

The Presbyterian Church of Wyoming

2009

Annual Report

Congregational Meeting

February 21, 2010



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The Presbyterian Church of Wyoming
Meeting of the Congregation and the Corporation
Agenda

February 21, 2010 10:00 a.m.
Held in the Great Room

Opening.....Rev. Dr. Ed Goode, Moderator
Declaration of Quorum.....Sue Moriarty, acting Clerk
Opening Prayer.....Rev. Dr. Ed Goode
Motion to Declare Meeting of Congregation and Corporation be Conducted Simultaneously
Approve Minutes of 2008 Meeting of Congregation and Corporation.....Rev. Dr. Ed Goode

Nominating Committee.....Don Hoffman

Motion of Appreciation for Class of 2010

Elders: *Skip Koesterman, Don Hoffman, Sue Moriarty, Leslie Mowry, Lisa Nocks*

Deacons: *Jim Falkenstine, Julia Kinlaw, Terri Naeve, Sandy Palmer, Mary Jo Peairs, David Melville*

Nominating Committee: *(Class of 2010) Kay Landers, Don Peairs, Dean Gaudin, Barb King, Stuart Schaefer*

Motion to Elect New Officers (Class of 2013).....Don Hoffman

Elders: *New: Barbara Fant, Jill Martin*

Returning: Skip Koesterman, Sue Moriarty, Lisa Nocks

Deacons: *New: Raye Allen, Maureen Miller, Craig Theile, Doug Vollette*

Returning: Julia Kinlaw, Terri Naeve, Celia Klug (youth)

Stewardship Committee: *Chair: David Walton, Vice Chair: Kipper Burke*

Motion to elect Nominating Committee at large from congregation *(Class of 2011)*

Cheryl Albrecht, Duff Melville, Claudia Streeter, Rich Vanatsky

Financial Results.....Leslie Mowry

2009 Operating Results

2009 Balance Sheet

Motion to receive the 2009 Results and Balance Sheet

2010 Proposed Budget.....Leslie Mowry

Motion to receive the 2010 Budget

Personnel

Terms of Call Change.....Rich Uhle

Ministry and Committee Reports.....Rev. Dr. Ed Goode

Motion to receive all Ministry and Committee Reports

Questions and Responses.....Rev. Dr. Ed Goode

Motion to adjourn the meeting

Closing Prayer and Benediction.....Rev. Dr. Ed Goode

Pastor's Report to Congregation

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

The most significant new book that I read this year was *The Furious Longing of God* by Brennan Manning. I have read it twice this year now and God continues to speak to me through the words. It is important to note that it is not the Furious Longing For God, implying an emphasis upon how we should be longing for God, but instead God's longing for us. God's pursuit of us. God's desire to be in relationship with us all. The passage out of his book that hit me time and time and again this year speaks of God's longing for us, but also the change that it should make in us. On pages 124-125, he writes:

The gospel is absurd and the life of Jesus is meaningless unless we believe that He lived, died, and rose again with but one purpose in mind: to make brand-new creations. Not to make people with better morals, but to create a community of prophets and professional lovers, men and women who would surrender to the mystery of the fire of the Spirit that burns within, who would live in ever greater fidelity to the omnipresent Word of God, who would enter into the center of it all, the very heart and mystery of Christ, into the center of the flame that consumes, purifies, and sets everything aglow with peace, joy, boldness, and extravagant, furious love.

That passage captures much of what I think about when I think of 2009 at PCW and looking ahead into 2010. To me, this year has been about witnessing us Being the Church – being many of those things that Manning writes about but also challenged toward growing even more so.

We came together in some beautiful ways this year...The open and honest dialogue that opened the year as we wrestled with the financial realities of the congregation in the midst of the financial realities of our own lives...the ways that the congregation encouraged a church staff who took a 5% pay cut to help with the budget situation...twelve incredible Super Second Saturdays of Service where hundreds of people were touched – both those who served and those who were served...a rocking and life-changing Vacation Bible School...Mission trips for tween, middle school, and high school youth...Worship services at the pool that were both wonderfully encouraging and open to all...blessed small group experiences that helped us go deeper in our faith...the ways that the congregation surrounded and supported people in need... worship services that encouraged, challenged, and filled us... The Be the Church Sunday when we were commissioned and sent out for projects all over the area...Music experiences in concerts and in worship that lifted the soul and spirit... the people who gathered for our Blue Christmas service in mid-December... the celebration of the children on Christmas Eve and candles lifted high as we sang "Joy to the World, the Lord is come"...and so much more.

**Pastor's Report to Congregation
(Continued)**

We continue into 2010 with the emphasis upon what it means to Be the Church. We started with an introduction to that in September and October, in November we explored what it means to be called by God. Our Advent focus took us into the promises of God seen in the person of Jesus that we are called to embrace and declare to others. This year we start to move outwards as we are beginning an emphasis upon how we take God's calling and God's promises and find how they can be rooted in our lives so that we can grow and reach out to the world. Into May, we'll be exploring our Spiritual Gifts and then the ways we can use our callings, the promises, our growth, and our giftedness to reach out to the world that God so longs for. This is all directed towards our call to Be the Church for one another and for the world. It is experiencing and declaring the reality of God in our lives and in the world.

The longing of God is real. It is real in our lives. It is real for all people. It is real for the world. Longing. God's longing for us. Our longing for God. Our longing that all may experience the reality of God in their lives. As we close 2009 and enter into 2010 and beyond, may we be driven and led by those longings in our lives. May the Holy Spirit give us the vision, enthusiasm, passion, and longing for God and for the world.

Grace & Peace,

Ed

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WYOMING
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND
CORPORATION
FEBRUARY 22, 2009**

Rev. David Zuidema opened the meeting with prayer in the Great Room of the church at 10:05am.

A quorum was declared and the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Dr. Edward Goode.

MOTION APPROVED TO CONDUCT THE CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION MEETINGS SIMULTANEOUSLY.

MOTION APPROVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE 2008 CONGREGATION/CORPORATION MEETING.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION (Continued)

Nominating Committee

Mike Kremzar represented the Church-wide Nominating Committee in the absence of Chair Kay Landers. He recognized those who were completing their current terms as elected members of the boards of the church:

Elders: Patsy Gaines, Kay Landers, Betty Pease, Rod Sidley, and David Walton.

Deacons: Julie Galloway, Becky Preslar, Rose Slemmons, Clark Stevens, Kathy Wilson, and Anna Grace Reynolds.

Church-wide Nominating: Kay Landers, Mike Kremzar, Skip Koesterman, Becky Preslar, Jill Martin, and Leslie Pease.

THE CONGREGATION ENTHUSIASTICALLY APPROVED A MOTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN LEADERSHIP ROLES FOR OUR CHURCH.

The Church-wide Nominating Committee then placed the following names in nomination:

Elders Class of 2012: Christine Bonner, Patsy Gaines, Kay Landers, Marla Waldron, and Rod Sidley

Deacons Class of 2012: Catherine Burke, Ed Hunter, Rob Keelor, Joyce Mueller, Rose Slemmons, and Kathy Wilson

Deacons Class of 2010: David Melville and Celia Klug (Youth)

Church-wide Nominating Committee – At Large Members: Barb King, Dean Gaudin, Don Peairs, and Stuart Schaefer

There were no nominations from the floor.

MOTION TO ELECT THE PROPOSED SLATE AS PRESENTED PASSED.

