



## **2017 ANNUAL REPORT**

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## **PASTOR**

As a church, as a congregation, we live to serve. In your hands you hold a document of service. All the activity you can read about deals with service: serving peoples need to worship God; serving peoples need for fellowship; serving educational needs; serving the need we have for individual spiritual growth and support; serving the needs of the wider community and the world; serving those who need healing; serving those who need food and housing; even serving those who need parking for a local, in-home wedding celebration. The Elders, Deacons, Staff, and Volunteers who wrote the reports you will read, love God, love this congregation, love this community, and they deeply love you; every one of you. I know this because I know them. I thank God I get to Pastor in a congregation where service, love and joy are present in so many ways and so many places. I look forward to seeing how God leads us to greater service in the coming year.

Blessings,

Rev. Marty Shelton-Jenck, Pastor

## **WORSHIP & MUSIC**

2017 was a busy year for the members of the Worship and Music Committee. Our staff members, Pastor Marty Shelton-Jenck, Sharon Acton, and Nancy Lyman did a wonderful job of providing meaningful weekly worship services at Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church throughout the year including several special services. A special thank you to our volunteers, Iris Eimon who directs the handbell choir, Mason Morisset and his sound team (Caleb Weimer, and Ted Eimon) who do a great job keeping the audio visual component operating smoothly and Gail Williamson who produces the slides for the weekly services.

Under the outstanding direction and leadership of Sharon Acton, the Chancel Choir has continued to be a thriving community and a blessing to the worship services here at Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church. Although choir membership has fluctuated throughout the year (due to illnesses, retirements, and moves), the choir continues to work hard to provide worshipful music of a variety of styles for weekly Sunday worship, as well as special services throughout the year.

In 2017, our choir performed a repertoire of 134 different hymns and 23 gathering songs singing for 37 worship services including Good Friday and Christmas Eve. A total of 43 anthems were sung through the year increasing our library from various sources and 16 of these anthems were new to the choir! Our congregation is blessed to have many vocal and instrumental musicians in our midst whose additions bring a fuller dimension to our worship services by the freely given gifts of their talents. The Chancel Choir continues to welcome new members.

Under the volunteer leadership of Iris Eimon the RBPC Handbell Choir grew in membership to 15 members. This dedicated handbell choir, rehearsed weekly (except for summer) and rang most months for worship services at RBPC including special services. The choir added handbells to several vocal pieces during the year. In the month of December, the choir also performed outside the church ringing and caroling at Messenger House, Wyatt House, the Willows, and the Salvation Army Kettle Drive with Arni Blomquist. The hand bell choir plans in 2018, to continue ringing for worship services regularly and hopes to expand their ringing including ringing internationally by having several members join the Mexico Mission Trip!

The Worship and Music Committee is also responsible for providing Liturgists every Sunday, and arranging for servers for Holy Communion services, for providing seasonal decoration of the sanctuary and narthex throughout the year and for providing weekly floral displays in our sanctuary and narthex. Therefore, we would like extend a huge thank you to those who work behind the scenes to make our worship service so successful. Thank you to the 20 Liturgists who faithfully assist Marty with the services each and every week, as well as our faithful ushers, our many greeters and our communion servers who assist on Communion Sunday. A special thank you to Catherine Michel for all the decorating she does to enhance our worship experience and to Madeline Olson and Carolyn Miller for their oversight of the floral displays. It takes many dedicated members of RBPC to provide a worship service on Sunday and the Worship and Music Committee is grateful to all who participate in this endeavor.

The Worship and Music Committee members for 2017, are Pastor Marty Shelton-Jenck, Sharon Acton, Nancy Lyman, Iris Eimon, Arni Blomquist, Mason Morisset and elders Mudge Mair and Marilyn Bonkowski.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bonkowski, Elder

## **CHILDREN, YOUTH and FAMILY MINISTRY (CYFM)**

**Introduction:** Growth, transition, service, fun, gratitude. Those are some prominent themes running through my mind as I prepare this report about the Children, Youth, & Family Ministries in 2017.

- Years of effort and investment, combined with excellent staff and volunteers, have resulted in strong and growing programs. Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church is clearly known as an appealing, welcoming, and family-friendly church among our community. In 2017, our programs ministered to well over 100 kids and young people. More than 60 of those are regular participants, and we averaged 30 or more attendees weekly in our Sunday School and Youth programs, the best numbers the church has seen for many years!
- Leadership transition also marked 2017. After five years of wonderful service, Eleanor Gray left the staff for other pursuits, and the church hired our own Molly Dunn to lead the children's ministry. Molly's status as a church employee required her to resign her CYFM elder seat, and Al Westphal proved willing to fill the vacancy without hesitation.
- As you read through the following summaries from Courtney and Molly, you will see the importance we place on generosity, service, and mission in these ministries. It's a real point of pride that we are able to imprint these aspects of Christian life on the youngest members of our church.
- You will also see that our young people had a lot of fun last year too, obviously enough to keep so many of them coming back.
- Finally, I feel a strong sense of gratitude toward the congregation for their generous financial support of these ministries and the dozens of volunteers of all ages who have vital as always to making it all happen. Thank you so much!

