

2010 STATISTICAL REPORT

During 2010 the following "pastoral acts" were recorded:

Received as Baptized Members by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Madeline Grace Bonsall	June 13, 2010
Ben William Lindros	November 7, 2010

Confirmed Members by Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation)

Brady Dunkle	May 23, 2010
Jamie Fedder	May 23, 2010
Tyler Krebs	May 23, 2010
Maggie Lemons	May 23, 2010
J. Alex Pennay	May 23, 2010
Victoria Doll	November 21, 2010

Received as Confirmed Members by Transfer of Affirmation of Baptism

Charles Hanson	June 7, 2010
Robert and Dawn Doll	November 21, 2010
Rebekah, Victoria, and Hannah	

Removed from membership due to Transfer or other action

Leigh Ann Sassaman	August 9, 2010
Geraldine Gerber	November 14, 2010
Benjamin Barben	December 2, 2010

The following were received into the Church Triumphant

Mary Mitterling Bolig	January 14, 2010
Eleanore Kinney	February 1, 2010
Oliver Ward Hummel	February 8, 2010
Sara A Shadle	March 12, 2010
Ruth Vivian Lantz	April 26, 2010
Sandra Moore	May 8, 2010
Christabelle Bolig	October 16, 2010
Madalene F. Grugan	November 13, 2010
David Dagle III	December 22, 2010
Mary M Bickhart	December 26, 2010

Membership Summary	December 31, 2009	December 31, 2010
Baptized Members	595	584
Confirmed Members	484	490

From Pastor Doll

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Jeremiah 29:11

Little did I know what this verse would mean for me when I was drawn to it for the scripture frame of the year. I found myself at the beginning of 2010 in a time of spiritual discernment, prayer and conversation. After meetings with Bishops, the call team from Sharon, and the leaders of my congregation at Grace, I answered a very clear call from God to come and serve as pastor of Sharon. God provided for us throughout the whole transition, from the generous gift of staying with Jim and Carol Black from my start date August 1 through the time when we could move into our new home on Park Rd. to the community and business members who assisted with our transition into the community. Not only did Jim and Carol welcome me into their home, but also my whole family including our dog and cat. I am so thankful for the welcome that my family and I have received among you. I am thankful for the support that my family has provided even as they uprooted their own lives and careers to accomplish what God has called us to begin.

During August and September I spent some time thinking with you in worship about what makes for a solid foundation as well as learning names, history, administrative structure, community, and more. I have been able to meet with individual staff members and begin building relationships and accountability together. I look forward to encouraging all the staff members in their growth and achievement.

Some brief highlights:

I was offered the opportunity to open the Market Street Fair with an invocation and welcome. Sharon had a booth highlighting Equal Exchange and the role of Fair Trade in the Global market.

In Sunday worship we have begun using the screens as an announcement kiosk as well as a sermon tool. We have learned ELW setting 1 and practiced the use of the psalm and refrain. We held a training event and conversation regarding worship and the interconnectedness of each task and serving ministries on Sunday mornings.

In November we invited the community and the larger church to share in my installation service. An amazing afternoon of worship, food, and fellowship was shared as we celebrated this new start together. My thanks to all who worked so hard to prepare for that day.

Members of Sharon have agreed to serve as a mutual ministry team and we have met twice.

I have conducted staff reviews and have reviewed job descriptions. Additional work will be done in this area in 2011. Council approved the appointment of Dawn as the new children and sanctuary choir director with a review after 1 year.

I have had the opportunity to gather with all the choir directors, our organists, and Phil Riggs for monthly worship planning to coordinate all of our efforts toward providing quality gatherings on Sunday mornings and for special occasions and celebrations.

It has been my joy to begin review of and participation in our praise team, Nautical, as this team shares Worship Aloud each month. I look forward to continued growth and development in 2011.

I worked with the finance team to prepare the budget for 2011 that we passed together at the end of 2010. Thanks to all who shared their financial gifts in the past year and for all who will share and deepen their giving in the year to come. I will continue to monitor and use wisely all the gifts that are shared in our ministry together.

I have participated in the Selinsgrove Ministerium Thanksgiving Service as well as our monthly gatherings. I was given the responsibility of the benediction during the White Christmas gathering this year.

We have also shared in our first Christmas Eve together during which I had the chance to learn quite a bit about your worship practices and will make several adjustments for next year's gatherings.

I have provided pastoral care in hospital visitation, for funerals, and in home visitation. I have visited the homebound members on our ministry list and have found additional members who will be added to that list. I am thankful for the assistance of our Eucharistic ministers and the visiting that they do each month. I will continue to ask for folks to share information as quickly as possible when you find out someone is in the hospital or in need at home. I appreciate being able to visit or to contact folks by phone to provide prayer support. I would rather know twice than not at all. Thanks to those who notify Carrie of pastoral needs.