Finance Committee

Financial results were presented by the Chair of the Session Finance Committee, Leslie Mowry. The 2008 budget had a \$93,097 deficit that was reduced by a portion of a gift provided in 2007 and this balanced the budget. There is \$60,000 remaining in this gift. The repair to the organ and three stained glass windows will cost \$115,000 but only \$76,000 has been pledged to date. The organ repair is complete and the plan is to fix only one window this year and the other two in 2010.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2008 BUDGET PASSED.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION (Continued)

The 2009 pledges are down 17% from 2008 with 170 pledging units compared to 175 units last year. In response to this reduction in pledges, the Ministry Areas have reduced their budget requests by 59%, Benevolences are requesting 17% less, and the Property Reserve Fund is reduced by 20%. In order to achieve a balanced budget, a 5% reduction in remuneration of all staff will be necessary. A \$10,000 gift from a family foundation provides scholarships for the four paid student soloists for 2009 and this permits an equivalent \$10,000 reduction in the music budget. The desk attendants have been discharged to reduce those costs and Debbie has changed her hours to provide coverage during the evening hours. Even with these steps, there is a deficit of \$32,371 in the 2009 budget of \$668,500 which will be covered by the last of the gift account. This budget has been approved by the Session.

MOTION TO RECEIVE THE 2009 BUDGET AS PRESENTED PASSED.

Personnel

The Chair of the Session Personnel Committee, Don Hoffman, excused the Pastors and their spouses for a discussion on the effect of the 5% remuneration on their Terms of Call. This change reduces Rev. Zuidema's 2009 base salary from \$55,031 to \$52,829 in total effective salary and total compensation of \$76,460 with benefits.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REDUCED TERMS FOR REV. ZUIDEMA PASSED.

Dr. Goode's 2009 salary changed from \$78,948 to \$76,720 in total effective salary and total compensation of \$109,838 with benefits.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REDUCED TERMS FOR DR. GOODE PASSED.

Elder Hoffman stated that these terms would be reviewed in six months with the desire to restore these temporary reductions.

MOTION TO RECEIVE ALL MINISTRY AND COMMITTEE REPORTS PASSED.

MOTION PASSED TO ELECT CORPORATE OFFICERS ROD SIDLEY, PRESIDENT; LESLIE MOWRY, TREASURER; AND MARILYN KREMZAR, SECRETARY.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING PASSED.

The meeting was closed by Dr. Goode with prayer at 10:55am.

Dr. Edward Goode: Moderator

Marilyn P. Kremzar: Clerk of Session
Corporation Secretary

Rod Sidley: Corporation President

MEMORIAL FUND

The Finance Committee is responsible for managing the Memorial Fund. The fund consists of contributions to the church made in memory of someone who has died or to honor an individual or occasion. The Finance Committee through the Session administers this fund in ways to carry out the expressed wishes of the donors. When the monies are undesignated, the committee allocates them to important needs as requested by the ministries, the staff or others within the church and as approved by Session. These disbursements are usually for non-budgeted operating expenses.

The following memorials were received in 2009:

Bob Anderson	Jack Lewis
Dot Beckman	John Metcalfe
George Bannecker	Dick McCracken
Lucille Kuyper Brocer	Lee Orendorff
Phoebe Brown's Mother	Catherine Shaffer
Harold Cooley	Marilyn Wilbur

MEMORIAL FUND

	Amount	Totals
Balance: 12/31/08		
Fifth Third		\$33,820.34
Receipts:		
Memorials	\$4,510.00	
Interest	16.12	\$4,526.12
Disbursements:		
Deposit Tickets	42.46	
Consecration Sunday	3,600.13	
Study Leave	900.00	
Organ Subsidy	900.00	
Library	122.59	\$5,565.18
Balance 12/31/09		\$32,781.28
Allocation of Funds:		
Adult Prayer Group	\$50.00	
Arts and Acquisitions	\$100.00	
Tape Library	\$237.60	
General Operations	\$565.00	
Library	\$1,237.47	
Local Mission	\$500.00	
Chancel Choir	\$1,480.00	
Music	\$2,255.00	
Reading Pals	\$50.00	
Youth	\$1,335.00	
VCR	\$100.00	
Preschool	\$25.00	

MEMORIAL FUND (CONTINUED)

World Harvest Mission	\$25.00	
Contemporary Music	\$40.00	
Organ	\$2,595.00	
Sounds System	\$40.00	
Thanksgiving	\$100.00	
Deacon Fund	\$100.00	
Windows	\$20.00	
Unallocated	\$21,926.21	\$32,781.28

**ENDOWMENT FUND
TAYLOR METCALFE & MIKE MILLER**

The Endowment Fund is managed by the Finance Committee. Fund assets are maintained separately from the operating and reserve funds of the church and include two classes, Fund A and Fund B. The Session has discretion to spend both principal and income of Fund A. Fund B assets are maintained in perpetuity and Session has the authority to spend income only. All funds are managed in accordance with donor wishes.

On December 31, 2009, the market value of the Endowment Fund was \$657,763 having increased by 24.50% on the securities in the fund during the year. Endowment Fund investments generated income of \$14,209. Endowment Fund transfers to our Operating Fund totaled \$26,475. The market value of the investments increased by \$119,513. By comparison, the S&P was up 23% with 100% in equities and the DOW was up 19%. Endowment Fund details are shown below.

Endowment Funds are managed by Merrill Lynch and invested in a variety of mutual funds and fixed investments. The current allocation of funds is 47% equities and 53% fixed investments.

	Amount:	Totals:
<i>Balance 1/01/09</i>		
Merrill Lynch.....		\$550,516
Receipts		
Interest and Dividend Income.....	\$14,209	
Net Depreciation in Investments.....	\$119,513.....	\$133,722
Disbursements		
Endowment Income Included		
In Operating Fund.....		(\$25,000)
Easter Brass.....		(\$1,475)

ENDOWMENT FUND (CONTINUED)

Balance 12/31/09

Fixed Income.....	\$309,148	
Cash.....	\$39,466	
Equities.....	\$309,149	\$657,763

Allocation of Funds.....	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Endowment Fund A		
-Unrestricted.....	\$167,468	\$274,715
Endowment Fund B		
-Restricted in Perpetuity.....	<u>\$383,048</u>	<u>\$383,048</u>
Total.....	\$550,516	\$657,763

2009 Results of Operations--Operating Fund

	<u>2008</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	(UNDER) <u>BUDGET</u>
OPERATING RECEIPTS				
Current Pledges	\$ 604,260	\$ 572,979	\$ 590,000	(17,021)
Designated Benevolences	6,993	21,871	17,000	4,871
Prior Year Pledges	19,903	5,965	8,000	(2,035)
Unpledged Contributions	12,556	12,264	12,000	264
Plate Offering	7,868	9,874	7,000	2,874
Special Offerings	6,816	4,906	7,000	(2,094)
Facilities Use	1,644	480	1,500	(1,020)
Interest Income	391	26	1,000	(974)
Endowment Income	40,000	25,000	25,000	-
Special Gift	93,097	52,301	-	52,301
Lads & Lassies/Community Oper. Variance	1,500	3,500	-	3,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS	795,028	709,166	668,500	40,666
OPERATING EXPENSES				
SALARIES & BENEFITS				
Ministers	143,615	189,427	188,398	1,029
CYFM	69,842	63,472	63,867	(395)
Worship & Music	121,777	98,380	96,706	1,674
Administration	144,879	122,338	114,445	7,893
TOTAL SALARIES & BENEFITS	480,113	473,617	463,416	10,201
MINISTRY AREAS				
Christian Education				
Children's Ministry	7,205	6,965	6,900	65
Logos	(3,586)	(6,250)	(2,500)	(3,750)
Youth	2,620	1,569	2,230	(661)
Natural Church Dev.	620	1,340	400	940
Adult Education	2,079	1,321	1,200	121
Worshipping Ministry				
Worship	6,859	970	2,175	(1,205)
Music	4,200	4,193	2,350	1,843
Vision Service	1,837	284	1,200	(916)
Congregational Care				
Deacons	243	95	200	(105)
Evangelism	0	279	0	279
Stephen Ministry	0	-	0	-
Fellowship	750	217	500	(283)
Mission Ministry				
Stewardship	20	0	50	(50)
Administration Ministry				
Arts & Acquisitions	-	100	100	-
Annual Stewardship	606	-	250	(250)
Pastor Search	20,524	-	-	-
Outreach Ministry				
Outreach Ministry	1,008	30	1,200	(1,170)
TOTAL MINISTRY AREAS	45,055	11,131	16,255	(5,124)
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION				
Maintenance	59,428	35,496	35,000	496
Utilities	67,904	66,893	68,000	(1,107)
Office Operation	39,469	35,200	30,700	4,500
Insurance	18,359	15,595	15,700	(105)
TOTAL BUSINESS ADMIN.	185,160	153,184	149,400	3,784
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	710,328	637,932	629,071	8,861
BENEVOLENCES	69,700	66,234	66,800	(566)
ADD TO PROPERTY RESERVE	15,000	5,000	5,000	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	795,028	709,166	700,871	8,295
NET EXCESS (DEFICIT)	0	0	(32,371)	32,371

