



# *The Beacon*

## *March 2018*

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### PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

Have you had a chat with the Lord today? No appointment needed, the opportunity is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Keep praying, prayer changes things.

### PRAYER EMPHASIS FOR MARCH

**What are you concerned about in these times of uncertainty?**

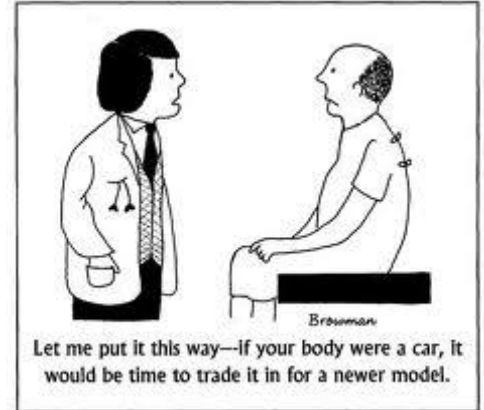
*“Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.”*

**Proverbs 16:3**

## Raised Imperishable

"I'm having a bad hair day." "I could stand to lose a few pounds." "I couldn't sleep last night because I had too much on my mind." These and a host of other common statements remind us of how much we focus on our bodies. We spend a great deal of our time and energy trying to make ourselves look and feel better. From all the cosmetics that are advertised to diet plans that assure us of eventual success to medical efforts to diagnose and heal the various maladies that plague us, we human beings are very much concerned about our bodies. How we look affects how we feel and vice versa. We are a psychosomatic unity, meaning we are embodied souls. The soul or spirit is intertwined with our bodies, so that each affects the other.

Almost no one is completely happy with his or her body. Even supermodels often have concerns about how they look (and given how thin some are, some are rightly concerned!). Perhaps it is because I've been reading and thinking about the "mind-body" problem a lot of late, or perhaps it is because as we near Easter, the day on which we focus on the resurrection of Jesus and what that means for us, I'm concerned that sometimes we don't sufficiently appreciate the significance of that monumental event.



Here's a thought to contemplate: the incarnation of the Son of God *forever changed* the Trinity. From the time of the incarnation of the Word as Jesus of Nazareth, God the Son was embodied in the man Jesus Christ. We may sometimes think that once Jesus died and was raised, that was the end of that embodiment, but it was not! Indeed, the resurrection of Jesus is the firstfruits of the resurrection, the beginning of that which all will experience in him. God the Son did not put off a body in his resurrection; he was given a spiritual body such as we ourselves will have. He was apparently able to materialize and dematerialize, eat and drink in that new body, all with an overwhelming majesty and glory. He was raised from the dead and forty days after his resurrection, after appearing to many with "convincing proofs that he was alive" and speaking about the kingdom of God (Acts 1:3), he ascended bodily into heaven, where he "sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven" (Heb. 1:4) to intercede for us.

One *of us* is there next to God the Father, pleading on our behalf: Jesus, the incarnate and now glorified Son, is there. We are encouraged to "fix our eyes on Jesus" and "throw off everything that hinders us and the sin that so easily entangles us" (Heb. 12:1-2) so that we might stay the course before us in faithfulness, confident that we shall by faith and perseverance be where he is one day, not just as souls, but as embodied souls, those having the same glorified bodies he has. We will be whole, and wholly new, glorified, and fit for heaven. Our focus will no longer be on frail and frustrating bodies, but wholly on God and his glory!

*The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable;  
It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory;  
It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power;  
It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body (I Cor. 15:43).*

Pastor Randy will be on vacation from March 9-17, 2018. Pastor Asher Tunik from Kingswood Methodist will be available for pastoral care during this time. [pastorasher@gmail.com](mailto:pastorasher@gmail.com), 302-738-4478 (church), 302-369-0240 (home), 443-350-5077 (cell).