Al Westphal, Elder and Chair, CYFM Committee

Please read on...

## 2017 Youth Ministry

What a year! From our weekly times together to our week-long mission trip, this group continues to grow, inspire, and jump in willingly with both feet!

Below is a snapshot of 2017:

- Our **Sunday evening** times together were filled with many activities, such as: Toilet Brush Hockey, Pictionary, Battle for the Golden Monkey, Sardines, Balloon Smash, just to name a few. We also worked through 3 different studies over the year; Truth and Music, Creative Lessons from the Old Testament, and How Do We Pray: A Look at Different Forms of Prayer.
- In addition to our Sunday evening youth time, we continued our morning **Corporate Worship** time where the youth shared treats and came together in community before joining the congregation-at-large for the sermon. *“When we sing and pray together as a church and community, it becomes a holistic experience as we engage our whole selves worshipping someone greater than ourselves.”*
- In January, we went **bowling** with our youth and encouraged them to bring their friends. We filled the lanes up with 23 youth.
- At the end of April, we kicked-off our 4-week mission trip fundraiser, the **2.10 Envelope Campaign**, based off scripture from Ephesians 2:10, *“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”* Through the generosity of the church community, we raised close to \$9000.00.
- At the end of June, 15 youth and 4 adults participated in a **week-long mission trip to the San Diego, CA**. There we engaged with the many people living on the edge or below poverty. Our youth worked at a food kitchen that served between 800-1000 people, a clothing facility, a food delivery service, and a Presbyterian urban mission that helped to feed, clothe, and work with folks to get simple credentials, such as a driver’s license or social security card.
- Several youth, along with myself, spent time volunteering during **VBS** week in July.
- We kicked off September with a welcome back **CYFM community BBQ** at Battle Point Park.
- The last Sunday in September, 13 youth and many RBPC adults participated in the annual **Crop Walk**.
- We spent October and November collecting socks for the annual, **Sock-It to Homelessness** sock drive through Operation Nightwatch. After collecting over 300 pairs of socks, we took a group of intermediate, middle, and high schoolers over to Seattle, where we participated in a “Sock-Rolling” gathering and toured the facilities while we learned more about Operation Nightwatch.
- As a December service project, the youth created **15 fleece blankets**. We donated 7 to Seattle Children’s Hospital and 8 to Choices, a women’s resource organization. *“The world does a pretty good job of beating up those who are already broken, and for those without sufficient resources, a new blanket is warmth, but it also feels a lot like hope,” Donna Mathwig, Choices Executive Director. “Thank you Rolling Bay, for your generosity.”*

It has been a joy and pleasure to spend time with the youth of our church, and I am grateful for the opportunity to walk alongside them on their faith journey.

Blessings,

Courtney Cook, Director of Youth Ministry and Missions

## 2017 Children's Ministry

2017 was another wonderful year in Children's Ministry at Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church. Eleanor Gray, the Director of Children's Ministry, and Becky Lathe, the Children's Ministry Assistant, have done a masterful job at planning, organizing, and staffing our weekly Sunday School program along with several special events throughout the course of the year.

- This year, a weekly, volunteer-led Sunday School program and nursery care was offered from 9:30-10:30am. Preschool, Kindergarten, First and Second Grade classes were combined. A Third and Fourth Grades class and a Fifth and Sixth Grade class remained the same.
- Money collected through the Sunday School offering allowed us to make a sizable donation to St. Jude's Children's Hospital at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. At the start of the new school year, and with the informative and fascinating presentation by Laura Alonso during gathering time, the children voted almost unanimously to donate their offering to the Living Water Mission Project our church is building in February. (The single opposing vote was in favor of funding the VBS at the church in Merida that same week.) At the start of the holiday season, with the help of Heidi Weimer and the entire congregation, we also collected more than 30 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, a ministry that delivers shoebox gifts, along with the promise of Jesus Christ, to children around the world.
- During the summer, the "one room schoolhouse" format was used for Sunday School students, but unlike last summer, nursery care by loving church members was offered each week as now there is one regular attendee, and several occasional ones as well.
- For the sixth year, the Marketplace VBS program was offered in July, which was another huge success. For the second year in a row, we used the "Middle Ages" theme (castles, catapults, etc), and reached capacity with 60 participants and more than 50 volunteers from the ages of 12 all the way to 80+. Besides Bethlehem Experience, our VBS program is one of the most popular intergenerational activities and most well-known events that our church offers.
- The monthly Sunday evening fellowship for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders continued as well, led by Marty Shelton-Jenck and Eleanor Gray. A good size group meeting each week and will continue to grow as a terrific group of boys entered 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- We also had several other special events, worth mentioning, over the course of the year:
  - Family pool parties (March and October)
  - Easter egg hunt
  - Parents' Night Out (February)
  - Sunday School kick-off BBQ at Battle Point Park (September)
  - Participation in Beth Ex (December)