2009 Balance Sheets--All Funds

	Operating	Property	Memorial	Endowment	Total All	2008
	Fund	Reserve	Fund	Fund	Funds	Total All
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
ASSETS						
Cash	\$ 67,070	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 67,070	\$ 166,693
Money Market Funds	70,865	6,816	32,781	-	110,462	78,292
Note Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments:						
Endowment Fund A - Unrestricted	-	-	-	274,715	274,715	270,716
Endowment Fund B - Restricted in Perpetuity	-	-	-	383,048	383,048	279,800
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 137,935</u>	<u>\$ 6,816</u>	<u>\$ 32,781</u>	<u>\$ 657,763</u>	<u>\$ 835,295</u>	<u>\$ 795,501</u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Prepaid Pledges	\$ 55,308	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,308	\$ 59,895
Church Bus Fund	7,029	-	-	-	7,029	7,256
Accrued/Suspended/Committed Accounts:						
Building Fund	1,450	-	-	-	1,450	-
Choir Music Fund	1,228	-	-	-	1,228	1,678
Youth Mission	19,520	-	-	-	19,520	5,994
Scholarship Fund	13,541	-	-	-	13,541	13,816
Valley Concert Series	561	-	-	-	561	145
All Other	25,003	-	-	-	25,003	93,376
Subtotal Suspended Accounts	61,303	-	-	-	61,303	115,009
 Total Liabilities	 123,640	 -	 -	 -	 123,640	 182,160
 FUND BALANCES	 <u>14,295</u>	 <u>6,816</u>	 <u>32,781</u>	 <u>657,763</u>	 <u>711,655</u>	 <u>613,341</u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 137,935</u>	 <u>\$ 6,816</u>	 <u>\$ 32,781</u>	 <u>\$ 657,763</u>	 <u>\$ 835,295</u>	 <u>\$ 795,501</u>

Basis of Presentation:

Cash basis, with minor modification.

No cost or value assigned to church land or property.

Refer to individual fund reports for additional detail.

2009 Results of Operations--All Funds

	Operating Fund	Property Reserve Fund	Memorial Fund	Endowment Fund	Total All Funds	2008 Total All Funds
RECEIPTS						
Pledges, Contributions, and Offerings	\$ 680,160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 680,160	\$ 751,493
Memorials and Endowments	-	-	4,510	-	4,510	10,315
Rental Income - Burns Home and Manse	-	9,600	-	-	9,600	9,600
Facilities Use, Net	480	-	-	-	480	1,644
Individual Fund Interest and Dividend Income	26	-	16	14,209	14,251	38,228
Endowment Income Included in Operating Fund	25,000	-	-	(25,000)	-	-
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Investments	-	-	-	119,513	119,513	(256,228)
Lads & Lassies/Community Oper.Variance	3,500	-	-	-	3,500	1,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>709,166</u>	<u>9,600</u>	<u>4,526</u>	<u>108,722</u>	<u>832,014</u>	<u>556,552</u>
EXPENSES & BENEVOLENCES						
Salaries & Benefits	473,617	-	-	-	473,617	480,113
Ministry Areas	11,131	-	-	-	11,131	45,055
Business Administration	153,184	-	-	-	153,184	185,160
Rental Property Expenses	-	22,494	-	-	22,494	40,828
Other Disbursements	-	-	5,565	1,475	7,040	4,547
Total Expenses	<u>637,932</u>	<u>22,494</u>	<u>5,565</u>	<u>1,475</u>	<u>667,466</u>	<u>755,703</u>
Benevolences	66,234	-	-	-	66,234	69,700
TOTAL EXPENSES & BENEVOLENCES	<u>704,166</u>	<u>22,494</u>	<u>5,565</u>	<u>1,475</u>	<u>733,700</u>	<u>825,403</u>
NET EXCESS/DEFICIT	5,000	(12,894)	(1,039)	107,247	98,314	(268,851)
INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND OTHER CHANGES:						
Operating Fund to Property Reserve	(5,000)	5,000	-	-	-	-
Other Changes	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(7,894)	(1,039)	107,247	98,314	(268,851)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	<u>14,295</u>	<u>14,710</u>	<u>33,820</u>	<u>550,516</u>	<u>613,341</u>	<u>882,192</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 14,295</u>	<u>\$ 6,816</u>	<u>\$ 32,781</u>	<u>\$ 657,763</u>	<u>\$ 711,655</u>	<u>\$ 613,341</u>

Refer to individual fund reports for additional detail.

STEWARDSHIP

JEFF KING, CHAIR DAVID WALTON, CO-CHAIR

Thank you for your enthusiastic participation in the Stewardship program. Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes. This year, we selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis. This program is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, and to treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. *New Consecration Sunday* encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

We started off the program with an introduction article in the *Crossroads* on October 19. For three weeks starting Sunday, October 25, members of the Consecration team presented testimony and details in a Consecration Moment in each of the worship services in order to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship on November 15. On Consecration Sunday, the worship service was climaxed with attendees and members making their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world by completing and bringing forward an *Estimate of Giving Card*. Each of the three worship services was followed by a delicious catered Celebration Luncheon at which initial giving results were presented. Below are the most recent results.

Estimate of Giving Results

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>Change</u>
Giving Units	186	174	+16
Estimated Gifts	\$615,000	\$590,000	+ \$25,000
Average Gift	\$3,306	\$3,391	-85
New Giving Units	22	6	+16

We are very pleased and encouraged with the overall results of the Stewardship program this year. These gifts will enable consistent and life-changing mission opportunities, continued deep and encouraging worship and music experiences, vibrant and growing youth ministry, ministries of care and support, small groups that help us grow closer to one another and to God, and so much more.