Pastor's Report for January, 2018  
Prepared for Session Meeting of Feb. 11, 2018  
Rev. Randall Otto

- A. Service of the Lord's Day
  - a. Prepared and led worship on 4 Sundays
  - b. Administered sacrament of Lord's Supper on Jan. 7
  - c. Sunday night activities: finishing up Campus Crusade videos on sharing faith
- B. Visits and Contacts (Pastoral and other)
  - a. visits: 3
  - b. Hospital visits: 4
  - c. Picking up Tammie Brewster each Sun now for worship
  - d. Bressler committal service on Jan. 19
- C. Administration
  - a. wrote the pastor's page, other items for Beacon
  - b. did updating of church website and Facebook page
  - c. moderated session on Jan. 14, congregational meeting on Jan. 28
- D. Community outreach/church connections
  - a. Ash Wed. service at St. Nicholas Feb. 14
  - b. Asher floated idea of doing worship service during Lent for Hope Dining Rm participants and I said I'd be interested, but no further word on that yet.
  - c. I'm team teaching a NT Intro class with Rev. Grace Howard for World Mission College in Baltimore on a few Saturdays through April. FYI

## FROM THE DEACONS March 2018

### Pantry Needs

We'll soon be filling Easter food baskets for local families. Please help us stock the pantry with foods on the list below. Place your donations in a basket in the narthex on any Sunday. *Remember we cannot use outdated foods.*

We will also need turkeys or hams by March 25th. If you can bring a turkey or ham, label it "for deacons," place it in the freezer and notify Sue or Debbie. Thank you.

- Cake mixes
- Cereal
- Fruit (applesauce, etc.)
- Jelly
- Mac and cheese
- Meats (canned tuna, etc.)
- Pasta
- Peanut butter
- Rice
- Soups
- Spaghetti sauce
- Vegetables (canned)

### Meals on Wheels

The Deacons provided and delivered diabetic and regular desserts to the Senior Center for Meals on Wheels every Wednesday during February.

### Hope Totes

Envelopes containing Hope Totes and a list of toiletries to put in the totes will be in the narthex during March. Please take one if you would like to provide basic needs to the homeless Return filled totes to the church by March 25th for delivery to the Sunday Breakfast Mission before Easter.

**Next deacons meeting: March 4, 2018**

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**  
**Stated Session Meeting**  
**January 14, 2018**

**Moderator, Rev. Dr. Randy Otto** opened the meeting with prayer at 4:05 pm.

**Members in attendance:** Darrell DiStefano, Mary Anne Colbert, Flora Atangcho, Dave DiMartine, Grant Hardy, Julie Guns, Myron Hardesty and Cliff Wood (via phone).

**Members not in attendance:** Florence Fonjweng

**Quorum** present and docket approved.

**Treasurer's Report** was approved pending audit. Income from December 2017 was \$17,264.10. Expenses for December 2017 were \$13,330.09. The surplus was \$3,934.02. For the YTD income was \$146,592.32. Expenses for the YTD were \$165,510.27. Deficit for the year 2017 was - \$18,917.95.

**Clerk's Report:** Membership as of the end of December 2017 was 110 members (47 men, 63 women).

- **Ethel Bressler** (Membership #1241) passed away on 12/23/17.
- **Communion dates for 2018** are the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month, Maundy Thursday, Pentecost Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve.

**Motions made, seconded and approved:**

- Minutes from December 2017 with one minor change.
- Elected **Eileen Hunt** as Clerk of Session, **Darrell DiStefano** as Treasurer and **Winnie Wagner** as Presbytery Commissioner.
- **Moderator's Report**
- **Annual Statistical Report** which will be presented at the Annual Congregational Meeting.
- To receive all Committee (Team) Reports.
- **PNC COMMITTEE** will field a minimum of 6 people and a maximum of 7 people to be elected at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Jan.28, 2018.
- Have a Special Offering for the **Cameroonian Pastors' Retreat** on Sunday, March 11, 2018.
- **Christian Youth Fellowship (Cameroon)** will conduct the worship service on March 11, 2018.
- Change the date for the March Session Meeting from March 11, 2018 to March 18, 2018.

The chairs of the following church committees are as follows:

- **Bldg and Grounds** – Grant Hardy and Myron Hardesty
- **Stewardship** – Cliff Wood
- **Christian Education** – Cliff Wood
- **Fellowship** – Dave DiMartine
- **Membership/Outreach** – Flora Atangcho
- **Missions** – Florence Fonjweng
- **Pastor and Personnel** – Mary Anne Colbert
- **Memorials** –
- **Worship Celebration** – Julie Guns/Mary Anne Colbert

Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Randy Otto at 5:19 pm.