I have to say the start up has been very quick and I look forward with excitement to all that 2011 holds for us. We will be sharing in home visits and discussions during the end of January and throughout February and March. I am encouraged by those who have begun to think about new ministries, by those who have been visiting with us and those who have decided to become members of Sharon. The beginning of the year holds special events, from the ladies tea, Scout Sunday, the Children and Youth Musical, to youth and adult retreats, Lenten plans and Holy Week designs. There are also thoughts and planning beginning on the topics of discipleship and spiritual gifts. I ask for your continued support, conversation, and prayers as we move forward together.

The verses for me that will serve as my scriptural reference for this year come from Romans chapter 12:1-2—*"I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect."*

God's Peace,

Pastor Doll

Congregation Council Activities

The year 2010 was a very active year for your Congregation Council. A brief summary follows:

- Council officers for 2010 were Nancy Martin, President; Paul Grimes, Vice-President; Jim Black – Secretary and Susanne Starr – Treasurer.
- Established a Good Friday evening service.
- Approved repairs to be made to Fellowship Hall.
- The Call Committee headed by Don Housley was busy at work interviewing pastor candidates.
- The new sound/video system was installed and after a few weeks of bangs and clashes was put into regular use at worship services utilizing a technology team.
- Call Committee presented Pastor Robert P. Doll as its recommendation for the next pastor for Sharon. The trial sermon of Pastor Robert P. Doll was presented in June and he was easily approved by the congregation as Sharon’s next pastor to begin August 1.
- July saw the departure of Intentional Interim Pastor MarthaSue Moll following a well-attended farewell luncheon. She served Sharon from August 20, 2008 to July 3, 2010.
- Resignations were received from choir directors Sherry Barben (Children’s Choir) and Phil Riggs (Chancel Choir). Dawn Doll was hired in August to direct the Children’s and Chancel Choirs. Leading the Nautical group with the Worship Aloud program is Lauren Marziale.
- The Audit Team led by Dalton (Buzz) Savidge reported a satisfactory audit of the 2009 financial records.
- The congregation was thrilled to have the Susquehanna University Choir present at the Reformation service.
- November 14 saw the adoption of the 2011 budget and approval of several new Council members for 2011 replacing those “retiring.” New members are: Donald Housley, Toby Georiganne Skinner and Jane Wenrich. As well, an Installation service for Pastor Doll on November 21 was well attended and many of the congregation stayed to enjoy a celebratory dinner in the newly refurbished Fellowship Hall.
- Christmas Eve saw over 400 attending the three services – a record number!

The Congregation Council expresses its thanks to Nancy Martin for her leadership as Council President. As well, thanks go to the many members of the congregation who give of their time, energy and money to respond to God’s great gift to us in Jesus Christ.

Congregation Council Members – December 31, 2010

Dorothy Anderson*	Paul Grimes	Bill Pinkowski
Jim Black	Don Harnum	Brandy Savidge
Paul Culbertson	Greg Kramer	Donald Weirick
Pastor Doll	Amber Longacre	Susanne Starr (non-voting)
Dawn Getgen*	Nancy Martin*	* member retiring

Vice President's Report

The past year Sharon Church has moved forward in so many ways. The most substantial move was calling Pastor Doll to fill the vacancy created when Pastor Henderson responded to another call . To say that I personally am very happy with the work that the call team performed on our behalf is an understatement . I was frustrated with the length of time it took to call a new pastor but could not be more pleased with the final result, calling Pastor Doll and his family to join us. I do think that he and his family's decision to join us was in the best interest of everyone .

I would like to thank Nancy Martin and all of the members of the church council for their effort on behalf of all of Sharon during the vacancy when Pastor Henderson answered another call. The call committee was asked to take on a very difficult task that could not have ended with a more exciting and promising time at Sharon.

Over the past year I have attended and worked with all of the other members of the church council. I feel that all the committees / teams are working better with each other. All of the church council members have worked very hard over the past year and deserve our thanks and prayers.

Sincerely,
Paul Grimes

Property Committee

SUMMARY OF PROJECTS COMPLETED

- ❖ Removed rear pew to make room for the new sound system console
- ❖ Removed old speakers and repaired the ceiling
- ❖ Rewired the breaker box and ran wiring for sound system , projector and screens
- ❖ Installed a cooling fan for the amplifiers
- ❖ Had the fuel pump for the van replaced when it would not start , also had the state inspection performed , changed the oil and filter , had the van checked over to see if it seemed to be dependable
- ❖ Repaired both lower level hot water heaters
- ❖ Secured the down spouts on the wall by the cemetery
- ❖ Removed wall paper in social hall and repaired drywall that was damaged by mold and water. Walls and doors were painted
- ❖ Had grease traps installed in the kitchen
- ❖ The small bath room in the lower level was painted , and vanity , mirror and light and floor were replaced
- ❖ Windows were cleaned both inside and out
- ❖ Ehrlich was hired to exterminate the church every other month
- ❖ Lower level floors were stripped and waxed
- ❖ Repaired lights and replaced burnt out light bulbs
- ❖ Had the building locks changed
- ❖ Replaced the air filters
- ❖ Had the water circulator for the heater replaced
- ❖ Built a nativity crèche
- ❖ Lines in the parking lot were painted
- ❖ New tables and chairs were purchased for the social hall