Again, thank you for your enthusiastic participation, commitment and support in the Stewardship program.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE COMPARISON-average weekly per month

	2007	2008	2009		2007	2008	2009
January	218	230	236	July	240	238	210
February	185	323	233	August	182	187	222
March	251	225	230	September	245	255	230
April	277	233	309	October	225	240	159
May	241	208	234	November	252	242	269
June	217	226	186	December	253	277	282

Average Monthly 2007 2786	Average Monthly 2008 2793	Average Monthly 2009 2800
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2009 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership at year beginning	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	809	611	610	552	536	530	531
New Members							
Communicants	6	4	0	9	4	0	8
Certificate	6	5	5	3	6	7	9
Reaffirmation	4	12	2	3	13	6	1
Profession	2	7	0	0	7	1	0
Transferred	18	7	0	3	13	2	1
Inactive Roll	86	0	1	1	0	2	20
Removed	102	15	2	10	13	0	0
Deaths	10	7	21	17	10	9	10
Membership at year end							
	611	610	552	536	530	531	518
Baptisms	11	12	3	2	4	2	0

Note: This information is obtained from the Session Meeting Minutes each month.

CLERK OF SESSION REPORT

MARILYN KREMZAR, CLERK OF SESSION

The position of Clerk of Session is to support the Moderator of Session (the Pastor) in matters pertaining to the Session and to record the minutes of all Session meetings and place them in the permanent record book of the church. All baptisms, weddings, and births are also recorded in the permanent record. Regular Session meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 7pm. At the Pastor's request, the Session joins for dinner prior to the meeting so that he may get to know the Session members better. The meetings are always opened with prayer and devotions leading to the work associated with the programs, business, and governance of the church. There are also occasional special meetings as the need arises. The Session consists of 15 members in three classes of five that serve three year terms and are elected by the congregation. At the current time, the Clerk is an Elder but is not a currently elected member of the Session and cannot vote in Session meetings but can take part in discussions as appropriate.

Elder Ruth Neupauer moved from the area and has been replaced on Session by Elder Shirley Brewster for the Class of 2011.

The reports of the Session committees and statistical summaries appear elsewhere in the Annual Report.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S REPORT
REVEREND DAVID A. ZUIDEMA

It is really hard to believe that my wife, Rita, and I are beginning our fourth year with all of you gracious people. It seems like just yesterday, that a moving truck dropped us off in Cincinnati. We can honestly say that our time with you has exceeded our imaginations and dreams. We have made new friends and experienced growth in our church and in our family. We added a son-in-law last May. Our church has added new members and new passion for the work of Jesus Christ.

So, I have been sitting here trying to capture in one or two words the essence of 2009. What keeps coming back to me is the word metamorphosis. That seems to represent the sense I have of gradual, steady growth. Of gradual, steady renewal. Much like a caterpillar that works its way out of a cocoon. It takes time and effort but slowly a beautiful butterfly emerges. Flying does not occur immediately but slowly at nature's pace. As our Lord leads us, we are testing our wings.

And fly we did during 2009. It began with the blessing of our new Pastor, Rev. Dr. Ed Goode. Pastor Ed and his family moved from Sioux Falls and brought with them energy and joy. God has truly blessed our church and my ministry with the wisdom, grace, and Christ centered, team leadership of Pastor Ed.

Along with many of you 2009 was a year of uncertainty for Rita and me. Church resources were constrained, and I wondered about the strength of our ministry. But early on, God made it clear that He was not resource constrained. We continued an active small group ministry, worshipped at the pool, and retreated as men, women, and young people. We celebrated life and mourned the death of several good friends and members of our church. Our deacons extended themselves with meals, rides, notes, visits to shut-ins, and in so many ways ministered to those in need. Our youth deacon started a Youth Caring Team to compliment our Adult Caring Team. This enables our young people to share their gifts of caring with our church and community.

Throughout 2009, I continued to learn and listen to what God is teaching me about being a pastor. Oh, I have to tell you that I had a terrifically rewarding experience at Calvin Seminary last summer. It was part of my continued education. I spent a week with twenty other pastors from many different denominations. We prayed together, ate together, shared together, and learned new ways to share the good news of Jesus Christ through sermons.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

I also experienced a metamorphosis in the what and who God is calling us to be here at the Presbyterian Church of Wyoming. We thought, prayed, and started ministry under the umbrella of "Being the Church". "Being the Church" for me meant (means) taking what God has given us to the community. And, oh my, have we taken off in our mission ministry. Can you believe that we actually skipped worship one Sunday? Well, what I should really say is that we worshipped in a new, imaginative, and glorious way. We glorified God by taking our worship to shut-ins, soup kitchens, and elsewhere in order that others could experience the hope of Christ. It has been that kind of year. There is a contagious passion and commitment to helping others in our community and around the world.

In last year's annual report, I closed my comments by sharing the following:

"The Old Testament prophet Isaiah captures an attitude I pray for all of us as we begin 2009:

"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

I pray that all of you may experience our Lord Jesus Christ in new and life transforming ways in 2010. I pray that you, along with our church will not only fly but soar "on wings like eagles" as we grow in our relationship with Christ and serve others.

Blessings to you, my family in Christ,

Pastor David Zuidema

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

The Senior Highs met monthly in members' homes for dinner, fellowship and bible study. The evenings were rich with delicious food, thought-provoking devotions and abundant fun.

The Senior Highs also had monthly mission projects. Their primary mission location was the Drop Inn Center in Over the Rhine for which they made dinner for 300, served meals on several occasions as well as donated and decorated a Christmas tree.

The Senior Highs also put their baking skills to work as they made and delivered delicious apple pies to senior members of the congregation.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP (Continued)

This summer the Senior Highs went south for their mission trip to the heart of Appalachia, Sunset Gap, Tennessee. There they rehabbed a home which was badly in need of repair, including new electric and plumbing, paint, carpet, and cool sealing the roof.

This fall the senior high's embarked on an ambitious goal to raise funds for their 2010 mission trip to Cambodia. They will be working to finish a new medical clinic called Mercy Medical Center and is coordinated by Tim and Marji Benadum. Work will include painting, landscaping, other finish work, as well as working with children at an orphanage.

CHILDREN & JR. HIGH MINISTRY

Stephanie Togneri, Director of Christian Education

“God wants us to grow up, to know the whole truth and to tell it in love-- like Christ in everything” Ephesians 4:15 (The Message)

As 2009 comes to a close, I have the opportunity to look back on all of the wonderful activities and programs that made an impact on the members of our congregation and our community. As your Director of Christian Education, I would like to share some of the highlights and the events that have especially touched the lives of our children and Jr. Highs this year.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY – 2009 has definitely been an exciting year for children and Tween ministries! The children learned and enjoyed themselves as they discovered all of the exciting stories and scriptures and the teachers helped to bring meaning to them for their everyday lives.

Sunday School for All Ages: Each Sunday morning during the Sunday School hour, every room in the lower level was busy with excitement and learning as children and youth gathered to study God's Word. The theme for the winter and spring was *Walk With Me* taken from the curriculum Walk with Me that was used in the Preschool-Jr. High classes. Each Sunday the children were encouraged to walk with Jesus as they explored what it meant to be a follower of Christ. This fall the Sunday School has adopted the *Be the Church* theme which took what they had been studying about walking with Jesus and challenged them to take that message outside the church walls! Our Sr. High class also embraced this theme as they used a weekly internet based series entitled LINC which examines scriptures using everyday concepts and current events.

CHILDREN & JR. HIGH MINISTRY (Continued)

The children continued to take this theme to a new level as they looked at ways in which their weekly offering could aid people in our community. Each month their offerings were given to people in need. The Children's Ministry team with input from the students chose various missions of the church to receive the Children's offerings: Heifer Project, Valley Interfaith Food and Clothing Center, Bethany House, and the Freestore Foodbank. In December the children chose to give their offering to our Mission Committee to help offset the cost of gifts for the families on the Giving Tree.

