

Church of the Redeemer

Episcopal
145th Annual Parish Meeting
In-Person and
via Zoom
Meeting
January 23, 2022

Our Mission Statement

The Church of the Redeemer sees its primary mission

- *To Live a life of faith in the God who loves and cares for everyone.*
- *To Follow in the example and teaching of our Lord, Jesus Christ.*
- *To Share God with the world, through our words and actions.*

To Live, To Follow, To Share God

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Minutes of the 144th Annual Meeting of the Church of the Redeemer

January 24, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Melinda Artman on January 24, 2021, at 12:30 PM by Zoom. There were 25 parish members in attendance.

The meeting began by Rev. Artman reviewing what was needed to have a quorum. By the Canons, we need 25 participants or 10% of eligible members. We have 40 eligible members. For our meeting we have 25 members in attendance.

Annual Meeting Minutes 2020: It was moved by Bruce Carpenter, seconded by Deb Zurn to approve the 143rd Annual Meeting minutes. The motion carried with no discussion.

Nominating Committee:

There are two Vestry members retiring-Linda Murrelle, Doreen Marshall, and the vacancy from Chuck Preston's resignation. Linda Murrelle, Alice Bennett, and Doreen Marshall have agreed to run. There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made by Jeff Watson to close the nominations and seconded by Bruce Carpenter. It was moved by Jeff Watson, seconded by Betsy Schumacher to direct the Secretary to cast one ballot for the election of Vestry members. The motion carried.

Parish Register: Reviewed and no discussion.

Priest-in-Charge Report:

Rev. Artman had many to recognize for their service to the church. She started with a thank you to all who have continued to participate in worship and continued to support Redeemer throughout the last year. She continued with a thank you to Linda Murrelle, Bruce Carpenter and Jeff Watson for all they have done in the last year to keep our church running through these unprecedented times. A thank you was sent out to Hazel Hunt for her dedication to her service to Redeemer and wished her the best of luck in her retirement. Thank you to Phoebe Marshall for her leadership with Altar Guild. Deb Zurn was thanked for her service with organizing sponsors for the Community Supper. Jerry Evans, Marcella Chaykosky and Nina Seebeck were all thanked for their continued help with making each week's service run smoothly. The last thank you went out to all who have helped with fundraisers throughout the last year.

Rev. Artman continued with an explanation of the journey that the Vestry has taken to restore Redeemer's stained-glass windows. Willet-Hauser was chosen to complete the restoration project. A capital campaign will begin in the near future to raise the funds over the next three years, to complete this project.

There were no questions about the remainder of Rev. Artman's report.

Senior Warden's Report: Reviewed and no questions.

Junior Warden's Report: Reviewed and no questions.

Financials:

Bruce Carpenter, Treasurer, began by saying we had a good year. 97% of the budgeted pledges were covered. Special day offerings tripled for the year. We ended the year with a 5% to the good.

Bruce then explained some specific parts of the Budget-Expense side: The Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) helped us

stay in the black for the year. Bruce went on to explain that as of now he does not think that Redeemer would qualify for this again because you must show a 25% decrease in income. He is continuing to research this program and will continue to keep the Vestry informed.

Assets were the next area highlighted. It was a good year for the stock market. We have almost \$1 million in assets.

Bruce then presented the annual budget. We have \$20,000 projected deficit at this time. This is why Bruce is continuing the pursuit of the PPP funds.

There was no further discussion of the Treasurer's Report.

Memorial Committee: Reviewed and no questions.

All Saint's Chapel Columbarium: Reviewed and no questions.

Souper Bowl Sunday: Reviewed and no questions.

Valley Food Pantry: Reviewed and no questions.

Rummage Sale: Reviewed and no questions.

Community Supper: Reviewed and no questions.

Saint Mary's Guild: Reviewed and no questions.

Alter Guild: Reviewed and no questions.

Sunday Ministries: Reviewed and no questions.

Choir: Reviewed and no questions.

Rev. Artman made a motion to adjourn the Zoom meeting, seconded by Deb Zurn to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doreen Marshall

Clerk of Vestry

Nominating Committee Report 2022

In keeping with Diocesan canons and by-laws, all parish officers (wardens, clerk, and treasurer) serve one-year terms and are appointed by the Vestry (as opposed to being elected by the congregation).

Wardens must also be elected to a three-year Vestry term. The clerk and treasurer MAY be elected to the Vestry or be appointed by the Vestry. If they are simply appointed, they do not serve as Vestry members. Without the Bishop's express permission, family members may not serve simultaneously on the Vestry or as officers nor can family members of parish staff.