The past year the property team has been very busy in an attempt to maintain and improve the condition of our house of worship, social hall and grounds. It has taken the efforts of everyone who dedicated the time and energy to these results. In an effort to continue to serve the congregation there is a need to have the help of some additional people to perform small jobs. There are openings for people to replace light bulbs , paint steps , paint class rooms , etc. and maintain the facility that we are all honored to be a part of. There are openings for people with all skill levels. Do not hesitate to contact the office if you are interested in helping. We are glad to have been of service. Thank you and we are looking forward to continue to serve.

Staff Support Committee

At a meeting held Nov. 18, the Staff Support Committee formally “folded” itself and makes the following recommendation to the Council and the Congregation: That the Staff Support Committee now be called Mutual Ministry Committee, with the relevant sections of the Constitution and Continuing Resolutions be changed as recommended below. During 2010, Staff Support (Karen Bowen, Deb Bernhisel, Bill Pinkowski, Paul Culbertson, Carol Black until she began Seminary, and Dottie Anderson met with Pastor Moll until her departure and Robin Kunkel. As recommended by the Call process documents, following Pastor Doll’s arrival in August, while Staff Support continued to meet with Robin, members of the Call Committee became a Mutual Ministry Committee to meet with Pastor Doll. With the agreement of all concerned, it is our recommendation that Mutual Ministry is more descriptive of a function distinct from personnel committee and that this will be a more efficient for the Ministry of the congregation. Sharon’s Constitution and Continuing Resolutions currently with items to be changed underlined and new language in **bold and brackets**:

Chapter 13.04 A Staff Support (**Mutual Ministry**) Committee (in the absence of a Staff Support (**Mutual Ministry**) committee, their duties shall be fulfilled by the executive committee) shall be appointed jointly by the president and the pastor under a regular pastoral call. Term of office shall be two years, three members to be appointed each successive year. The purpose of this committee is to maintain a supportive relationship with the pastor and other ministry staff of the congregation, annually helping them to evaluate the fulfillment of their calling or employment

Continuing Resolutions

1.08 There shall be a Personnel Committee. (In the absence of a committee, the Executive Committee will serve as a Personnel Committee.) This committee, working with the Pastor who is the direct day to day supervisor, shall oversee all non-rostered (**delete non-rostered**) employees of the congregation.

Oversight shall be defined as locating new personnel as required and recommending to the Congregation Council for employment. This committee shall review the Pastor’s evaluation of the job performance of all non-rostered (**delete**) employees on an annual basis. The committee shall recommend dismissal of non-rostered (**delete**) personnel to the Congregation Council when deemed desirable. This committee, working with related committees as appropriate, shall be responsible for writing, review and keeping up to date position descriptions for all non-rostered personnel.

1.14 Duties of the Staff Support (**Mutual Ministry**) Committee, in addition to those described in C13.04, defined to aid it in meeting its purpose of maintaining a supportive relationship with the pastor(s), and other full time ministry staff, are to:

- a. Encourage the Pastor’s work by word and action.
- b. Care for the spiritual, emotional, and physical health and welfare of the Pastor and family.
- c. Assist the Pastor in dealing with difficult situations and in finding peaceful and God-pleasing solutions to interpersonal problems within the congregation.
- d. Serve as agents of reconciliation in time of conflict within the congregation and care for the spiritual, emotional, and physical health and welfare of the congregation.
- e. Identify and support appropriate continuing education opportunities in light of the concerns and ministry goals of the Pastor(s), Parish Ministry Associate, other professional leaders, congregation, synod, and ELCA.

Respectfully submitted to Council and Congregation

Dottie Anderson, Liaison to Staff Support

Youth Ministry

Teen Youth

- Volunteers at Sunday morning worship (usher, reader, communion assistant, cantor, Tech Team, choirs, special music)
- *Worship Aloud* participation
- *Nautical* Praise Group
- Service through Sunday School – Haiti Health Kits
- Volunteers for Sunday School
- Ski trip
- Lutheran World Relief Service trips to New Windsor, MD
- Walk-a-thon for Seth & Alex
- Volunteers for Tent Troupe
- Host TEY (Theological Education for Youth) breakfast buffet
- Backpack Blessings
- Cookies for College Kids
- National Youth Gathering 2012
- Senior High Youth Group
- Advent Village Fair
- Caroling

Young Youth

- Service through Sunday school – Haiti Health Kits
- Welcome Posters for Youth Specialties Group that stayed and did service work in and around Mifflinburg
- *Worship Aloud* participation
- Volunteers at Sunday morning worship (acolyte, usher, greeter, choir)
- Tent Troupe attendance
- Backpack Blessings
- Advent Village Fair
- Caroling