The next scheduled Stated Session Meeting will be on February 11, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen B. Hunt, Clerk of Session

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church  
Annual Congregational Meeting  
Fellowship Hall  
January 28, 2018**

**Meeting was called to order and opened with prayer at 11:45 am by Moderator Rev. Dr. Randy Otto.**

**Quorum was present and proper notice of meeting was given.**

**Motion of silence** was held for all members and friends who passed away during the year 2017.

**Motion** was made and seconded to approve the docket. Motion carried.

**Motion** was made and seconded to approve all of the submitted reports. Motion carried.

**ELECTIONS: Nominations**

- Session: **Dusty Robinson** (term ends 12/31/2018). Nominations closed, and one unanimous ballot was cast to approve.
- Deacons: **Michelle Lombardi** (3-year term ending 12/31/2020). Nominations closed, and one unanimous ballot was cast to approve.
- Nominating Committee: **Kay DiStefano, Marianne Hardesty, Joyce Sparks and Cliff Wood** (representing Session). Nominations closed, and one unanimous ballot was cast to approve all nominees.
- Pastor & Personnel: Nomination from floor, **Rob Johnson**, for a 3- year term (1/2018-1/2020) to be an at large member. Nominations closed, and one unanimous ballot was cast to approve this nominee.
- Audit Committee: Nomination from floor, **Tracy Hardy**, for a 3-year term (1/2018-1/2020). Nominations were closed, and one unanimous ballot was cast to approve this nominee.
- Pastor Nominating Committee: **Kay DiStefano, Mike Guns, Tracy Hardy, Brenda Saulsbury, Mary Beth Schweitzer and Jake Wood**. No nominations were made from floor, so nominations were closed, and one unanimous ballot was cast for those listed above.

**Jim Mosley (Presbytery executive)** thanked our congregation for its witness. He then explained the process ahead for the PNC.

Motion made, seconded and approved to adjourn this meeting at 12:47 pm. Meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Randy Otto.


**Corporation Meeting** called by **Cliff Wood** at 12:51 pm. He stated that as a corporation we are still sound and up to date on insurance and workmen's compensation.


Respectfully submitted,

Eileen B. Hunt, Clerk of Session


14 years in Communist prison  
could not break his faith.

In Theaters Beginning March 5, 2018

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**TORTURED**  
for  
**CHRIST**

FREE Tortured for Christ book with every TICKET ORDER 

A percentage of every sale will be used to help persecuted Christians.

On Monday, March 5 at 7:30, a movie about the life of Richard Wurmbrand, founder of Voice of the Martyrs ministry to the persecuted church, will be shown at Cinemark Movies 10, 1796 W. Newport Pike, in Wilmington. Mr. Wurmbrand spent 14 years in a Communist prison without renouncing his faith. He was literally tortured for Christ. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in learning more about how it is for Christians in North Korea, China, and other repressive societies.

## March 11 Special Worship and Offering

### Special Worship

On March 11 for our 10 am worship, St. Andrew's will host a group of Cameroonians belonging to the Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) in Washington DC as part of their evangelism efforts. They will run the entire service, including bringing the sermon, with musical performance with their instruments (drums etc.).

While this was initially planned to coincide with our annual fund-raising effort on behalf of the Cameroonian Pastors' Retreat, conditions in Cameroon have deteriorated so dramatically that there is at this juncture a far greater humanitarian need for refugee relief than there is for a second pastors' retreat for this year. Hence, the session has approved for this year a second special offering *for Cameroonian refugee relief* for that day. Please come prepared to contribute as you feel led to that additional offering on behalf of those who are undergoing tremendous hardship in Cameroon.

## Confirmation Class Continues



Confirmation class will continue each Sunday after worship for 45 minutes from March 18 (no class on March 11). This class is held in the pastor's office right after worship, so parents can enjoy their coffee and fellowship time and then take their children home with them. Those wishing to join to church will share a statement of faith in Jesus as their Savior with the session at its meeting on Sunday, March 18 (be there at 5 pm) and then be received in the worship service on Easter Sunday, April 1 at 10 am.