Current Vestry	Elected	Term Expires
Jeff Watson	2019	Jan 2022
Bruce Carpenter	2019	Jan 2022
Betsy Schumacher	2019	Jan 2022

Debbie Zurn	2020	Jan 2023
Margaret Cole	2020	Jan 2023
Ruth Barber	2020	Jan 2023
Linda Murrelle	2021	Jan 2024
Doreen Marshall	2021	Jan 2024
Alice Bennett	2021	Jan 2024

Parish Officers: Linda Murrelle, Senior Warden; Jeff Watson, Junior Warden; Doreen Marshall, Clerk; and Bruce Carpenter, Treasurer.

Nominees: Jeff Watson, Betsy Schumacher, and Diane Siebecker. Nominating Committee: Retiring Vestry members with Senior Warden and Rector. There are three vacancies for a three-year term. Voting will be by poll in the event of a contested election. Nominations from the floor of the Annual Meeting are always accepted with the stipulations that the proposed candidate is eligible for election. Eligibility requirements for participating in the Annual Meeting as well as running for Vestry include being at least 18 years of age, regularly attending worship, being a regular contributor for the six months preceding the meeting to the support of the parish and being present at the meeting. If someone is nominated from the floor, please ensure that the candidate(s) is willing to serve if elected.

Parish Register Report

YEAR	2019	2020	2021
Total Baptized Members	181	177	91*
Average Sat./Sun. Attendance	46		31
Easter Attendance	137	**	**
Christmas Attendance	136	***	56
Marriages	1	0	1
Confirmations	0	0	2
Baptisms	1	0	0
Funerals	8	5	6

Apples-to-apples comparisons continue to be impossible this year as the pandemic changed our operations from in-person worship to virtual worship, and to a blend of in-person and virtual worship.

* In 2021, the Baptism records were more carefully reviewed, and 91 active members were counted.

** Easter for both years was virtually conducted; see chart below.

*** Christmas was virtually conducted in 2020 and blended in 2021.

Virtual Attendance

YEAR	2020	2021
Saturday Live	10	16
Saturday 24 hours later		70
Sunday Live	17	33
Sunday 24 hours later	Not tracked	87
Wednesday Live	3	5
Wednesday 24 hours later	Not tracked	47
Christmas 24 hours later	155	150
Easter 24 hours later	283	133

NUMBER OF IN-PERSON SERVICES IN 2021

Saturday/Sunday Holy Eucharist: 62

Sat./Sun. Morning or Evening Prayer: 4

VIRTUAL-ONLY SERVICES IN 2021

Sat./Sun. 39 Wed: 16

Rector's Report

When you pass through waters, when you walk through fire, they shall not overwhelm you nor consume you, I will be with you. [Paraphrase Isaiah 43:1-5]

Dear Friends in Christ:

2021 was dominated by the pandemic. Throughout this unusual year, we have demonstrated again and again our resiliency and our adaptability to the circumstances we find ourselves in. As noted by the Prophet Isaiah, we may have passed through some really tough times, yet we are confident that the Lord has been with us every step of the way. And while pride may be one of the seven deadly sins, I am proud of how well this parish family has held together, often with a good will and positive disposition. We have tried new things together and endured, if not enjoyed, some of the necessary changes that keep us safe.

One of the new things we tried was the Annual Meeting via an on-line meeting platform. Using this platform allowed us to carry on our necessary temporal tasks of electing members to Vestry and receiving the report on prior year activities. We proved that where there is a will, there is a way.

During our shutdown, using Zoom as our on-line meeting platform allowed our Vestry to meet monthly. It also allowed us to join with members of St. John Lutheran Church to examine the Book of Revelation as our Bible study for Lent. Each week, worship happened through the gift of technology, with Nina Seebeck operating an iPad which transmitted services through Facebook and our webpage. On many occasions Nina was also our lector. Along with Marcella Chaykosky, our organist, we were able to lead worship. Through comments on-line it was comforting for me to know that you were with us in worship.

Holy Week began our journey to worshipping in community by gathering in the parking lot, with the Palm Sunday and Easter Service held virtually, and palms and communion distributed immediately after the service concluded to those patiently waiting in their cars. We borrowed St. John's radio station and attempted to transmit the service over the radio with varying degrees of success. Our failures prompted us to get dedicated wi-fi service in the church itself, which has improved the reliability and strength of our broadcast. On a bitter cold Good Friday, a small group gathered to walk the Stations of the Cross at the Epiphany School. By May 2, we began worshipping outside on the lawn. With our portable speaker system, the portable altar, and with the help of some strong men, we rolled the piano out to the sidewalk so we could have music and sing some of our favorite hymns. We even repurposed a tablecloth, so we had waterproof altar hangings the one time it rained! We worshipped this way for six weeks. We finally returned to indoor worship on June 6.

Below are some of the highlights of 2021.

