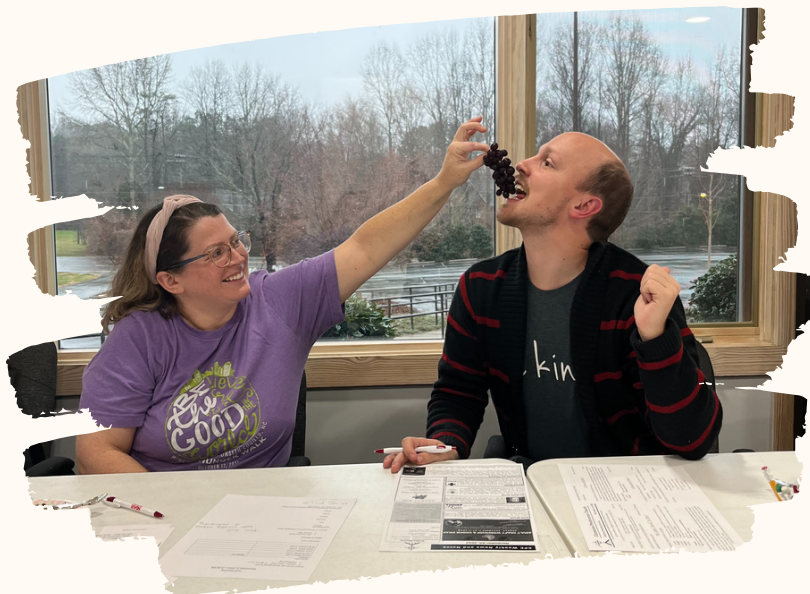
Moderator: Susan Allred

Accomplishments for 2022

- Developed four policies to be placed in the CPC Employee Handbook:
 1. Benefits for Future Part-Time Employees
 2. Benefits for Future Full-Time Employees
 3. Maternity/Paternity Leave
 4. Medical Leave

The first two policies standardized the benefits that will be offered to all future part- and full-time employees. The Maternity/Paternity and Medical Leave policies were written for situations not provided for in the CPC Employee Handbook.

- Expanded the 403(b)(9) retirement savings plan benefit to offer employees a matching contribution of up to 3% of salary. All employees of CPC are eligible for this benefit, regardless of the numbers of hours worked.
- Hired Austin Beasley as organist upon the retirement of Rachel Moss.
- Hired Kelsey Houser as the second nursery worker to assist Carolyn Brown.



PROPERTY

Churches are known as the House of God and like all houses, they require maintenance and repair. And with parts of our church campus being over sixty years old, our church home is no different.

2022 started out the year with us having snow and ice three weekends in a row. This required the clearing of the sidewalks and the spreading of ice melt. Special thanks to Al Russell for clearing our parking lots.

Some of the repairs that were needed were to fix the ice maker in the kitchen that had stopped working, to replace a burner in our gas stove, to repair a faucet in the nursey, and to replace a valve in the men's bathroom in the 100 building.

Forsyth County requires that all backflow devices be inspected on a regular basis. And as we were trying to figure out where our backflow device was located for the 100 building, it was determined that we did not have one. We had a plumbing company install the required equipment so now we are up to what is required.

We had some needed painting done in the church this year. The water stained wall in the sanctuary was painted at the end of the summer. Other areas that got some new paint were the nursery, room 206 and Leigh's office.

Our heating and air systems needed a lot of attention last year.

- We had to replace one HVAC unit for the 200 building.
- One of the units that cools the sanctuary, parlor and choir room had problems early in the summer.
- The HVAC unit for the atrium was leaking coolant and had to be repaired.
- The AC in the 100 building required a new circuit board and a new blower fan after a possible lightening strike. And luckily these repairs were completed just in time for Vacation Bible School.
- We had a clogged drain line for the A/C system in the sanctuary that caused water to back into the sanctuary.
- A leaking pipe in the mechanical room for the sanctuary boiler was repaired.
- We had problems with the heat in the parlor due to a leaking zone control valve to the water coil.
- Right at Christmas when the temperatures dropped near the single digits, we had a water leak in the boiler for the 100 building which unfortunately meant that we had no heat.



We also had a lot of fun with our trees in 2022.