Youth Trip Fundraisers

- Mother's Day Flowers
- Christmas Wreaths
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Camp Mount Luther

- Awareness Sunday
- Camp person liaison
- Weekly campers
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Adult Training and Leadership Opportunities

- ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza – National Youth Leader's Conference
- Gathering in the East – East coast Youth and Children Leader's Conference
- Upper Susquehanna Synod event – Go Teach hosted at Sharon

Liaison: Amber Longacre **Youth Committee:** Matthew Marziale, Tami Radecke, Suzanne Nickler, Lauren Marziale, Robin Kunkel

Christian Education

- ❖ Discussed rotation model – Pros and cons
- ❖ May 30th – Activity time – Thank you bags for July 2010.
- ❖ LWR trip for youth – Had a good time, want to do it again in June 2010.
- ❖ Confirmation Retreat – finalized April 23 – 25th at Stuck’s Cabin.
- ❖ 9th Grade confirmation on May 23rd – reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ Strawberry Shortcake – June 6th
- ❖ Honor graduates will be June 6th
- ❖ VBS – Review Tent Troupe – 18 people attended at each performance at the 2 shows. There were several non-Sharon members attending which was exciting.
- ❖ 9th graders being confirmed - May 23
- ❖ Dec. 5 - Extended confirmation class with Pastor Doll for 7, 8, 9 graders
- ❖ Advent Village Fair - Dec. 12 from 6-8p.m. - talk to people about booths & music for children
- ❖ Sunday School – Begin 9/12/2010 using the rotation model. Pastor Doll’s spouse Dawn Doll volunteered to assist with music. Christian Education would like to have a few male volunteers to assist with teaching. Additionally, some of the classrooms are going to be flipped for convenience to water and restrooms.
- ❖ Discussed the National Youth Gathering that will be occurring in 2012.
- ❖

There was lots of activity during the year from Christian Education and it is difficult to list every item on the annual report. Above are just the major items.

Worship and Music Committee

The Sharon Lutheran Church Worship and Music team had a very active and productive year in 2010. The committee met monthly, and was responsible for all aspects of worship and music at Sharon. This included: supporting the choir programs, reviewing worship services, ordering flowers, palms and other items as necessary, keeping the music instruments tuned and in good repair, implementing and overseeing the use of the new sound system in the nave, and exploring ways to enhance the worship experience. The team is responsible for scheduling the following volunteer assistants: scripture readers, ushers, altar guild and acolytes, children's service leaders and soup and bread dinners for Lenten services

Members include Pam Aungst (secretary), Pastor Doll, Linda Gautsch, Carol Harrison, Tammy Hassinger (chair), Christine Jaegers, Nancy Martin, Linda McMillin, Alma Pauling and Brandy Savidge (council liaison). The music staff includes Sherry Barben, Dawn Doll, Susan Hegberg, Lauren Marziale, Maureen Ries and Philip Riggs.

The altar guild, co-chaired by Alma Pauling and Maureen Ries, again did an excellent job throughout the year. The Altar Guild Manual was updated. Linda Gautsch led a task force that reviewed and updated Sharon's guidelines for funerals/weddings. The Nautical/Worship Aloud service directed by Lauren Marziale continues to grow in attendance. These non-traditional services occur once a month.

The music program at Sharon Lutheran was very active in 2010. We are blessed to have Dr. Susan Hegberg as our new organist and Dawn Doll our new Children's choir director and Chancel choir director. This is due to the resignation of Philip Riggs as Chancel choir director and Sherry Barben as Children's choir director. The three choirs that participated in services are Children's choir, the New Generation choir and the Chancel choir. Sherry Barben directed another very successful children's musical this past February.

The Banner Committee is a subcommittee of W&M whose job it is to oversee the conditions of the banners, the proper time to change the banners and decide if new banners should be made. This year a beautiful new banner, handmade by Carol Harrison in honor of Rany Harrison, was added to the banner collection.

Pastor Doll's Installation Service was a grand event at Sharon. The choirs sang their hearts out for this special service. There were approximately two hundred people in attendance. The installation of the new sound system was completed. Sharon members are enjoying the much improved audio service and screen projections on Sunday mornings.

Thanks to a hard-working team, much was accomplished in 2010 and we look forward to working together in 2011.

Tammy Hassinger, chair

Social Ministry

Committee members: Don Harnum, Chair, Carol Bradford, Robert Bradford, Grace Housley, Donald Housley, Laura Aungst. We were pleased to have frequent visits from Paul Grimes.

Ministries

Bread for the World – an ELCA campaign to improve support for the hungry in the world. Grace Housley organizes a letter writing campaign to national legislators. Ninety (90) letters were sent from members of Sharon in the month of June.