***Special Children's Ministry Opportunities:** In addition to Sunday School, Children's Ministry provides a variety of programs and events that reach out to our children.*

Vacation Bible School: Camp E.D.G.E.(Experience and Discover God Everywhere) was a huge hit this summer with over 102 children and 61 adults participating in an expanded community VBS. We teamed up with our friends from Wyoming Baptist Church for our second successful VBS! The opening and closing times featured puppet presentations, video presentations filmed by our own Service Squad, multimedia, and of course awesome music led by our new Children's Music Director, Angela Kanerva. We lived out the theme all week and even experienced and discovered God at our closing worship service held poolside at the Wyoming Recreation Center.

Super Wednesdays: The Wednesday program for our first–sixth graders continued to flourish. During the winter and spring semester, children participated in a variety of activities on Wednesday nights including recreation, dinner, bible study, music, and arts and crafts. The children's choir participated in many worship services throughout the year and led the five o'clock Family Christmas Eve Service. This fall we introduced a new element to Super Wednesday after dinner called Art in Service. The children were able to reach out in service through the arts and craft projects each week. They sent special candy containers and tissue boxes to our members at Evergreen and Maple Knoll, made fleece scarves for children at Bethany House, and sent cards to members in need. This fall, Veggie Tale Club for our Kindergarteners and younger was introduced after the dinner hour. Our littlest members have enjoyed bible time, videos, and arts and crafts all told by those special veggies, Bob and Larry.

Tween Ministry The 4th-6th Graders met once a month for fellowship or mission projects this year. The group volunteered twice at Matthew 25 Ministries, Crayons to Computers and the Brown County Food and Clothing Center. They were also encouraged to participate in the Super Second Saturdays of Service.

CHILDREN & JR. HIGH MINISTRY (Continued)

Tweens also went bowling, ice skating, and took over the youth space for game days and family nights. They had two successful fundraisers in a Bake Sale and sold pumpkins at Fall Festival. For their summer mission trip they went to Adams and Brown County where they volunteered for two days at the Helping Hands Food and Clothing Center.

JR. HIGH MINISTRY – 2009 was an exciting year of fellowship, fun, faith, and mission exploration for our Jr. Highs. Our church has such wonderful middleschoolers who are committed to each other and their faith. They may not advertise what they believe but if you stand with them for only a brief period of time and listen to what they say, they will show you what it means to be followers of Jesus Christ. It has been a pleasure to work alongside of these youth and also a blessing to work with Bill and Mandy Rice as their advisors.

Jr. High Weekly Opportunities: During the school year, the Jr. Highs met twice a month for fun, fellowship and faith exploration at the church in the youth space.

Jr. High Mission Activities & Trip: Jr. Highs participated in numerous mission projects and service opportunities throughout the year such as preparing College Care Packages, volunteering at the Freestore Foodbank, Matthew 25 Ministries, and an Animal Shelter. The youth also held their annual dinner auction in March with the Sr. Highs and their Parent's Night Out in December. During the summer the Jr. High Youth attended the middle school youth conference at Massanetta Springs Conference Center, in Virginia. Thank you to Mandy (Phillips) Rice and Pastor Ed Goode for going with us on the trip!

Confirmation Classes: In 2009, I have had the pleasure of working with two confirmation classes. Eight youth were confirmed in May of 2009 and five youth are on schedule to be confirmed in May 2010. It is one of the richest blessings of my job to walk with these young people as they examine the Presbyterian traditions and explore the foundation of the Christian faith. It is a journey that leads them to wrestle not only with who they are but whose they are. At the completion of our time, the youth formulated written personal statements of faith that were presented to the Session.

CHILDREN & JR. HIGH MINISTRY (Continued)

SPECIAL FAMILY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES: This year as my areas of responsibilities continued to include adult education (see their report) it was a pleasure to provide a few special opportunities for the entire family:

First Friday Family Fun Nights provided a simple fun way to connect with each other and the church family through games and fellowship. **The Stations of the Cross** during Lent and **The Special Gift** during Advent allowed the families to prepare for the holidays with a holistic hands on opportunity to experience and explore the events leading up to the holiday. **Backpack Blessings Sunday** blessed everyone beginning the new school year.

THANK YOU - I would like to thank all of the members who have faithfully volunteered their time, talents and creativity to share God's Word with our congregation and community. I am very thankful for those who WALKED WITH ME and those who showed all of us how to BE THE CHURCH! Jesus called each one of us to go out into the world to make disciples. Thank you to those who stayed within our church to teach classes, lead programs, and to be faithful witness to the Word. Thank you to those who reached outside of our walls to extend an invitation to learn and to grow.

ADULT MINISTRIES **CHRISTINE BONNER**

Purpose: To provide quality programs for adults that will nurture understanding of our Christian faith and our interactions with each other and the world.

Adult Ed met Sundays in the Founders' Room throughout year. The class typically had 10 to 20 attendees, but periodically increased to as many as 30. Topics ranged from lectures to small group discussions that addressed the foundations of Christianity as well as spiritual growth issues. Socializing took place prior to meetings as well as outside get-togethers.

Facilitators: Brad Etherton / Barbara Lewis

Members: Christine Bonner Carolyn DeYoung, Jim Falkenstine, Ruth Neupauer, Bill Rusk, Roberta Sprague, Stephanie Togneri

2009 Topics:

The Shack by William P. Young

"Spiritual Disciplines" series

Simply Christian by N. T. Wright

"What Does God Want Us To Do?", "Healthcare" and "China" by Bill Ostrander

"Modern Parables" series

"Be the Church"

ADULT MINISTRIES (Continued)

"Christian Art & Music" by Dr. Henry Limouze
"Christian Carols & Hymns" by Mary Pennycuff
Advent
Movie "A Christmas Memory"

The Parenting Class was led by Jim Falkenstine and met Sundays on the third floor during the school year. The class typically drew up to 20 attendees whose children ranged in age from elementary school through high school. The goal of this class was to identify effective means for parents to instill Christian values in their children. The class is much like a small group that meets its members' individual needs and participates together in various church and outside activities.

2009 Topics:

"Boundaries for Kids" series by Cloud/Townsend
Kevin Lehman series
"Be the Church"
"Making Marriage Work" by Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott

The **Adult Ministries committee expanded scope in late in 2009** from two separate one-hour classes offered during the Sunday morning Christian Education time to coordinate with the overall work and teachings of the Church. This was facilitated with input from Ed Goode, David Zuidema and Stephanie Togneri. Additional meetings are planned for 2010 to continue this work and how it might relate to teachings in Simple Church by Rainer & Geiger.

Adult Ministries learned about other adult programs that meet weekly and monthly within our church such as Women's Group, Presbyterian Women, Day Circle, Women's Prayer Group, Men's Bible Study, Super Wednesday, etc. The committee supported Super Wednesday by participating in "Common Grounds" after dinner and offering a small group during the fall called "When the Game Is Over, It All Goes Back in the Box" by John Ortberg.

Of special note were two very successful retreats that deepened adult spiritual growth and community. The **Men's Retreat** was held at Bartels' Farm Feb. 27 – March 1, 2009 and is highly anticipated again in Feb., 2010. The Women's Tea on May 3, 2009 launched the theme and excitement for the **Women's Retreat** that was held at Bartels' Farm Nov 13-14, 2009. Plans include an expanded Women's Retreat in April 2010. The retreat events were developed and led by very dedicated, energetic and creative committees.

Thank you to all those who researched materials, were teachers and leaders, attended classes, socialized, organized, planned, and brainstormed. Adult Ministries looks forward to 2010!

NATURAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

LISA NOCKS

This year Natural Church Development continued to work in places where there were opportunities for growth at PCW according to the survey from several years back. After working with small groups, we turned our focus to Passionate Spirituality. We spent time wrestling with what it means to be Passionately Spiritual and how to encourage that in others. NCD decided to focus on prayer and Spiritual Gifts.