- We had two trees that were blocking the growth of a magnolia tree outside the choir side of the sanctuary removed.
- We lost a large part of a tree that fell into the parking lot behind the fellowship hall in August.
- Hurricane Ian came through on September the 30th, we lost the rest of the same tree back into the parking lot and two large sections of two trees in the front of the 200 building. The trees were cut down, hauled off and the stumps were ground up.
- New trees were planted in front of the 200 building and a large boulder was placed in the area. A plaque honoring Bill Hoyle was placed on the rock.

We had two very successful and well attended church clean-ups in 2022, one on April the 23rd and the other on October the 29th. We spread mulch all around the church, put down pine straw around the 200 building, cleaned out several flower beds, did a complete clean of the nursery, and did some much needed cleaning out of the two outside storage buildings.

Thanks to everyone that came out to our two events this year to help. And a special thanks to church member Britt Perkins for hauling and dumping the mulch we used.

A church like ours cannot operate with the help of its members. People who have knowledge of how things at our church work and people who are willing to get dirty to fix them. Special thanks to Ben Wallace in the church office who makes sure that so many things at our church happen. And thanks to Rod Felderman, Steve and Anne Lowder, Bob Geyer, Bob and Beth Maclin, Jim Register, Roger Hartsfield and Mike Blizzard for all of their help.



WORSHIP

Your worship committee worked hard during 2022 to get us all back in the sanctuary for live worship services. We began asking that everyone wear a mask and social distance but ultimately pretty much returned to normal (ie, no masks, handshakes (if desired), etc.

We also returned to passing offering plates, friendship pads and passing the peace

We were fortunate to have Brent Eaton as the head elder for his third year - Thanks Brent for all your hard work and contributions

We continue to have services available on YouTube and a tremendous improvement in quality has been realized since the inception of these productions. Thanks to Dan, Jim, Bob, Terry and all the others (Ethan and several youth) for allowing our services to be viewed anywhere in the world

CPC continues with one worship service each Sunday. During 2022 we conducted two surveys to determine the interest in returning to two services, one at 8:30 am and the second at 10:45 (as in previous years). Very few people expressed an interest in this change but we will continue to monitor the congregation's desire in the future

Our loved and respected organist, Rachael Moss, retired. We were very fortunate to hire Austin Beasley as her replacement and he's been a perfect fit! Austin has certainly impressed us with not only his musical talents but his desire to be involved with many facets of our church life

The largest change for our congregation was the retirement of long time senior pastor, Rev Bill Hoyle. We assisted the transition committee (and others) in having a wonderful retirement party and reception after his final sermon. Although Pastor Bill, Felicia and the family will be missed we are extremely fortunate to have hired Rev. Leigh Wisner as our transitional pastor.

Our committee consists of a large number of dedicated volunteers for services like: ushers, greeters, communion prep (and serving), music, sanctuary flowers, wedding, funerals, baptisms and special services, acolytes. We would love to have additional folks from our congregation participate - It's very rewarding service

Unfortunately, in our world today, security for our congregation, as well as staff, constantly has to be reviewed and enhanced. Additional measures and procedures will be implemented in 2023 and the congregation will be kept abreast of these developments.



YOUTH (GOOTH)

It has been another wonderful year with our youth. The GOOTH have enjoyed some great time together for fun, faith, and fellowship. We are blessed to have a church family that is so supportive of our young members, and to have a team of council members and advisors that are so committed. Our youth continue to shine, and we are all blessed when time is shared with this group.

A new year of GOOTH started off strong with dreams and goals planning, and then after a fun-filled lock in, was very busy with Youth Sunday prep work. This service on February 27 was an incredible success and showed off all the dedication and hard work that the youth and advisors put into it.

During the months of March and April the youth spent afternoon GOOTH time intentionally with a Lenten study on Shame, Vulnerability, and Resilience. This was well attended and thought provoking. A shift from normal GOOTH evenings, but well received overall. At the end of April, we had our annual blessing of the animals service that had many four-legged attendees.

In May we wrapped up our spring programming with a summer trip meeting, an end of year party, and a graduation luncheon. These events are truly possible only because of our parents and volunteers.