FORMATION

Christian Formation continued in many forms this past year:

- **Sunday School** kept in touch with the children by sending out an Easter packet to all of the children. Our Sunday School children were also invited to take part in virtual Vacation Bible School offered by St. John Lutheran Church. In-person Sunday School resumed in the fall. (See Sunday School Report.)

- **Confirmation** classes were held virtually over the summer with Seminarian Maryann Philbrook and in person, in the fall, with me. In December, Emily and Kayla Marshall were confirmed by our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Kevin D. Nichols.
- **Youth Group** began meeting over Memorial Day weekend with a cookout at my home. Margaret Cole and I then met with interested youth roughly every other week for the rest of the year (Youth Group Report).
- **Bible Study:** In addition to the Bible study on Revelation mentioned above, a nice mix of 20 plus adults met at St. John for nine weeks to study the books of Esther and Ruth in the autumn.
- **Clergy Formation:** The Rev. Arthur Jones, a newly ordained priest, spent the early part of this year being mentored by me. Through our work together, he discerned a call to chaplaincy. Additionally, seminarians Maryann Philbrook and Betsy Sentigar (now a deacon) were supervised by me. My own formation continued with professional development days through the Lutheran Synod and our Diocese.

PASTORAL CARE

Bereaved members received support through a Journey Through Grief booklet series during the first year after the death of a close loved one.

Our Prayer Wall continues to get regular use and we incorporate the requests into all our worship services. We added a “Blue Christmas” tree by the Prayer Wall, so that loved ones could be remembered.

Once we could gather, I did provide home communion to those who asked. With the Valley Clergy Association, I participated in a Pet Blessing with United Valley Presbyterian Church and Blue Christmas held at Waverly United Methodist Church.

STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

With the initial help of Henry Farley, Jim Nobles, Terri House, Beth Paramore, Verlyn Warrington, Nina Seebeck and Bruce Carpenter, a fundraising strategy was devised for our stained-glass windows project. The pandemic made fundraising challenging and we were blessed with a few large gifts, and many, many small gifts that have raised most of the money needed for the windows. Windows that needed historic preservation were removed late in 2020. They returned restored and refreshed in the late spring. Be sure to look at the Te Deum windows – you can see the difference! Work on the remaining windows occurred in late summer. We are within \$15,000 of raising all the money we need for the windows. This is a tremendous blessing.

FUNDRAISING

Rose Carpenter and Linda Murrelle put their heads together and reimagined the Rummage Sale. With help from St. Mary’s Guild and virtually all our active members, mini rummage sales, a bake sale, and other efforts occurred in late summer, early fall. They did a FANTASTIC job. (See Senior Warden’s Report.)

THANKSGIVINGS

Early last year, the Vestry elected me as your Rector. The only difference between a Rector and a Priest-in-Charge is that the latter is term limited. Additionally, mid-year I took on the additional responsibilities with the Diocese as Northern Canon Missioner. With these new responsibilities comes assisting clergy and at the very end of last year we hired the Rev. Scott Harvey as the assistant for both the Church of the Redeemer and St. John

Lutheran Church.

Operationally, we function well due to our staff and many volunteers. As noted above, Marcella enriches our worship with the provision of music on the organ and on the piano. Our Parish Administrator Geraldine (Jerry) Evans is the lubricant that keeps us running without hitches. John Paul Jones does building maintenance when our volunteers can't and keeps a watchful eye on our HVAC systems. Our Vestry is very hands on, always ready to roll up sleeves and pitch in whenever help is need. Our Wardens, Linda Murrelle and Jeff Watson, along with our treasurer, Bruce Carpenter, are here at least weekly, making sure bills are paid and building maintenance issues addressed. Our Altar Guild continue to work to make sure that whatever is needed for worship and to keep worship safe is provided. They have had to adjust to new ways of offering worship. Mary Rhodes and Sherry Gabauer, Altar Guild Co-Directors, like Phoebe Marshall before them, have been wonderful no matter whether the liturgy is regular worship, a wedding, or a funeral.

We continue to have a volunteer grounds crew second to none. Our property is always well maintained, no matter the season and I am grateful for the time spent on keeping us looking like a jewel of the Valley.

We are lucky to have volunteers devoted to our children. Bonnie Garrity, Betsy Schumacher, Gretchen Rentschler, Debbie Zurn, Jessica and Rylee Morrow, and now Emily Garrity keep our Sunday School children engaged. Margaret Cole keeps our Youth Group going for both my parishes.

As I write this, I am less than three months shy of being with you five years. I am delighted to see the Holy Spirit at work in us and in our partnership with St. John Lutheran Church. I look forward to working with Pastor Scott and all of you as disciples of Christ in ministry to the Valley. Together, we continue to find new ways of being the church as well adapt to rapidly changing circumstances. I am in good company.