## Maundy Thursday Worship, March 29 at 6 pm

Please join us for Maundy Thursday in the Fellowship Hall with a light agape meal, worship, the elders' washing of hands, a short message and the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

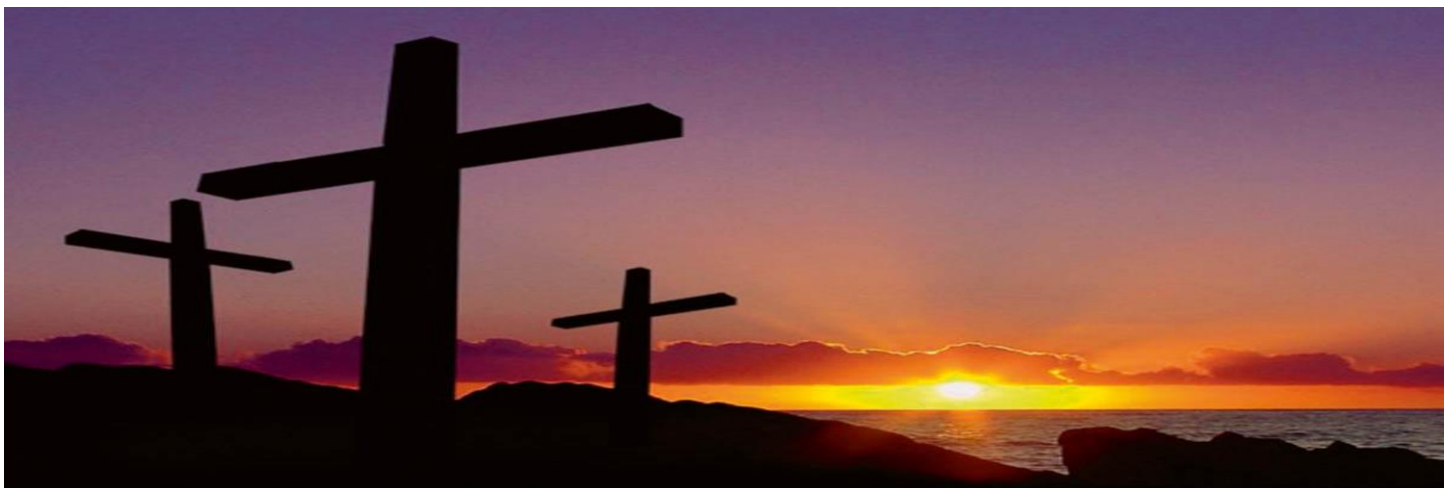
## Good Friday Community Service at 7 pm on March 30

The community Good Friday service will be held at Kingswood Methodist Church on March 30 at 7 pm. Please join us for this service commemorating the great sacrifice Jesus made for us on the cross.



## Easter Sunrise Service

Easter Sunrise Service will be held at 6:30 am on April 1 on the lawn between St. Andrew's and Kingswood, followed by a light breakfast at Kingswood, then the regular worship at 10 am in our sanctuary. Come and celebrate Jesus' resurrection!



**Matthew 28:6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.**



### Morning Circle

The next meeting will be Thursday March 1st at 10 AM in the home of Betty Winter.

### Esther circle

The Ruth and Naomi Circles have combined to become the Esther Circle. They are using 2017-2018 PW/ Horizons Bible Study, *Cloud of Witnesses; The Community of Christ in Hebrews*. The next meeting is Tuesday March 20th at 7PM at the church. All women are welcome to join.

## **Help Free the Girls**

The women of St. Andrew's are sponsoring a bra collection for Free the Girls. Bras may be new or gently used. Our donations will help women who are survivors of human trafficking to earn a safe income in the second-hand market place. Free the Girls is a non-profit based in Chesterton, Indiana with drop off sites across the county. This organization not only helps women to start their own small business, but also offers job skills training, and trauma therapy. In addition to our bra donations, our Presbyterian Women voted to send \$250 to this organization to help pay for bra shipment and to help empower women in Mozambique, Uganda, and El Salvador. Drop off your donation in the collection box in the narthex at church. For more information visit [freethegirls.org](http://freethegirls.org) or see Kay DiStefano. Thank you for your support.