Global Missions – With a gift of \$1100 annually Sharon supports a missionary effort in remote parts of the world. We had supported the Albrecht's for several years in Japan. We then had "adopted" a couple in Egypt in early 2010 – only to find out soon after our decision to support them –they had withdrawn from the ministry. With coordination from Carol and Bob Bradford we renewed our pledge of support to the Dietrich family in Africa.

Haven Ministries – Haven continues as a major ministry for Sharon. Bob and Carol Bradford have been loyal volunteers for many years, doing overnight supervision at least once a month. Don Harnum serves of the board of directors and has also been a recent overnight volunteer (having taken a leave of absence in the past year). Our annual gift to Haven is \$150 along with frequent donations of food items provided by the member of Sharon.

Golden Rule Love INC – Don Harnum serves as the Sharon coordinator. In 2010 five area people were served with volunteer efforts of shopping, doctor's visits and yard cleanup. We would love to have a volunteer from the congregation to serve as the Sharon contact person. Our budgeted gift to Love INC this past year was \$150. Half of the Lenten appeal funds were also designated to Love INC in the amount of ____.

Habitat for Humanity – Don Housley acts a coordinator of support from Sharon. Not much has taken place with volunteer workers in the past year since Habitat seems to have contracted with technical school students to do most of the work. Our gift to Habitat annually is \$150.

Prisoner Visitation and Support – Don Harnum represents Sharon as the regional coordinator and visitor to Allenwood Federal Prison. Connie Harnum also acts as a visitor. Monthly visits to inmates provide the men with contact in the outside world. The effort includes simply conversation with inmates –no communication outside of the prison is allowed with the prisoners or their families. This effort could use several more volunteers. Half of the 2010 Lenten Appeal offerings in the amount of ____ were sent to PVS national.

Selinsgrove Area Christian Council (SACC) –Grace Housley acts as the coordinator of the program for Sharon. Through the volunteers at UCC food baskets are distributed to needy families at Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Sharon made a budgeted gift of \$200 to SACC in 2010 along with several allotments of food from the Sharon food basket.

Homebound Flowers – Laura Aungst acts as the coordinator for Sharon. Gifts of flowers are prepared at Easter and Christmas. Laura has done an excellent job of making this project work well in 2010 –along with Sharon members who volunteer to deliver the flowers to fellow Sharon members at home and in convalescent homes. Approximately 25 flowers are distributed each season.

World Hunger Appeal – Sharon congregation gave gifts of \$ 3000.75 in 2010 to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Carol Bradford coordinates this program with the ELCA.

Lutheran World Relief – Blanket Sunday showed a wonderful display of over 110 blankets and quilts made by the “Stitchers” of Sharon. The Stitchers and the Women of Sharon also organized the makeup of ___ school kits for distribution to ELCA missions. This is a highly successful and generous mission at Sharon.

USS/Lutheran Church in Liberia partnership - Bob Bradford continues to do a marvelous job of communicating with and serving the Lutheran church in Liberia. Bob attend the re-dedication of the Day Chapel in Liberia and has organized the gifting of work projects and a scholarship program to encourage the spouses of Lutheran pastors to further their education. Gifts of \$100 for projects and \$150 for the scholarships were made from Sharon. The annual “container” program, organized and commandeered by Bob for many years, has been discontinued because of shipping costs.

Budget – The annual budget for the Social Ministry in 2010 was \$2700.

Stitchers

Stitchers, a long standing, working committee and volunteer ministry a Sharon, has been involved in two Lutheran World Relief projects for many years. The committee members create and sew hand crafted quilts and school kits.

This year, the committee made 118 quilts and 50 school kits which were displayed in the nave and narthex on Blanket Sunday, October 3, for both services. Also displayed was the presentation board, showing workings of the committee; designed an assembled for 2009 Mission Sunday. Stitchers greeted at both services on Blanket Sunday. Pasto Doll spoke about the quilts and school kits at the conclusion of his sermon and recognized the Stitchers.

Monday, October 4, the ladies packed 100 quilts and 50 school kits to send to Lutheran World Relief. Eighteen quilts were taken to Haven Ministry, our supported local Mission.

For your information, since the writer has been keeping records (for about a dozen years), Stitchers have made 704 quilts and 304 school kits.

The Stitchers are grateful for all the donations of fabric and money from individuals and the allocated money received from Thrivent. With these funds, the Stitchers were able to purchase rolls of film, fabric, items for the school kits and sewing supplies. They have completed large number of quilts in the past four years and utilized their stash of material. Any donations fabric is always appreciated.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME! In 2010 Stitchers were fortunate to have four members join the committee. Stitchers meet most every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. in room on the second floor of Sharon.