May God continue to bless us and help us bear fruit for the Kingdom of God.

Faithfully,

Pastor Melinda

The Rev. Melinda M. Artman

Senior Warden's Report 2021

Well once again our Redeemer family has proved that we are unstoppable. COVID-19 you are not going to stop us! We had all hoped that 2021 would be back to normal, but that was not the case. The one bright spot was that we could have in-church services again. The virtual services were great, and they continue for those unable to attend in person, but it is so nice to be able to greet each other in person. We may have to social distance, wear a mask, and have a whole new way of communion, but we are doing it. We are once again together. Thanks be to God!

Other activities have had to undergo changes also. Our Annual Bazaar had to be cancelled as did our rummage sales (as we once knew them). We managed with a lot of hard work to pull off two very successful sales, still following all the COVID guidelines set forth. An added bonus was a cleaner undercroft. YEA! Instead of the Bazaar, we had a one-day bake sale and put out our Christmas items as an added bonus. This was an amazing day as it was a huge success. On a couple of Fridays, we took some items out to the side yard and offered them

to the customers of the Farmer's Market across the street. Once again selling some of the items that had been sitting downstairs for several years. We took some of our better items to "Crooked River" and Deb Twigg has graciously sold them at her weekly auction. We received 90% of the sale price, receiving more than we would have at our own sale. "Business Reimagined".

Community Suppers could still not be held inside the building, so in spite of snow and rain and anything the weather wanted to toss our way, we have been in the parking lot every last Thursday of the month serving take out dinners. We have learned that "where there is a need, we will find a way to meet that need".

Maybe the one biggest bright spot in our year, we managed to complete the restoration of our beautiful stained-glass windows. We had hoped to have some type of reception to lure people in to look at our beautiful church and then feel the need to donate to our Capital Fund for the windows. We were unable to do this, but with letters sent to past parishioners and family members we are very close to reaching our goal. The windows have been returned and installed and look absolutely beautiful. Thank you to all who have made this possible.

Our Sunday School and Youth Group have had their challenges as well but have done everything possible to keep our kids connected. They have good leaders and have been able to start meeting in church again. But they have all proven how flexible they can be, but more importantly how important the church is to them. And we all know they are the future of this church. God Bless!

With all the handicaps set before us our wonderful family not only met our pledge budget, we surpassed it. Hallelujah! I feel very fortunate to be part of this loving, giving family.

In December we were fortunate to gain an assistant for Melinda, as she will become more involved with work for the Diocese. We welcome Scott to our family and look forward to everything this new year will bring us.

I would like to thank everyone for their help during this difficult year. For never giving up and for being able to think outside the "box" to keep us together. You are the very best family, and I am happy to be a very small part of it. Thank you, Melinda, for being our leader and keeping us on the right path mentally, physically, and spiritually. Thank you, Jerry, for keeping the office running and us on track. Thank you, Jeff, for keeping the church and grounds in such good shape. Thank you to Bruce for keeping us on track financially. You are the ones who keep us grounded so that we could survive this madness.

Here's to a healthy, happy 2022! God bless you all!

Linda Murrelle, Senior Warden.

Junior Warden's Report 2021

2021 has proven to be another challenging year due to restrictions caused by the virus. During this time many maintenance projects have been undertaken to keep our building and grounds in good condition. The good news is that our maintenance costs for the year are well under budget.

The parking lot has been sealed-coated in an effort to prolong the useful life of the surface. This coating should last for several years at which time we will consider resurfacing the area.

An inspector was in to check our boiler system and asked that we replace two valves and a vent. We have also replaced a relay for a circulator pump controlling the atrium and office area. In addition, we are in the process of replacing digital thermostats with analog units as they do not require batteries to operate. All of the radiators in the church, sacristy, and atrium have been cleaned and minor repairs have been made keeping our heating system in peak operating order. All the above repairs were made in house.

A brick remediation project took place in the church to prevent further deterioration of the bricks that were damaged by water due to leaking windows that were repaired during our window project. The bricks were coated with a clear liquid specifically designed to stabilize the brick. This was an in-house project.

The air-conditioning unit for the office was recharged and minor leaks were repaired. The flush valves in the

atrium ladies restroom were replaced with new units.

The window crew from Willet Hauser noticed that a downspout adjacent to the main entrance was disconnected causing water to flow under the concrete. The paving blocks were removed, and the downspout was repaired. The paving blocks were then re-set.

There were many smaller electrical, plumbing, and general maintenance projects that were accomplished in house; they are too numerous to list in this report.