**The Perfect Blend, Inc.**  
**Yummy Belgian Liege Waffles & Delicious Coffee!**  
**FREE WIFI & FREE PARKING ON THE SIDE**



**WHO?** St. Andrew's Presbyterian

**WHAT?** Fundraiser

**WHEN?** March 6-11, 2018

(Operating Hours)

Tues-Sat 7am - 4pm

Sunday 8am – 3pm

CLOSED Monday

**WHERE?** **The Perfect Blend, Inc.**

249 East Main Street

Newark, DE

(in the historic building next to Bings on Main St)

**WHY?** Raise money for the  
Deacons "We Care" fund

\*Present this flyer anytime during the dates and times listed above and St. Andrew's will receive 15% of the proceeds.

\*Offering Pike Creek Coffee, Espresso, Cappuccino, Lattes, Chai Drinks, Smoothies and our yummy Belgian Liege Waffles!

**The Perfect Blend, Inc.**  
**Yummy Belgian Liege Waffles**  
**& Delicious Coffee!**

The Perfect Blend is a perfect place to spend your hours with friends or enjoy some alone time. Our emphasis is on a place to go to take a break from your hectic day and give yourself a treat that will stimulate all your senses. We want your experience to be what you need for your day. If you're running in for a quick cup of coffee and a Belgian Waffle or you want to sit and relax. We will make your time with us important.

The smell is divine, the taste is delicious and the sight is inspiring! Come in and enjoy what everyone is talking about. Coffee Waffles and Friends \* *The Perfect Blend!*

**Pike Creek Coffee**

Our Coffee is lovingly roasted by a local family in Pike Creek Delaware. Pike Creek Roasterie creates coffee that will tantalize your taste buds and warm your heart. The aromas and taste are delicious and soothing.

Pike Creek Roasterie is all about commitment...a commitment that your coffee will be freshly roasted...a commitment that Pike Creek Roasterie will use the highest quality Arabica beans...and a commitment to customer satisfaction.

## FREE TO A GOOD MUSICAL HOME

- Console Baldwin piano and bench.
- Circa 1980
- Location: 23 McCord Drive, Brookside, Newark
- interested party would be required to handle the move of the piano
- If interested, contact Jim and Lorraine Ebert on 410-360-0388 (home) or 410-608-0991 (Lorraine's cell) for access to the house
- 2 photos are attached



## DOLLARS AND SENSE - THE BOTTOM LINE

In January, St. Andrew's received \$11,761. That amount is \$232.23 less than the \$11,993.23 budgeted for the month. We spent \$12,683.25 in January. That is \$1,316.35 less than the budgeted expenses. The deficit for the month was \$922.25. This is also the deficit for the year.