Current Stitchers are: Barbara Blakely, Mary Bottiger, Frances Bowersox, Carol Bradford, Dawn Doll, Marcella Engle, Patty Gaugler, Carol Harrison, Sue Hummel, Kay Keller, Vickie King, Lois Mason, Nancy Murray, Mary Partica, Doris Pence, Jean Prince, Darlene Ritter, Marjorie Savidge, Carole Snyder, Kay Spigelmyer, Bernice Troutman, Clara Wagner, and Evelyn Wagner

Submitted by Nancy K Murray, Recorder and Contact Person for Stitchers

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Committee Members: Nancy Martin, Chairperson and Council liaison, Don Bottiger, Rev. Greg Kramer and Lee Kramer

This Committee met on the first Tuesday of every month at 4:00 p.m.

The mission of the stewardship committee is to educate and help the congregation to use their money, talent, and time to be the best disciples of God that we can be.

In 2010 we worked on the offering envelopes being mailed quarterly to all members' homes.

Our stewardship campaign "What shall I render unto the Lord..." PS 116:12-14 started in September, through October and ended when the Time and Talents sheets were handed out for 2011

At the Dec. meeting I asked to step down as Chairman of the committee. Approved.

Thank you all for the hard work and congregation support.

God Bless, Nancy Martin; Stewardship Chair

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Members: Paul grimes, Carol Hetherington, Joyce Kuster, terry Kissinger, Bill Pinkowski, Jane Wenrich, Paul Culbertson- Council Liaison

This committee met on several occasions to review job descriptions of all non-rostered employees of the Congregation. Several job descriptions were found to need updating (Administrative Assistant, Chancel Choir, Children's choir, and New Generation Choir). After consultation with the individuals performing these tasks as well as extensive discussion in the committee, drafts of revised job descriptions were given to the pastor for review. In addition a recommendation regarding salary increases was given to the Finance Committee.

Attention was especially given to ensure that all job descriptions adhere to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Committee Members: Judy Longacre, Vi Soper, Clara Wagner, Bill Pinkowski, Council Liaison; Nancy Martin, Chair

Fellowship is a group who enjoy planning and enjoying activities in the church to make the congregation more like a family.

The committee meetings are organized by phone.

In 2010 our activities included the following:

Soup and Bread for Lent

Confirmation Reception

Reception for Pastor Emeritus Theodore Lindquist

Meet and Greet for Pastor Candidate

Worked with Welcoming Team for a farewell to Pastor MarthaSue Moll

A reception to send Carol Black off to school

Welcoming coffee hour for Pastor Doll and family

Pastor Doll's installations dinner

Cookies and treats for the advent village fair

Thank you for all the donations from committee members and the congregation

God Bless, Nancy Martin

EVERGREEN CEMETERY

The committee consists of David Dagle, Kermit Ritter, Kermit Ettinger, Robert Dagle and Shirley Dagle. Wendt Excavating does the grave digging. Paul J. Scholl does the mowing, trimming, and seeding. He uses his own equipment. John Wendt helps with maintenance. Over \$5,000.00 was used for upkeep of the cemetery. We had 9 burials during the year.

The price for sale of lots remain the same for 2011:

\$200-for single

\$400- double,

\$800 or a 4-grave lot

Call David Dagle for information at 374-4321

David Dagle, Committee Chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sharon's Constitution states that the Finance Committee shall oversee the financial management of the church including the preparation of the annual budget of the congregation.

Regular monthly meetings of the Finance Committee were held in 2010 and included review of actual income and expense items as well as statistical reports addressing comparison of income, expense and attendance to previous months and years. The committee was active in the negotiation process of a financial package for Pastor Doll. The Audit Team in its independent review of 2009 congregation financial activities was provided assistance by members of the Finance Committee. The 2011 congregation budget was put together for approval by the Congregation Council which then recommended the budget to the Congregation and received a unanimous approval at the November 2010 Congregation meeting.

An important function of the Finance Committee is the monthly review of the status of the Sharon Lutheran Trust Funds. Because of poor market conditions, only minor deposit and withdrawal activity has occurred in the Trust Funds since mid-2008. A detailed report of the Trust Funds is shown elsewhere in this Annual Report.

New members to the Finance Committee are welcome. Current members are: Dottie Anderson, Jim Black (Chair), Jim Herbert, Kermit Ritter, Rich Sands, Garth Wenrich and Sue Starr, ex officio member as Treasurer.

MISSION ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

The Sharon Lutheran Church Mission Endowment Committee Members for 2010 were: Committee Chair-Greg Kramer; Treasurer-Kermit Ritter, Secretary-Buzz Savage; Bob Soper, and Rich Sands. The pastor, The Rev. Robert Doll, and president of the Congregation Council, Ms. Nancy Martin, are ex-officio advisory members of the committee. Rich Sands' term expired on 31 December 2010. Nancy Martin was elected to replace Rich Sands by the congregation at the November 2010 Annual Meeting to serve a 3-year term

As of 30 November 2010, the Mission Endowment fund has a balance of \$1,101.08. No distributions can be made until the fund reaches \$50,000. Once the fund reaches \$50,000, distribution can be made in three different categories with approval from the Sharon Congregation Council.