Many people gave their time to keep our church in the beautiful condition that it is in today. I would like to thank John Paul Jones for his efforts in that endeavor. I would also like to thank those who mowed our lawn and cleared our sidewalks of snow; your efforts never go unnoticed or unappreciated! A special thanks goes to Glen Murrelle for trimming trees and shrubs around our parking area; you have kept this area in great condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Watson, Junior Warden

Youth Group Annual Report 2021

Happy New Year to all! Wow, what a year we had! I usually start off with that comment due to all that the Youth Group has done, but alas that is not the case here. It is due to the relentless affects from COVID! Melinda and I thought it best to continue to not meet much of the year.

However, on May 23 we said enough and began meeting again, kicking it off with an outdoor picnic at Melinda's home. It was great seeing everyone again and the food was great. We played a game of croquet and just enjoyed the beautiful day and the great company. Thank you, Pastor Melinda, and Nina, for your gracious hospitality. We continued meeting, outdoors, when possible, always following the ever-changing guidelines.

You might remember when you came to worship on Aug. 1 the kind, encouraging messages in chalk on the walks leading us to church. This was our "Random acts of kindness" project. The Youth Group walked around Sayre leaving encouraging words on the sidewalks at the hospital, the library, the firehouse, the theater, the daycare, The Main Link, and of course at our parishes, St. John Lutheran Church (SJLC) and Redeemer. I loved watching the engagement of the kids in this project. And how the encouraging words appeared and how much encouragement we actually got from it! We had the opportunity to walk through the Food Farm Family Festival in the park and cuddled some kittens while we were out walking. It was a great day, even for the kittens. Great idea Melinda!!

We were also invited to the Blessing of the Backpacks and Ice Cream Social held outdoors at SJLC. While I was unable to be there, some of our youth made it and enjoyed the ice cream very much.

On Sept 12 we all went and played a round of miniature golf at BJ's in Chemung and enjoyed some ice cream!! It was a lot of fun!

Sept. 26, we traveled to Chuckster's that had a variety of things to do. The most popular activity was the Mine Sluice for gems. We had two of the kids do the rock climb and the trampoline jumpster. We shot some hoops and of course we had a treat of ICE CREAM and had a really great time. (Do you see a common theme??) In October we enjoyed doing a corn maze. It was a great time. We split into two groups, and I let the kids in my group figure out how to get out as a team. After a bit, they started listening to each other and came together as a group and we found our way out. Definitely a fun time.

In October we went to Waverly Glen for another nature walk with Athens Methodist minister, Rich Hanlon. It is always an eye-opening walk with him leading, and a wonderful opportunity to slow down and get centered in this crazy world.

We also had a presence in decorating for Christmas at Redeemer. Always a wonderful experience. I also want to add what a wonderful job Emily and Kayla Marshall and Rylee Morrow are doing as acolytes at the

Sunday services. It is nothing like we had done before yet they all rolled with it and are always there for their turn and are a wonderful addition to the service. Thank you, ladies.

We have a solid five in our group now. While small in number, I see mighty hearts! They are young but not afraid of all of the changes we have had to endure. I remain so thankful to be able to be a part of this group and look forward to all the places we will go and all of the things we will do. If you know anyone wanting to be a part of this awesome group they need only to be in seventh grade, have an accepting and resilient heart and of course..... like ice cream!!

Thank you, Church of the Redeemer, and SJLC for housing us, supporting us, loving us and holding us in your prayers. We are still here, and we look very forward to times of being more visible, having lock-ins, fundraisers, and meals together.

God Bless you all!

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Cole

Sunday School Annual Report 2021

Due to the pandemic Sunday School in-person classes were not held from mid-March 2020 until September 2021. However, during the months of class suspension, we have worked to stay in touch with the youth and the Sunday School children and the Vacation Bible School participants. To help keep in touch, again for Easter 2021, Easter “packages” were mailed to the students. And the weekly eBlast kid’s material section continues to be a tremendous way to keep the students interested in and connected to the church. This past summer St. John included the Church of the Redeemer’s youth in their virtual Vacation Bible School program. Thank you, St. John for caring.

The Sunday School Kickoff for in-person classes was held September 12, 2021, in the church parking lot under several pop-ups. It was a fun get-together, however only a few kids participated.

In-person Sunday School classes started September 19, 2021. Classes were held from 9:30 AM to 10:45 AM. For the fall semester the lesson programs were a scaled-down mini–Vacation Bible School using a former VBS program called *Barnyard Roundup*; a Halloween mini party and a Halloween lesson; a Thanksgiving program, again adapting an old VBS program; and an Advent program and a Christmas program. All these programs had site set-ups, lessons, games, crafts, music, puppet shows that pertain to the lessons, and take-home snacks. Trying to make the classes interesting and meaningful for the kids is sometimes challenging, but the staff of Betsy Schumacher, Emily Garrity, Rylee Morrow, Jessie Morrow, and Debbie Zurn handle it all in their usual great way each using their own special talents. Thank you.