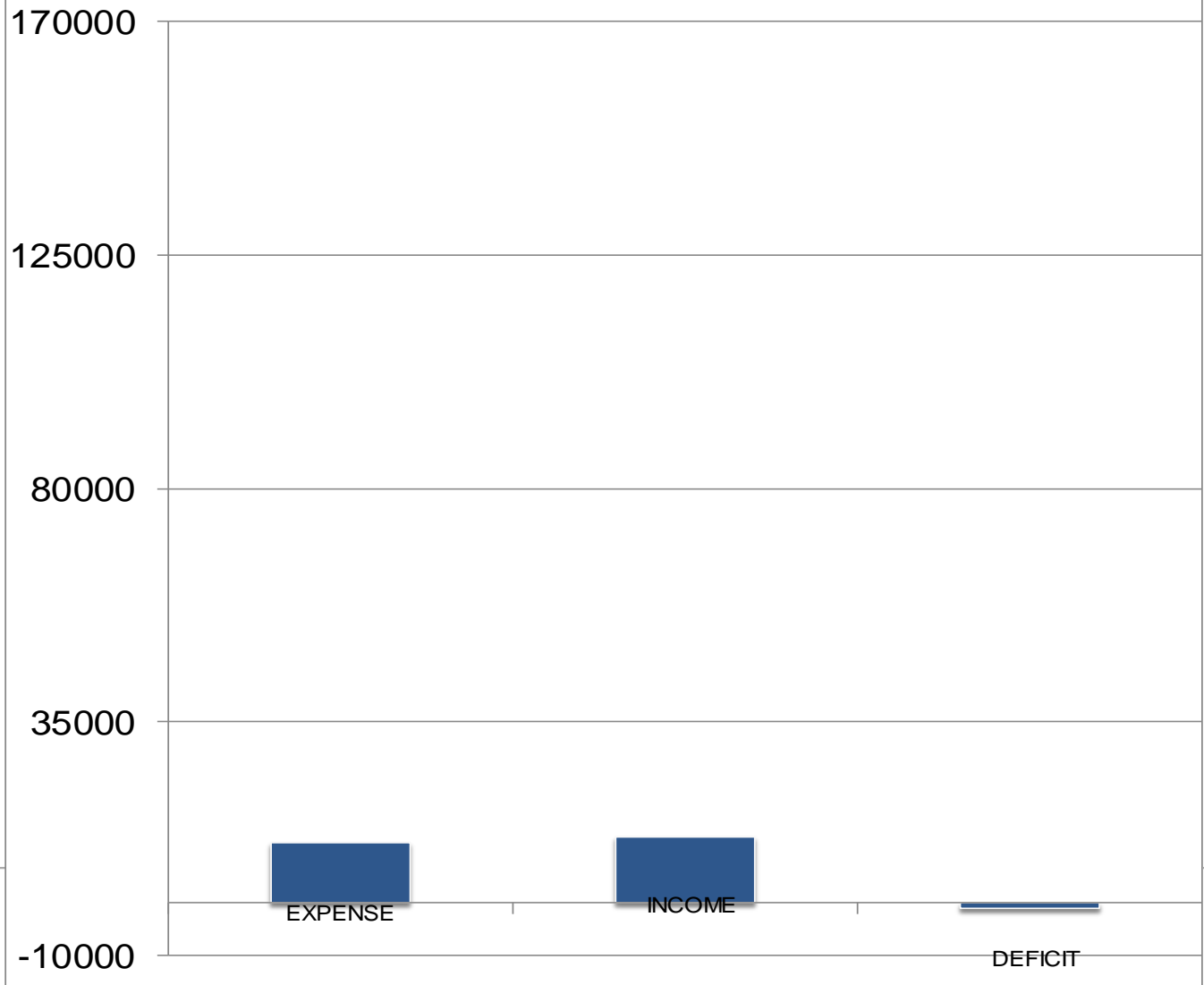
St. Andrew's' reserve funds increased \$2,454,80. Even though we had an operations deficit of \$922.25, our reserves increased because of the growth in our investment accounts.

In 2017 St. Andrew's received \$146,592.32 and spent \$165,510.27 resulting in a deficit of \$18,917.95. Obviously, our reserves will not cover this much deficit spending for very long. At the end of December, our reserves were \$64,652.31. Our reserves at the end of 2016 were \$65,500.28. So even though we spent nearly \$19,000 more than we received, our reserves decreased by only \$857.97. Our deficit spending was almost entirely offset by increases in our investment accounts. We are thankful for God providing this increase, but we cannot depend on that continuing at that rate. However, if we continue to spend \$19,000 more than we receive each year, our reserves will be exhausted sometime in 2021.

There is little wiggle room in our budget. Salaries are 79% of our spending. Building costs are 16%. Those two categories represent 95% of the budget. Program, per capita and missions make up the remaining 5%. Any meaningful reduction in spending would have to come from salaries. Depending on the salary of our new pastor, whom I assume will be called sometime in 2018, we might be able to save a few thousand dollars there. The presbytery minimum effective salary for 2018 is \$50,917. If the new pastor is hired for the presbytery minimum, we would save about \$12,500 annually.