Prayer

Prayer Challenge--Over the summer, NCD challenged the congregation at PCW not to take a vacation from prayer. We recognized that during the summer, many families leave town to vacation and may not attend PCW as regularly as they do in the fall. We invited the congregation to participate in a prayer challenge, to pledge how many moments they would spend in prayer during the summer months. We invited people to think of prayer time as not just a listing of what needed to be done, but a conversation with God, listening and lifting to God all that was in our hearts.

By the end of the summer, our congregation prayed over 2,000 hours over the summer, or about 84 days. We are hoping that many have developed a richer prayer habit that continues to move forward.

Prayer Vigils--To encourage prayer during the mission trips this summer, NCD hosted a prayer vigil for each trip. We invited members of the congregation to gather in the sanctuary at a specific time and pray for the youth that were on various mission trips. There was a vigil for the Senior Highs, the Junior Highs and the Tweens. Each group on the mission trip also set aside the same time during their trip to pray for those at PCW as we were praying for them. Our congregation was joined in prayer while separated by miles. The vigils were not as well attended as we had hoped, but will continue next year with a few changes.

Prayer Partners--While each youth was away on a mission trip this summer, they had a prayer partner. In this partnership they prayed for each other during the mission trip. There were no problems finding willing members of the congregation to pray for our youth as they were the hands and feet of God.

Spiritual Gifts

While our prayer activities were in full swing, we began our discussion of Spiritual Gifts. Our goal is NOT to have another time and talent survey, but to really look at how God has blessed us each individually and as a church. To that end, NCD spent time reviewing several different spiritual gift tests and studies and ultimately selected one. As the year drew to a close, NCD was putting together a schedule for Spiritual Gifts Study and discernment for the congregation of PCW. Several groups were gathered to test the study and test to look for ways to improve the process. As we go forward, there will be a six week group, an e-group and several shorter variations of the Spiritual Gift discernment process.

NCD will work in 2010 on the last area identified for growth by the Natural Church Development survey, Passionate Spirituality

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

JOYCE MUELLER & JIM FALKENSTINE

Members: Dana Bronner, Catherine Burke, Jim Falkenstine, Bob Graeter, Ed Hunter, Rob Keelor, Celia Klug, Julia Kinlaw, Sue Lewis, Susie Limouze, Duff Melville, Joyce Mueller, Terrie Naeve, Sandy Palmer, Mary Jo Peairs, Becky Reynolds, Bill Rusk, Rose Slemmons, and Kathy Wilson

From the Book of Order: “The officer of Deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of sympathy, witness and service after the example of Jesus Christ.” At PCW the Deacons continue to provide a caring ministry to members of our congregation and to the community in times of transition, difficulty and happiness.

Our Ministries:

Session: We report our activities to Session as well as report the activities of the Session back to our members.

Caring Team: On a regular basis, we visit our members and others, who are homebound or live in retirement or nursing homes. This subset of the Deacons meets separately, once per month to plan their activities and to discuss ways to improve this outreach.

Bread Delivery: A loaf of home baked bread is delivered to visitors attending one of our weekly worship services to welcome them to our church and encourage their return.

Flower Delivery: Flowers from worship services and special services are delivered to members who are probably in need of a “special thought”.

Meals: Special meals are delivered to persons who are undergoing challenges, ranging from the birth of a baby, to a family sickness, to the death of a loved one.

Transportation: Deacons provide transportation to persons needing this assistance in order to see a doctor, attend a worship service, or other important appointment.

Note Cards: Personal notes are written and sent to members who are celebrating, suffering or just needing a thank you.

Ushering: Deacons are responsible for all ushers at all worship services.

Funerals: Deacons provide receptions, if requested, for funerals taking place in the church.

Visitor Follow Up: Deacons follow up with regular visitors to help them become familiar with our church and to welcome them toward becoming members.

Personnel Committee: Deacons provide a member to the Personnel Committee to assist with this important function.

Nominating Committee: Deacons provide a member to the Nominating Committee to assist with this important function.

Youth Deacon: The Youth Deacon serves as a bridge between the Deacons and the youth of our church. The current Youth Deacon is also head of the Youth Caring Team, a group of senior high school student in our church who perform their own outreach ministry.

Meetings: Normally, the Deacons meet the Third Monday of each month at 7:30pm in the Church Parlor.

FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

LESLIE MOWRY

This new Session Committee was formed in 2008 in order to have one group responsible for the increasing number of meals and receptions served in the church (excluding funerals, which are handled by Deacons.) F&F currently has 13 members: Leslie Mowry -Chair, Mary Jo Peairs, Beth Binasio, Marilyn Kremzar, Jan Bartel, Marilyn Hunter, Janie Murphy, Betty Pease, Barb Marty, Sue Moriarty, Becky Preslar and Kathy Wilson. This group plans the Super Wednesday and other meals, purchases ingredients, sets the tables, cooks the meals, and helps pack up any leftovers to go to St. Johns Church (Reading), for their Thursday dinners for the poor. For SW dinners and other full meals, we ask for a donation (\$7/adult, \$3/child, or kids pay \$30 SW semester fee which includes meals) to cover costs. Since our cooks often donate some or all of the ingredients, this nominal donation helps us to break even or make a small profit, which then goes to the church's operating budget.

Beyond our core group, we have several other team members who help out regularly or when needed, including: Clark Stevens, Kay Landers, Sandy Palmer, Rita Metcalfe, DeeDee Uhle, Rita Zuidema, and others.

Dean Gaudin and Don Peairs coordinate the weekly clean-up crew, who wash dishes, help pack up leftovers, and clean up the kitchen. This group regularly includes Howard Constable, Howard Renner, Jim and Caryl Osterhus, Terry Marty, Larry and Marianne Oestreich, Bill Slemmons, Jeff Stouffer, and others.

Finally, each week a church group donates dessert, which keeps our costs down and gets more people involved in the preparations. Groups or individuals that contributed in 2009 included: the Staff, Chancel Choir, Wyoming Ringers, "Glendale Group", Kay Landers, Wednesday Men's Bible Study, Thursday Women's Book Study, Sr. High Youth, Confirmation Class, Adult Ed, Parenting Class, Food & Fellowship, Visions, Super Wednesday kids, Deacons, NCD, Amy Snow and the little Z's, and Arts & Acquisitions.

This year we served 24 Super Wednesday dinners and a Maundy Thursday light supper, several Sunday morning receptions and brunches. The Deacons provided delicious scones and other delights for our annual meeting. Super Wednesday attendance has averaged over 150 per week!

With three Sunday Worship Services making it difficult for all of our members to come together at one time on Sunday, these Wednesday evening gatherings provide a wonderful venue for young and old to gather, enjoy a healthy and delicious meal, and renew old and new friendships in the Lord. Come and join us for dinner Wednesdays, serving from 5:30 to 6:15 or so.

MISSION TEAM

SKIP AND DENISE KOESTERMAN

Brief History and Charge: The first Mission Team meeting was held on November 19, 2008. At this first meeting, we created our Mission Statement which read, “Our mission is to create and inspire opportunities of discipleship and service to others”

“Follow the Money with our time and talent”: In the past our church gave to over 30 organizations. Some of our giving was for very good reasons while other giving was more of a product of tradition. One of our projects for 2009 was a thorough analysis of each organization and reaching out to them to find opportunities for our church to share our time, talents as well as our money. The results of our efforts resulted in 2009 support to 8 of the organizations from the past. In addition, we added 5 organizations that we supported financially as well as with our time and talent. The Mission Team will continue this approach moving forward with all organizations.