The distributions will support the wider mission of the Sharon and the whole Church. Up to 25% can be used to support local mission and ministries. Including, but not limited to, ministry within the congregation, in the local community, or anywhere in the world. Up to 25% can be used to support mission and ministry directly related to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America such as World Hunger, Disaster Relief, Vision for Mission, Global Mission, or closer to home ministries like Susquehanna University, Gettysburg Seminary, Camp Mt. Luther, or the Upper Susquehanna Synod, etc. Up to 25% can be used for mortgage reduction or permanent improvements to the Sharon Lutheran Church. If needed, the remaining 25% can be used to supplement any of the other three areas. The Mission Endowment Fund will enhance the mission outreach of Sharon Lutheran Church apart from the general operating budget of the Congregation.

In 2010 the committee worked on a brochure promoting the fund, at the direction of the Congregation Council the committee is rewriting the gift acceptance policy, and planning activities for 2011 including an information program highlighting ways to make a gift to the Mission Endowment Fund.

Gregory A. Kramer, Chair

GIFTS TO OTHERS 2010

FAITH COMMITMENT (SYNOD)	22,500.00
OTHER	
HUNGER	3,000.75
MISSIONARIES	1,100.00
BLANKETS	1,198.00
LUTHERAN SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG	550.00
GOLDEN RULE, LOVE INC	750.00
PRISONER VISITATION AND SUPPORT	600.00
UNION/SNYDER HABITAT FOR HUMANITY	150.00
HAVEN MINISTRIES	150.00
SU--CASA TRIP	100.00
BREAD FOR THE WORLD	100.00
LUTHERAN TRAINING INSTITUTE	100.00
LIBERIA PROJECTS: CAROL MAIN SCHOLARSHIP	150.00
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TOTAL	\$30,448.75

SHARON LUTHERAN CHURCH			
TRUST FUND SUB ACCOUNT CAPSULES BY FUND NUMBER			
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010			
FUND NAME LISTING	FUND #	MEMORIAL FUND	FUND # 7
APP TRANSPORTATION FUND	13	BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 19,136.07
BENEVOLENCE FUND	6	ADD:	
BUILDING RENOVATION	19	INCOME	\$ 356.28
FLOWER FUND	9	MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 2,114.18
HERMAN FLOWER FUND	18	PROCEEDS -SALE OF 45 VERIZON SHARES	\$ 1,455.75
MEMORIAL FUND	7	SUBTRACT:	
MISSIONARY SUPPORT	5	FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (249.58)
MUSIC SUPPORT	22		
PHILLIPS/HARRIS ESTATES	11	BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 22,812.70
PROPERTY - FELLOWSHIP HALL	20		
RATHFON FLOWER FUND	8	RATHFON FLOWER FUND	FUND # 8
SEMINARY FUND	4	BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 1,043.94
YOUTH ACTIVITY FUND	10	ADD:	
YOUTH MINISTRY - FISHER	16	INCOME	\$ 19.28
		MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 112.92
		SUBTRACT:	
SEMINARY FUND	FUND # 4	FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (13.46)
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$13,454.90	FLOWERS	
ADD:		BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 1,162.68
INCOME	\$ 248.46		
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 1,455.34	FLOWER FUND	FUND # 9
SUBTRACT:		BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 4,285.74
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (173.45)	ADD:	
TO SEMINARY		INCOME	\$ 79.14
		MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 463.56
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$14,985.25	SUBTRACT:	
		FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (55.25)
MISSIONARY SUPPORT	FUND # 5	FLOWERS	
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 7,890.85		
ADD:		BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 4,773.19
INCOME	\$ 145.71		
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 853.51	YOUTH ACTIVITY FUND	FUND # 10
SUBTRACT:		BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 31,558.01
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (101.73)	ADD:	
PROJECTS:		INCOME	\$ 582.75
		MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 3,413.44
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 8,788.34	SUBTRACT:	
		FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (406.83)

BENEVOLENCE FUND	FUND # 6	YOUTH ACTIVITIES	
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 6,538.47		
ADD:		BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 35,147.37
INCOME	\$ 120.74		
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 707.23	PHILLIPS/HARRIS ESTATES	FUND # 11
SUBTRACT:		BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 65,930.16
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (84.29)	ADD:	
CONTRIBUTIONS		INCOME	\$ 1,217.47
		MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 7,131.28
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 7,282.15	SUBTRACT:	
		FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (849.94)
APP TRANSPORTATION FUND	FUND # 13	EXPENSES	
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 2,844.31		
ADD:		BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 73,428.97
INCOME	\$ 52.52		
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 307.65		
SUBTRACT:			
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (36.67)		
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 3,167.81		
		FELLOWSHIP HALL FLOOR FUND	FUND # 20
		BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 1,385.16
		ADD:	
YOUTH MINISTRY - FISHER	FUND # 16	INCOME	\$ 25.58
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$46,840.70	MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 149.82
ADD:		SUBTRACT:	
INCOME	\$ 864.97	FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (17.86)
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 5,066.48	PROJECTS:	
SUBTRACT:			
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (603.85)	BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 1,542.70
PROJECTS:			
		MUSIC SUPPORT	FUND # 22
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 52,168.30	BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 4,188.27
		ADD:	
HERMAN FLOWER FUND	FUND # 18	INCOME	\$ 77.34
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 2,658.76	MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 453.02
ADD:		SUBTRACT:	
INCOME	\$ 49.09	FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (53.99)
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 287.58	PROJECTS:	
SUBTRACT:			
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (34.28)	BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 4,664.64
FLOWERS			
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 2,961.15		