ST. ANDREW'S JANUARY FINANCIAL POSITION - ACTUAL VS BUDGET

MONTH	INCOME	BUDGET	ACTUAL VS BUDGET	YTD INCOME	YTD BUDGET	ACTUAL VS BUDGET
<b>JANUARY</b>	\$11,761.00	\$11,993.23	-\$232.23	\$11,761.00	\$11,993.23	-\$232.23
	EXPENSE	BUDGET	ACTUAL VS BUDGET	YTD EXPENSE	YTD BUDGET	ACTUAL VS BUDGET
<b>PASTOR</b>	\$6,850.00	\$7,274.99	-\$424.99	\$6,850.00	\$7,274.99	-\$424.99
<b>STAFF</b>	\$3,883.60	\$3,983.57	-\$99.97	\$3,883.60	\$3,983.57	-\$99.97
<b>PROGRAM</b>	\$0.00	\$291.65	-\$291.65	\$0.00	\$291.65	-\$291.65
<b>BLDG GRDS</b>	\$1,949.65	\$2,181.14	-\$231.49	\$1,949.65	\$2,181.14	-\$231.49
<b>PER CAPITA</b>	\$0.00	\$268.25	-\$268.25	\$0.00	\$268.25	-\$268.25
<b>MISSIONS</b>	\$0.00	\$83.33	-\$83.33	\$0.00	\$83.33	-\$83.33
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	\$12,683.25	\$14,082.93	-\$1,316.35	\$12,683.25	\$14,082.93	-\$1,399.68
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	(\$922.25)	(\$2,089.70)		(\$922.25)	(\$2,089.70)	
	<b>1/1/2018</b>	<b>1/31/2018</b>		<b>+ / ( - ) THIS MONTH</b>	<b>+ / ( - ) THIS YEAR</b>	
<b>FUNDS IN RESERVE</b>	\$64,652.31	\$67,107.11		\$2,454.80	\$2,454.80	



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH 2018

1 Thursday	Morning Circle	10:00 a.m.
	Praise Band Rehearsal/Choir Rehearsal	6:00/7:00 p.m.
4 Sunday	Blended Service w/ Communion	10:00 a.m.
	Youth Sunday/Food Collection Sunday	
	Deacon Meeting	11:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Class	
	Church of Service Worship	12:30 p.m.
	PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHT	6:00 p.m.
5 Monday	PNC Meeting	7:00 p.m.
6 Tuesday	The Perfect Blend Fundraiser Begins	
7 Wednesday	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Church of Service	7:30 p.m.
8 Thursday	Praise Band Rehearsal/Choir Rehearsal	6:30/7:00 p.m.
11 Sunday	Daylight Saving Time begins	
	Special Worship and Offering	10:00 a.m.
	Christian Youth Fellowship	
	Church of Service Worship	12:30 p.m.
	No Confirmation Class	
	Sunday Night Dinner, Faith Club, Youth Group And Adult Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
14 Wednesday	NO Wednesday Morning Bible Study	
	Church of Service	7:30 p.m.
15 Thursday	Praise Band Rehearsal/Choir Rehearsal	6:30/7:00 p.m.
17 Saturday	<i>Happy St. Patrick's Day</i>	
18 Sunday	Blended Service	10:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Class	
	Church of Service Worship	12:30 p.m.
	Session Meeting	4:00 p.m.
	Sunday Night Dinner, Faith Club, Youth Group And Adult Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
19 Monday	BEACON DEADLINE	
	PNC Meeting	7:00 p.m.
20 Tuesday	First Day of Spring	
	Esther Circle	
21 Wednesday	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Church of Service	7:30 p.m.
22 Thursday	Praise Band Rehearsal/Choir Rehearsal	6:30/7:00 p.m.
25 Sunday	Palm Sunday	
	Blended Service	10:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Class	
	Church of Service Worship	12:30 p.m.
	Sunday Night Dinner, Faith Club, Youth Group And Adult Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
28 Wednesday	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Church of Service	7:30 p.m.
29 Thursday	Maundy Thursday worship, agape meal and communion	6:00 p.m.
	Praise Band Rehearsal/Choir Rehearsal	6:30/7:00 p.m.
30 Friday	Good Friday Service at Kingswood	7:00 p.m.
	Passover Begins	



- 1 Reuben Tabali
- 2 Joshua Wood
- 6 Kathy Paderson
- 6 Jason Avenarius
- 6 Imere Miller
- 11 Myron Hardesty
- 12 Winnie Wagner
- 18 Chet Pasapane
- 25 Al Crowe
- 31 Ruth Hostettler



- 9 - Scott & Leah Kuykendall
- 15 - Wayne & Jane Wright
- 16 - John & Shirley McDaniel

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Morning Circle  
10AM  
Praise Band  
Rehearsal 6PM  
Choir Rehearsal  
7PM

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Blended Service w/ Communion  
Youth /Food Collection Sunday 10 AM  
Confirmation Class  
Deacon's Meeting 11:00 AM  
Church of Service Worship 12:30 PM  
PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHT 6 PM

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Confirmation Class  
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Session Meeting 4:00 PM  
Sunday Night Activities 6:00 PM

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PNC Meeting 7PM

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Esther Circle  
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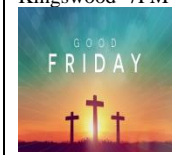
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Service 6PM



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Good Friday  
Service at  
Kingswood 7PM



Passover Begins

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## All Things New Castle Presbytery – February 2018

As we continue our travels through New Castle Presbytery, I am going to back track a bit and give some background about the Presbytery. We are “Charting a New Course”, but it helps to remember our beginnings.