And thank you to all of you who have helped us with your time and patience, support, and prayers.

Bonnie Garrity

St. Mary’s Guild Reports 2021

Events Report --- Glenda Hinsman

No regular meetings were held due to the pandemic. On October 5, Glenda Hinsman hosted a potluck dinner at her home.

Church of The Redeemer

Treasurer's Report 2021

2022 Budget

Presented to the Annual Meeting January 23, 2021

Funds Received	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	Change
Open Plate Income	\$100.00	\$500.00	\$400.00
Pledges	72,000.00	80,000.00	8,000.00
Special Day Offerings	2,500.00	3,750.00	1,250.00
Investments	52,500.00	53,350.00	850.00
Other Community Giving	5,000.00	1,550.00	(3,450.00)
Altar Income	1,500.00	1,300.00	(200.00)
Sunday School & Youth	120.00	300.00	180.00
Community Supper Income	1,200.00	1,500.00	300.00
Other Parish Income	2,500.00	5,300.00	2,800.00
	\$137,420.00	\$147,550.00	\$10,130.00

Expense	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	Change
Worship and Altar	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Diocesan	23,157.00	22,564.80	(592.20)
Music	8,260.00	9,530.00	1,270.00
Christian Education	1,000.00	750.00	(250.00)
Community Supper	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Outreach	1,200.00	4,700.00	3,500.00
Clergy	56,769.00	48,202.51	(8,566.49)
Parish Administration	19,579.00	21,722.47	2,143.47
Building	44,485.00	44,100.00	(385.00)
DioBeth Loan Interest	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Other Expenses	275.00	1,170.00	895.00
	\$157,425.00	\$157,439.78	\$14.78
Income less Expenses	-\$20,005.00	-\$9,889.78	\$10,115.22

Church of The Redeemer
Treasurer's Report 2021
Receipts & Expenses

Presented to the Annual Meeting January 23, 2021

Funds Received	2021 Actuals	2021 Budget	% of Annual Budget
Plate	\$817.00	\$100.00	717%
Pledges	82,144.88	72,000.00	14%
Special Day Offerings	2,394.00	2,500.00	-4%
Investments	51,380.74	51,900.00	-1%
Other Community Giving	2,032.93	5,600.00	-64%
Altar	1,225.43	1,500.00	-18%
Sunday School & Youth	281.06	120.00	134%
Community Supper	3,250.00	1,200.00	171%
Other Parish income	5,743.80	2,500.00	130%
	\$149,269.84	\$137,420.00	

Expenses	2021 Actuals	2021 Budget	% of Annual Budget
Worship and Altar	\$1,876.22	\$1,500.00	25%
Diocesan	22,309.53	23,157.00	-4%
Music	9,502.00	8,260.00	15%
Christian Education	392.72	1,000.00	-61%
Community Supper	1,061.06	1,200.00	-12%
Outreach	2,958.21	1,200.00	147%
Clergy	55,796.41	56,769.00	-2%
Parish Administration	19,006.88	19,579.00	-3%
Building	38,440.58	44,485.00	-14%
DioBeth Loan Interest	1,928.16	0.00	
Other Expenses	2,791.65	275.00	915%
	\$156,063.42	\$157,425.00	
Income less expenses	-\$6,793.58	-\$20,005.00	

Church of The Redeemer Asset Values 12/31/2020

Current Assets

Checking/Savings	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021
Deposits at 1st Citizens Bank (FCCB)		
Church General Fund Checking	\$35,965.62	\$42,315.60
General Discretionary Fund (Checking)	4,063.65	4,131.35
Guthrie Meyer Discretion Fund (Checking)	7,078.14	7,756.55
Altar Guild (Savings)	8,219.55	8,742.86
Sunday School (Savings)	2,307.63	2,414.86
Youth Group (Savings)	1,403.98	1,404.62
Bereavement (Savings)	313.62	343.82
Capital Funds Account (Savings)	85,408.39	37,609.27
Memorial Fund Account (Savings)	8,804.20	8,808.60
St. Mary's Guild Checking	1,297.43	3,371.46
St. Mary's Guild Savings	5,354.02	3,355.13
Deposits at M&T Bank		
Hollingshead Scholarship Fund	13,207.08	13,210.40
Total Current Assets	\$173,423.31	\$133,464.52