“An Amazing Year”: Thanks to your efforts we were able to truly live our Mission Statement. The Mission Team did a great job in creating opportunities for discipleship and service and our church responded to the call and became true disciples in service to others. Here are some highlights:

- There were 8 Super Second Saturdays of Service: We had between 10 and 43 participants and on average 25 members at these events.
- The Hoxworth Blood Drive was another success with 46 units of blood given.
- On October 12th we staged our biggest event, with “Don’t go to Church, be the Church” There were 240 participants sent out to perform God’s work at 11 different locations.

“The Numbers”: In 2009, there were **493** participants and **36** people offered their leadership for Mission Events. This translated to **1,623** man hours from the Presbyterian Church of Wyoming to those in need here and abroad. Truly Amazing! This does not include the time of the Mission Team in creating and organizing all of these activities.

“Thanks”: Due to your efforts our church has made a difference with their time and talents as well as our financial support. Your discipleship and service truly made a difference in the lives of people who needed it the most.
The Mission Team thanks all of you for a great 2009!

“Our Challenge”: Your Mission Team wants to take our efforts to the next level. It will require your time, talents and leadership so that we can fulfill our goals and objectives. You are welcome to join the Mission Team for meetings whenever you are available. We need members that are willing to organize a single event. As always, we need your time and talents at each project. Prayerfully, challenge yourself to become a better disciple in 2010.

BENEVOLENCE DISTRIBUTION FOR 2009

Higher Judicatories		Special Offerings	
Per Capita	<u>\$13,690.00</u>	One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,784.90
General Assembly	<u>14,020.00</u>	Benadum/Myhre Offering	4,315.00
Presbytery of Cincinnati	<u>4,540.00</u>	Thanksgiving	1,365.00
Synod of the Covenant	<u>176.50</u>	Christmas Joy	2,131.00
Total	<u>\$19,826.50</u>	Total	\$9,595.90
Congregation Designations		Session/Mission Designations	
Boys & Girls Club	<u>\$50.00</u>	Benadum	\$1,000.00
Crayons to Computers	<u>50.00</u>	Be The Church	2,541.33
Hospice of Cincinnati	<u>100.00</u>	Bible Chapter Delhi Hills	200.00
Jobs Plus	<u>150.00</u>	Crayons to Computers	300.00
Llanfair Future Care	<u>100.00</u>	Galloway Walk of Hope	200.00
Maple Knoll	<u>100.00</u>	Glad House	300.00
Matthew 25 Ministries	<u>45.00</u>	Habitat for Humanity	500.00
Our Daily Bread	<u>50.00</u>	Rivers of the World	600.00
PCW Women's Circle	<u>50.00</u>	World Harvest Mission/Myhre	5,000.00
Pool Subsidy	<u>2,500.00</u>	Wyoming Youth Services	1,500.00
Rivers of the World	<u>50.00</u>	Soup Kitchen	790.30
Salvation Army	<u>300.00</u>	Total	12,931.63
Soloists	<u>\$10,000.00</u>		
Tender Mercies	<u>50.00</u>		
VBS Costumes	<u>160.00</u>		
VIFCC	<u>1,750.00</u>	GRAND TOTAL	66,234.03
Wyoming Youth Services	<u>25.00</u>		
World Harvest Mission	<u>350.00</u>		
Total	<u>15,880.00</u>		
Expense Allocation	8,000.00		

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
KAY LANDERS

We have been blessed with twelve new members this year plus our confirmation class which was led by Stephanie Togneri. In addition we had 3 members attend as a refresher and/or reentry. Another class of four will be completed before you read this report. We are very happy to have this growth within our church membership. Our new members come with enthusiasm and time and talents. We welcome them and expect to share with them as we all grow in deeper and broader faith in Jesus and God. While everyone is invited to participate in PCW, the additional commitment means your contact information is available in the membership directory. You receive the directory, e-mails, and will be contacted more often because you have indicated that you wish to fully engage with the PCW church community. Actually, only members receive the annual report so you may use this information to discuss possible membership with a frequent visitor and to know that we all have rights to ask questions of the membership committee or attend a membership class at will.

WYOMING PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
ROBERTA SPRAGUE

It was a year of transition for Wyoming Presbyterian Women. Dot Uhle chaired the Day Circle until the end of 2009 when Lamie Engleman became chair of the Day Circle. The Evening Circle continued under the leadership of Marilyn Hunter until June when it disbanded. The Workshop, which, for years has made quilts for Children's Hospital and has sewed for other needs is winding down. The Rummage Sale, chaired by Kay Landers raised \$7295.20.

WPW BENEVOLENCE GIVING

Campus Crusade	\$300.00
City Cure	\$300.00
Deacons' Soup Fund	\$600.00
Glad House	\$500.00
Llanfair Auxiliary-Life Care Fund	\$100.00
Rivers of the World	\$500.00
Tender Mercies	\$500.00
Valley Interfaith Food & Clothing Center	\$1,000.00
World Harvest Mission (Myhre Family)	\$500.00
World Team (Benadum Fund)	\$500.00
Wyoming Lads & Lassies Community Preschool	\$500.00
Wyoming Presbyterian Youth	\$500.00
Wyoming Presbyterian Mission Committee	\$400.00
Wyoming Youth Services	\$500.00
Young Life (Local)	<u>\$500.00</u>

TOTAL

\$7,200.00

**WPW TREASURER'S REPORT
JILL MARTIN**

2009 Receipts

Day Circle	\$75.00
Rummage Sale	7,295.20
Flower Fund	1,468.00
Interest on Checking A/C	65.42

Total Receipts \$8,903.62

2009 Disbursements

A. Organizations

Programs	\$160.00
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B. Local Church

Sanctuary Flowers	1,761.50
Church Décor	0.00
Gifts	<u>125.00</u>
	\$1,886.50

C. Contribution

Benevolence Giving	<u>7,200.00</u>
	\$7,200.00

Total Expenditures \$9,246.50

Check book balance as of 12/31/08	\$3,130.50
Receipts	8,903.62
Savings Account closed 10/15/09	<u>6,829.93</u>
	\$18,864.05
Less Expenditures	<u>9,246.50</u>

Check Book Balance as of 12/31/09 \$9,617.55

PERSONNEL

RICH UHLE

In 2009 the personnel committee celebrated the first year of full staffing levels in quite some time. With the arrival of the Goode family WPC prospered in the joy of two full time pastors. Angela Kanerva was hired as Children's Music Director and served with great success at Vacation Bible School and began the school year with us in September. Delfina Benites was hired as custodian, and her hard work has been a great asset. We enjoy seeing her family included in our church family. They faithfully attend many church functions. Lads and Lassies Pre School has our classrooms full and bustling during the week. We commend Cindy Wetzel and her staff for their fine teaching and dedication to the children of Wyoming. Rhonda Books and Debbie McConnaughey keep the building, grounds, and office sparkling and running efficiently. Stephanie Togneri is in her 4th year as Director of Christian Education, and her faith and commitment are greatly appreciated. Bill Seale, Mike Tash, Janet Mangels, Mary Pennycuff, the Chancel Choir and the Visions Band keep us in touch with the Spirit with excellent music every season.

FACILITY REPORT

RHONDA BOOKS

PCW has continued to be a safe and welcoming place for Sunday Worship, our many other events and also for the many groups that use our facility. In efforts to combat the spread of viruses and promote a healthy hand hygiene program, Hand Sanitizers were placed in various locations throughout the building to help to stop of the spreading of germs. Debbie McConnaughey, our maintenance manager also confirmed that the cleaning product that is being used at PCW is the best to kill bacteria, viruses, including H1N1.