### NEW CASTLE PRESBYTERY:

Francis Makemie 1683 brought Presbyterianism from Ireland  
First presbytery in America – 1706 (Not Philadelphia!)  
Some of these original congregations still exist in our presbytery!  
Makemie Memorial Presbyterian Church – Snow Hill, MD  
Rehoboth Presbyterian Church – Rehoboth, MD  
Manokin Presbyterian Church – Princess Anne, MD  
Wicomico Presbyterian Church – Salisbury, MD  
Pitts Creek Presbyterian Church – Pocomoke City, MD  
Beaver Dam Presbyterian Church - Pocomoke City, MD  
Buckingham Presbyterian Church – Berlin, MD

### TODAY in New Castle Presbytery:

New Castle Presbytery serves 49 congregations, 2 New Worshipping Communities\* located in Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

\*Church on Main in Middletown and Riverfront Church

“5:05”

### Future of New Castle Presbytery:

Changes in the Book of Order permit more flexibility.

“Balcony 1” (2015) recommends changes

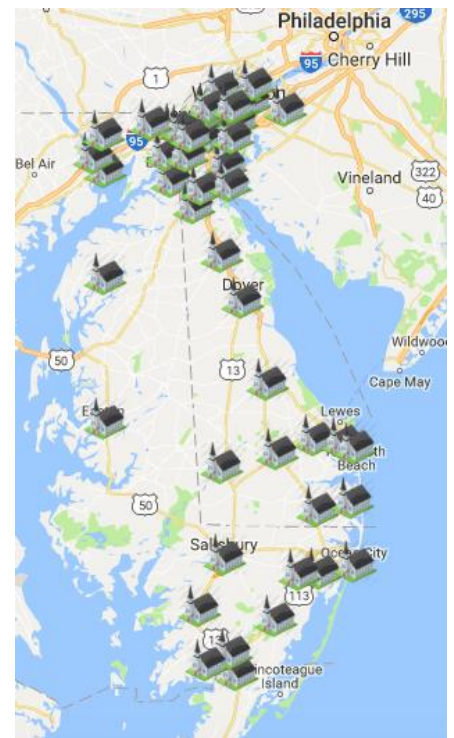
“Balcony 2” established in 2016 to determine shape of ministry for NCP.

“Balcony 2” recommendations adopted by NCP on 3/5/17. Implementation = rolling out in 2017; fully implemented by 2018. (Not yet but progress is being made.)

Stay tuned for more exciting changes coming to New Castle Presbytery!

If there are specific topics or questions regarding changes, please feel free to email me at [winnienpc@gmail.com](mailto:winnienpc@gmail.com), or call me 302-368-1365. Stay tuned for the next Beacon for more information on All Things New Castle Presbytery!

*Winnie Wagner*





## WHAT IS PER CAPITA?



### *A Guide for NCP Congregations*



Per capita funding is how Presbyterians mutually share the costs of coming together to discern the Spirit's leading for the future.

It is how Presbyterians are trained to become better teaching and ruling elders.

It is how Presbyterians discern God's call in their lives.

It is how Presbyterians participate in the life of the wider church fostering full participation in decision making.

It is how Presbyterians support our core structure that keeps us together as a church.

It is how Presbyterians participate in the life of the Church universal as we commit ourselves to "be more faithful participants in the mission of Christ." (Book of Order, G-3.0101)

*To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.*

*~1 Corinthians 12:7*

#### **Per Capita**

Synod of the Mid-Atlantic	\$ .85
General Assembly	\$ 7.73
New Castle Presbytery	<u>\$20.42</u>
TOTAL 2018 Per Capita	<u>\$29.00</u>

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Annual Retreat 2018

*"I am the good shepherd.  
The good shepherd gives His life for the  
sheep."*

*John 10:11*

*"The Lord Is My Shepherd"*



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Date: **March 24th**

Time: **10:00 A.M.**