NOTE: St. Mary's checking and savings accounts were moved to FCCB 9/27/2021

Long Term Assets

DIT Assets	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021
Restricted to Discretionary		
DIT Fund 230 Guthrie Discretion	29,043.83	31,916.80
DIT Fund 231 B. Meyer Discretion	11,592.83	12,738.98
DIT Fund 288 Stevens Discretion	11,211.32	12,320.35
Restricted to Music		
DIT Fund 242 Kresge	83,055.98	91,271.75
Unrestricted		
DIT Fund 217 Mary Pack Cummings	\$548,141.06	\$601,684.86
DIT Fund 245 Guthrie/Baker	289,096.09	317,693.07
DIT Fund 289 Stevens General	11,211.32	12,320.35
Total Restricted DIT Funds	134,903.96	148,247.88
Total Unrestricted Funds	848,448.47	931,698.28
Total DIT Assets	\$983,352.43	\$1,079,946.16
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	\$1,156,775.74	\$1,213,410.68

Annual Revenues from Trust Accounts

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021
Dorothy Tozer Miller Memorial Trust	\$3,454.92	\$4,049.04
Ruth Tozer Bixby Trust	\$9,906.30	\$8,169.57
Kresge Trust (DIT account 242)	\$3,249.20	\$3,248.53

Church of The Redeemer
Window Restoration Project
Presented at Annual Meeting
January 23, 2022

Capital Fund Savings Account

1/1/2021	\$85,408.39	
Deposits	38,502.26	Donations, Memorials, Gifts, and Window Adoptions
	12,500.00	Diocesan Compensation
	55.88	Earned Interest
Withdrawals	85,944.00	Willet Hauser payment
	8,750.26	Loan principal
	4,163.00	Parking Lot
12/31/2021	\$37,609.27	

Loan From Diocese of Bethlehem

Originated:	August 25, 2020	
Amount:	\$75,000.00	
Term:	10 Years	
Interest rate:	3.00%	
Payment	\$724.21	Due the 1st of the month
as of 12/31/2021:		
16 of 120 payments have been made totaling:		
Interest	\$2,837.09	
Principal	\$8,750.27	
Total	\$11,587.36	
Leaving a Principal Balance due of	\$66,249.73	

Fundraising

Donations	\$22,658.04
Adoptions	26,900.00
Fundraisers	1,747.16
Long Name Grant	5,000.00
Hollingshead	10,454.97
Memorial Account	5,000.00
Altar Guild (Adopted 2 windows)	1,540.00
DioBeth Compensation	8,337.00
Outstanding Pledges	13,429.00
Total Raised	<u>\$95,066.17</u>
Total Project Cost	\$107,430.00
Funds still needed to meet project cost	\$12,363.83

Discretionary Accounts 2021

The priest has two discretionary accounts available to assist the less fortunate. The Guthrie/Meyer Discretionary Account is limited to parishioners. The Church of the Redeemer Discretionary Fund may be used to assist those in need without regard to affiliation with the parish. Our auditor recommended that the Annual Report contain a summary of the amount of money within the account and a general idea of how the money was spent. Once a month, loose offerings are designated for the Redeemer Discretionary Fund. Interest income from a bequest also funds these accounts.

The Church of the Redeemer Discretionary Fund began the year with \$4,185.05 (11/30/20) and ended the year (through 12/31/21) with \$4,131.35. A total of \$435.50 was spent for hotel rooms for a stranded family with an incapacitated vehicle.

The Guthrie/Meyer Discretionary Account, which is restricted to members of our parish, began the year with a \$7,927.52 balance and ended the year (12/31/21) with \$7,756.55. \$913.71 was spent this year: \$675.50 for utilities and \$238.21 for hotel rooms.

All Saints Chapel Columbarium Report 2021

The All-Saints Chapel Columbarium is located in the undercroft of our church. It is open for meditation whenever the Parish Office is open and by special arrangement at other times. Additional times for visitation may be arranged by calling the Parish Office. Each niche is covered with an attractive brass plate on which a brass name bar is attached. The columbarium was dedicated April 6, 1985. According to the “Functioning Rules” adopted when the columbarium was created, niches are available for purchase by “any Episcopal church member, former member and their relatives.”

The cost of a niche is \$300.00, and the corresponding ash container is either \$18.00 or \$21.00 as there is a slight difference in size in the section of the columbarium. The price of the brass plate and engraving are included in the \$300.00 cost. Applications for reservations for niches are available in the church office. All records of purchases and inurnments are maintained in the church office. Upon purchase of a niche a “Certificate of Ownership” is signed by the rector and a Vestry member and provider of purchase.

Memorial Gifts 2021

We no longer have a functioning Memorial Committee although we do keep track of monetary gifts (and acknowledge them) through the Parish Office. In 2021, we gratefully received Memorial Donations in memory of Victoria Stewart, Jean Babcock, and John Hinsman M.D. Much of the funds were directed to the Stained-Glass Window Restoration Project. Our beginning balance was \$8,804.20, and we ended the year with \$8,808.60. In 2021 we received \$5,000 in memorial donations that went directly to the Stained-Glass Window Restoration Project.