The only major project in 2009 was the stained glass windows. Our first stained glass window was removed cleaned, repaired and resealed this past year. The second one is now in the same process. Precautions are being taken to limit the dust and particles while the window is being removed.

We are blessed as we continue to be able to limit the need of outside contractors. The summer contract for the mowing of the grounds was not renewed this past year to save money. Thanks go to Matt Fischer and Jim Osterhus for their help in the start of the mowing season. Thank you also to Debbie for taking over this job when Matt and Jim we no longer available. Thanks again to the Volunteers who did a wonderful job of spreading the mulch this year, pulling weeds as usual and this year they raked the leaves also. The support of all the volunteers, including the office volunteers once again has been a wonderful help!

I look forward with you to another blessed year at PCW!

ARTS AND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE
PATSY GAINES, CHAIR

The Arts and Acquisition Committee is to provide advice and counsel to the Session and the Building and Grounds Committee on the artistic appropriateness of additions, replacements, and alterations to the church plant or its furnishings.

The Committee has met monthly and

- has started an electronic inventory of items (old record books, session minutes, etc)
- is in the process of cataloging via video objects throughout the church
- developing a 'donors form' for items given to the church
- arranged for 'draft dodgers' along hallway doors and parlor windows
- purchased and placed umbrella stands in appropriate areas of church
- viewed donated items for acceptance

Betty Pease

Lou Gaudin

Rita Zuidema

Marion Cooley

Patsy Gaines, Chair

MUSIC MINISTRY
BILL SEALE

The Music Ministry experienced a wonderful year of growth in 2009. The Chancel Choir added some new members as did the Wyoming Ringers. Holy Week began with a jubilant Palm Sunday and we again had a Tenebrae Service after a year's absence. The only change was the day, which was Good Friday. Easter, with the brass quintet, timpani, organ and choir made the day a celebration in our church. Once again, the brass was funded by the Mary Parker Dennis Endowment fund. Our bell choir, under the masterful direction of Mary Pennycuff, grew and provided us with intricate, thrilling sounds. We are fortunate to have the quality soloist/section leaders to give our choir stability and leadership on a weekly basis. We appreciate the time and care given to provide us with such beautiful singing. Some of these singers are students at the Conservatory of Music. We have become family to them, and the choir is truly a group of individuals caring for one another. At the end of the summer, Norman Garrett, our baritone soloist for three years, told us he would be moving to Philadelphia to attend the Academy of Vocal Arts for an Opera Diploma. Of course, we were saddened to have him leave, but thrilled for his future. I am sure we will see him flourish with his magnificent voice in years to come. We will miss him. Our soloists do more for this church than lead and sing in choir. They become an important part of both weddings and memorial services when they present music that is inspiring or comforting.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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So many members have commented on how the solos in special services have meant so much to them. The same goes for our organist and all of the pianists who help us out on a regular basis. Music is such a part of the church life.

In 2009, our Children's Music Director, Kathleen Holmes, resigned in the spring, leaving us wondering where our next staff member would come from. Angela Kanerva is a music educator in Cincinnati and sings with me in the professional choral group, Cincinnati Camerata. I asked her if she might be interested in the position, knowing she was totally qualified. She told me that she would consider it and later that summer, she was assisting Stephanie Togneri with Vacation Bible School! Stephanie was thrilled with her work. We offered the job, and she accepted! The children have grown so much since the beginning of the fall. Angela knows how to get the kids to sing without yelling and is rapidly teaching them to use the instruments we purchased about 15 years ago. She has so many goals set for the children of our church, and we are so very blessed to have her be a part of our church family.

We are also blessed to have such a wonderful organist as Janet Mangels. Her artistry and commitment to excellence never ceases to amaze me. She managed to play the entire Advent season with a broken foot and few people even knew about it. We look forward to more wonderful hymn introductions, offertories and organ repertoire presented to the glory of God.

During the summer, we again had our Summer Choir. Summer is a time when many families leave town to vacation, but we had a nice sized choir for June and July.

In the fall of 2009, we began again with renewed spirit and energy. Our choir is growing in numbers and also in the ability to be musical and to communicate. Our Advent/Christmas Concert for the Valley Concert Series was particularly moving this year. Earlier in the season, our Valley Concert Series began the season by featuring our soloists and some guest artists in an evening of Opera Arias and Scenes. They took no fee so that the funds donated all went to support the outreach of the series to people in the Wyoming community. The singing was glorious and thrilling. In our ministry, we are blessed to continue to give so willingly to the glory of God.

VISIONS' MUSIC MINISTRY

MIKE TASH

2009 marks Michael Tash's 5 years of Service to PCW. Our time has truly been filled with many blessings and challenges for all involved in the **Visions Worship Band**. We have had many opportunities to lead worship in our church and several chances to share our gifts and talents with our community. We currently have six volunteer singers that participate on a regular basis as well as five professional musicians that have committed themselves to be a part of ALL that Visions Worship Band's engagements.

A special thank you for the great efforts of our tech's, **Harry Kinlaw** and **Gene Waldron**.

We maintained our schedule of events this year that included:

- Weekly **Worship in Great Room** at 9am Sunday
- Lead Worship Service at **Church at the Pool**. (Sundays of July)
- Special Music during Advent "**The Promise**"
- Provide musicians and attend "**Dayspring/Albrecht Worship**"
- Lead Worship Service at **Wyoming Baptist Church**
- Tech support for **Revive Women's Fellowship**
- Substitute **Children's Music** Leader

New events this year:

- Lead Worship Service at **Drop In Center Downtown**
- Coordinate and perform at **Wyoming Teachers Appreciation Dinner**
- Coordinate and perform at **SC3 Foundation Fund Raiser**
- Host and Sponsor **VLADA Concert**
- Coordinate and perform **PCW Youth Gabby Fund Raiser**

Our prayer for 2010 is that God will continue to allow us to share THE GOOD NEWS of God's love through Jesus Christ by the use of our gifts in music to ALL the Nations. That Journey must begin right here in Wyoming.

We are planning **July at the pool** again this year as well as "**Gospel Music**" Services throughout the year to encourage more diversity of Worship and Worshipers. We believe that by enthusiastically embracing these opportunities, we will challenge our fellowship to welcome more of our community and in doing better represent "The Kingdom" of heaven on earth.

We hope to capture the spirit and enthusiasm of **Visions Worship Band** with a live **recording/video** this year. We will support and provide space for a "**Young Visions Band**" to promote growth in worship leadership.

We will also accept additional invitations to perform in Worship and Community events as we are able with continued prayer and support from PCW.

Lads and Lassies Community Preschool

MARTY LONG

The Lads and Lassies Community Preschool Advisory Committee has held monthly meetings, with the exception of December, and report smooth operations. Gordon Dennis has replaced Mary Jo Peairs as our Treasurer, but she remains on the Committee. We are solvent.

Other committee members include:

Marty Long – Chair

Randy Nocks

Barb Marty

Sue Moriarty

Amy Spera

Jennifer Martz

Stephanie Togneri

We are now giving partial scholarships to seven students and will need to add money to this fund for the 2010-11 school year if the requests for aide are as great.

Cindi Wetzel has continued to serve as Director with good leadership. She has encouraged her staff to continue to develop professionally, and has been networking with other programs. Our preschool is becoming a model for the Reggio Emilio approach to learning and exceeds the standards of the Ohio Regulatory agencies.

Our church can be proud of the contributions Lads and Lassies Community Preschool has made to the families it serves.