With the summer came three highly anticipated trips: Massanetta Springs middle school conference, CROSS Missions, and Montreat Youth Conference for High Schoolers. For Massanetta we were fortunate to pair up with two other churches to help have more chaperones and a larger group, though we took 6 middle schoolers of our own, as well as Massanetta whiz Sam McNoldy and Kaylee. For CROSS missions in Charlotte, we had 9 youth and two chaperones, the fearless Kyle Shofner and Kaylee. For Montreat we had 10 high schoolers as well as Sam McNoldy, Brittany McGowan, Matt McPherson, David Hedrick, and Kaylee.

August and September kicked off our fall programming with visits to all our rising 6th graders, an official “kickoff” party, a movie night and a special guest speaker (Bill Hoyle).

In October we had plans to go to the Carolina Classic Fair, but we were rained out, so we hosted our own “fair” in the GOOTH room, complete with games, prizes, and funnel cakes by Kaylee. We also had a hugely successful silent auction (THANK YOU to all who donated items), a kickball game with other churches in our presbytery, participated in the CROP Walk in downtown Winston, attended a WFU Football game, and had a Halloween party complete with carving pumpkins.



November and December look similar every year, with annual important events. We went hiking at Pilot Mountain, we held our second annual Jenga tournament, we had Gobbler Gonanza (but this year with a twist - we included a service element and cooked Mexican lasagnas for the casserole ministry...thank you to all the volunteers who helped with that endeavor!) We also did our big canned food drive in the neighborhood behind the church, sponsored and shopped for an angel tree child, made luminaries for Christmas eve, and had middle and high school Christmas parties.

Throughout the entire calendar year, we kept a regular schedule of meeting about every other Wednesday at different restaurants for GOOTH Eats, a tradition that used to be “summer only” but has proved so important to relationship building and fellowship that we thought it imperative to continue all year. We love this time together to hear about school, sports, and laugh until we spit out our drinks.

As moderator of the Youth Council for 2022, I would like to extend deep gratitude to our CPC family for the multiple ways you support our youth. Special thanks to our council members: Sam McNoldy, Kirsten Williford, Art Blackwood, Sherri Frisby, and Samantha Aitken. Stan Clarkson also served on this council until he began his valuable service with the Stephen Ministry...he is much appreciated and greatly missed. We also want to welcome Shannon Spencer who will be joining as co-moderator for the Youth Council beginning 2023.

Every week, our GOOTH Advisors gift their time and talents to our GOOTH at the weekly meetings, outings, and trips. Thank you to Sam McNoldy, Brittany McGowan, and Samantha Aitken for showing God’s love to the GOOTH. A very, very deep bow of gratitude to our very special Kaylee Hilston. Kaylee is the glue that keeps this ministry moving and growing. When Kaylee is with our youth, they are never without a feeling of being understood, valued, and loved....a true ministry of God’s love and grace.

Finally, to the volunteers that have stepped in throughout the year..to take time to attend youth summer trips, drive to and attend events, provide snacks, and share their talents with the youth...We NEED you and we APPRECIATE you. (Pat Luckett can share how much the GOOTH enjoyed learning cross stitch, and our chaperones can attest to the value of time spent with youth.) The youth benefit from and love the time shared, and your time is never wasted.

If you would be willing to share your time or talent with our GOOTH, please reach out to Kaylee Hilston, Kathy Hedrick, or Shannon Spencer. The GOOTH really enjoy and benefit from the unique ways God shows his love through your unique gifts.



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AGENDA

Congregational Meeting
February 12, 2023
11:00 am

Welcome and Call to order – Moderator Leigh Wisner

Opening prayer – Moderator Leigh Wisner

Request Clerk of Session or another individual to act as clerk for the meeting – Moderator Leigh Wisner

Acknowledgement of a quorum (10% of membership) present – clerk

Session Elders to present 2022 committee reports

Susan Preston to present Transition Team report

Corporation president Susan Preston to present corporate business

In accordance with state law and the direction of the Book of Order of the PCUSA we are holding an annual corporate meeting to accept the business of the Corporation of Clemmons Presbyterian Church. This consists of accepting the activities of the Session, which constitutes the Board of the Corporation. All Session actions and activities are documented and available for review in the Record of Session minutes. This record is available at the church office or from the Clerk for review by any member of the congregation. Motion requested to accept the activities of the Session as the business of the corporation for the year 2022.

Elder Kathy Hedrick to request a motion to elect candidates for the 2023

Request motion to adjourn – Moderator Leigh Wisner

Close with prayer – Moderator Leigh Wisner