		TRUST	TOTAL
		BALANCE 12/31/09	\$210,560.79
BUILDING RENOVATION	FUND # 19	ADD:	
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 2,805.48	INCOME	\$ 3,884.02
ADD:		MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 22,698.99
INCOME	\$ 45.73	PROCEEDS - SALE OF 45 VERIZON SHARES	\$ 1,455.75
MARKET VALUE CHANGE	\$ 182.97	SUBTRACT:	
SUBTRACT:		FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (2,714.31)
FEES (1/14 TO 12/14/2010)	\$ (33.13)	FUND 19 CLOSED - PROCEEDS TO MORTGAGE	\$ (3,000.00)
EXPENSES		BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ 232,885.24
FUND CLOSED - PROCEEDS TO MORTGAGE	\$ (3,000.00)		
BALANCE SPREAD TO OTHER FUNDS	\$ (1.05)		
BALANCE 12/31/10	\$ (0.00)		

Annual Report of Income and Expense
CHECKING ACCOUNT

Total Budget Income	\$ 302,191.97
Budget Expense	
Salary and Benefits	\$(201,089.59)
Gifts to Others	\$ (23,250.00)
Office Expense	\$ (11,699.44)
Property	\$ (54,158.44)
Worship & Music	\$ (7,478.19)
Christian Education	\$ (4,831.32)
Witness	\$ (4,296.22)
Social Ministry	\$ (2,200.00)
Miscellaneous	\$ (3,725.70)
Total Budget Expense	\$(312,728.90)
<u>Sub total Budget Income less Expense</u>	<u>\$ (10,536.93)</u>
Total Non Budget Income	\$ 8,914.15
Total Non Budget Expense	\$ (6,043.75)
<u>Sub total Non Budget Income less Expense</u>	<u>\$ 2,870.40</u>
Grand total Budget and Non Budget	\$ (7,666.53)

WELCA

MISSION STATEMENT "TO MOBILIZE WOMEN TO ACT BOLDLY ON THEIR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST"

The Women of Sharon Circle had 10 monthly meetings on the second Wednesdays of most months. Ruth Reuning coordinated activities of this group.

*Activities included hosting a Picnic in January. Sandra Hopkins, development officer of Union-Snyder Habitat for Humanity, spoke about how HFH is providing housing for needy families in the area.

*Helping our congregation to assemble 115 Health Kits during Lent for Lutheran World Relief in response to the need in Haiti as a result of an earthquake. 86 additional kits were assembled for Blanket Sunday as we helped to meet the Synod Global Mission Committee's challenge to all congregations of 1,000 kits – the goal was met!

*Preparing soup and bread for a Wednesday Lenten supper.

*Helping to supply food and help at the Snyder County Red Cross blood drives in April and December.

*Having a booth at the Advent Village Fair, making Church mice ornaments.

We thank the congregation for their contribution of \$380.50 for the Thank Offering in November. We appreciated the support of Pastor Doll. He included showing a video about how women throughout the ELCA serve in ministry.

Carol Bradford represented our congregational unit at the Synodical Women's Convention at Camp Mount Luther in July. The theme: "Renew and Rejoice".

The Stitchers met most Mondays, working tirelessly to assemble quilts and school kits for LWR. Nancy Murray is contact person.

*Blanket Sunday report for 2010 is 118 quilts: 100 to LWR and 18 to Haven Ministry and 50 school kits. \$1,198.90 was received in offerings to purchase new blankets for LWR. THANK YOU!

Rose Buds of Sharon: Grace Housley organized meals and other assistance for members of Sharon in emergency need. Such needs may be requested by contacting Grace, coordinator.

This year much time was given to asking "How is God calling us as Women of the ELCA to minister in our congregation and the community." A survey entitled "Let's Connect and Grow" was given to the women of the congregation in October. There was a good response indicating what small interest groups may be of value to Sharon's women. As a result of this survey there will be several small interest groups offered at various

times of the day/evening to try to accommodate schedules of more women. A PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING GROUP is already forming. Be on the alert for more groups as we try to Connect and Grow as Women of the ELCA at Sharon!!!

Unit coordinator: Carol Bradford; Secretary: Vi Carr; Treasurer: Jean Prince; Leader: Ruth Reuning