Outreach Programs

St. Mary's Guild Outreach Summary for 2021

Compassion International Child (Uganda)	\$577.00
E&R Community Supper	100.00

Church of the Redeemer - Annual Pledge	2,000.00
Church of the Redeemer - Bereavement Fund	25.00
<u>Episcopal Church Women (Diocese of Bethlehem):</u>	
Book of Remembrance	100.00
Episcopal Relief and Development Fund - Million Dollar Match	100.00
The Bridge "Sleep Out"	250.00
Sayre Historical Society	35.00
	\$3,187.00

Souper Bowl Sunday 2021

Our 22nd year of participation in Souper Bowl Sunday raised \$215.00. This was reported to the National Souper Bowl of Caring to be part of its permanent records of our parish's annual donation history. The entire amount was donated to our Community Supper fund for the purchase of grocery gift cards

Valley Food Pantry 2021

Due to the ongoing pandemic, there were not many donations dropped off in our red wagon to be delivered to the Valley Food Pantry.

Glenda Hinsman

Community Supper 2021

A little different way of serving, but we didn't miss a beat, every month was accounted for. We are the last Thursday of the month and neither snow nor rain kept us from handing out meals in our parking lot. We served from 65 to 80 meals every month. Chicken and biscuits, chili dog casserole, Sloppy Joe's and Goulash were some of the meals served.

We were fortunate this year to receive a couple of very large donations to help with our mission from The Tuscarora Wayne Mutual Group Foundation and Steve Novak. My brother Mark has also donated carry-out boxes and different products needed. I found if I ask him to get something he would order it and not take any money; I tried not to overdo but??? Our parish family was also generous to the cause. A huge thank you to all of the above and to our monthly sponsors. Monthly sponsors who donated \$100.00, provided dessert, and helped distribute the dinners were:

- Sayre Rotary
- Encounter Church
- Strong Women, Strong Bones
- Magnet Nurses

Sayre Christian Church
Milltown American Legion
Boy Scouts
St. Mary's Guild
Vestry

Due to restrictions for COVID-19, Sherrie Gabauer and I did most of the cooking for each of these meals. We try to do dinners that are easy to package, somewhat healthy but mostly filling. I also try to work around specials of the week to keep costs down. I miss being able to talk to them and hear how they are doing. Hopefully we will be able to return to sit-down dinners in 2022.

Linda Murrelle

Rummage Sales 2021

August – Rummage sale to benefit St. Mary's Guild.

September – Rummage sale to benefit St. Mary's Guild.

October – Rummage sale to benefit the church.

November 12 – A reinvented Fall Fair was co-chaired by Rose Carpenter and Linda Murrelle. Baked goods, candy and Christmas items were available for purchase.

Officers of St. Mary's Guild: Glenda Hinsman, President

Rose Carpenter, Treasurer

Linda Murrelle, Secretary

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Hinsman and Rose Carpenter

Liturgy and Worship

Altar Guild 2021

There is no greater spiritual satisfaction than the preparing of The Lord's Table for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Our church was blessed to have Phoebe Marshall as our Altar Guild director for many years. She has decided to step down and Sherry Gabauer and Mary Rhodes are the new directors. Please give Phoebe a big thank you for her many hours of service. She will be missed in this role but continues to serve.

This year our guild purchased a new chalice to accommodate our COVID restrictions. We also adopted two windows to help beautify and preserve our lovely church.

Our church is blessed to have a great devoted group of ladies who each week prepare the Lord's Table for the Holy Eucharist. They are Linda Murrelle, Debbie Zurn, Rylee Morrow, Ruth Barber, Amy Murrelle, Alice Bennett, Rose Carpenter, Phoebe Marshall, Mary Brougham, Mitzi Mohn, and our 5:15 Altar Guild assistant, Jeff Watson. Please appreciate them as much as we do and remember there is always an opening for you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Rhodes & Sherry Gabauer
Co-Directors

Sunday Ministries 2021

Despite the challenges that the pandemic continues to bring to us, we are thankful for the ministry of all the people who serve the parish in liturgical and hospitality roles and are very blessed to have been able to gather again for worship, following COVID-19 protocols of course.

Music at Redeemer 2021

2021 Sunday morning worship services were filled with many blessings. A personal blessing was being able to alternately play the organ and piano each Sunday. The carillon was heard outside along with the beautiful chimes inside.

A special Christmas Eve blessing was hearing Jules Shay play a solo on his French horn. Another Redeemer blessing was having services live-streamed for those who were unable to attend in person. I am looking forward to a 2022 filled with more music and continued blessings.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcella J. Chaykosky
Organist and Pianist