This past year, Children's Ministry enjoyed a stability that had been missing in recent years. Our numbers have slowly climbed over the course of the year with a current average of 20 students on any given Sunday. Classroom volunteers have been steady and consistent which allows familiarity for the students and ease of planning for the staff. Children's Ministry and Youth Ministry continue to work hand in hand, and renewed support and input from the CYFM committee has been welcome and helpful. I am blessed to be part of Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church and this important ministry, and I look forward to all that is to come.

Molly Dunn, Director of Children's Ministry

## **BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

In addition to the time volunteered by the actual Building and Grounds Committee members, the Tuesday Morning Men's Group has provided many hours of maintenance help - both advice and labor.

Expenses, projects, and activities of 2017:

1 - Paid for water, sewer, electricity, and fuel oil.

2 - Paid taxes and bill for fire risk inspection

3 - Gutters evaluated, cleaned and replaced where needed.

4 - Three roof leaks in the Jones building roof were noticed this year – lobby, choir room for the third time, youth director's office. The lobby leak was repaired but the lobby skylight was not replaced. The entire roof will be evaluated in early January 2018 for possible total replacement.

5 - Organized an All Church Work Day in the spring – two Saturdays before Palm Sunday. This was attended by about 60 people, however there continues to be very little interest in a fall work day.

7 – This was the first year of using a professional landscape service. They provided 8 months of 16 hours of work and 4 months of 32 hours of work (May through August). This was well received by the congregation and the grounds look great.

8 – Window glass replacement: windows with broken seals in the main Sanctuary, Narthex, and all the windows in the Sanctuary cross

9 – City of BI inspected our drainage system and made recommendations for immediate (drains in the upper parking lot cleaned) and future (lower detention and disbursement area flushed out) work.

10 – Bought the materials for and started the remodel of the bathroom next to the kitchen.

## **DEACONS**

Our deacons were busy this year. We handled the usual deacon duties. We prepared and served communion each month. Communion was taken to John Hackett when he was homebound after his fall. Our annual poinsettia and tulip sales helped us support the Super Suppers and take flowers to the homebound.

A deacon's role is to give comfort and care for our church family. We accomplished this by sending out prayer requests via the Prayer Chain. Greeting cards were sent to those needing encouragement and care. These cards were hand painted to add a little extra love. Newborn babies were honored with rosebuds. We gave out baby blankets to the newborns and prayer shawls to those needing extra comfort. These were all hand knit by the women of our wonderful knitting ministry.

Emergency Meals were supplied to three families who were grieving or hospitalized. In August we had a special prayer service for John Hackett. Everyone who attended wrote a prayer to John. These were all included in a book for him.

We also cared for others outside of the church family by sending soap and hygiene products to the women in a prison in Florida. We sent well over 100 lbs of soap to some very thankful women. The Christmas Giving Tree Gifts and the Operation Christmas Child collections helped many who do not attend our church.

Congregational Life came under deacons' care early in the year. That gave us an opportunity to have monthly birthday celebrations, a potluck dinner early in the spring and a picnic at Fay Bainbridge in the summer. In November the Fearless Quilters decided to hold a Holiday Market which was very successful. And in December we had a very well attended Bethlehem Experience with over 900 people attending.

Heidi Weimer

## NURSING HOME MINISTRY

As I scan my memory for what stands out in nursing home ministry this past year I think of: a friend I had been visiting for many years who died strong in faith and unfailingly gracious; a resident who loves the care facility where she lives and who would get an A+ in gratitude by any means of survey; changes in staff thus causing me to miss collegial relations that had developed over time; new staff I respect; opportunities to read together with residents their devotional material; music; joy in being with people; the adventure of seeing each day how God will lead. Many thanks to you my sending congregation. I spent 562 hours in 2017 in nursing home ministry. Thanks be to God.

Cynthia Ellefson

## PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Session has assigned the Personnel Committee a wide range of employment-related responsibilities. The Committee schedules monthly meetings to discuss policies, practices, and budget matters involving church staff. The 2017 Committee consisted of Al Westphal, David Brown, Carol Johanson, Kathy Irvin, Pastor Marty Shelton-Jenck, Elder Jack Johnson, and Elder Bill Houser.

**POLICIES & PROCESSES:** At the beginning of 2017, the committee finalized and shared with Session a newly created set of “Frequently Asked Questions” (“FAQ”) regarding the Pastor’s Terms of Call (“TOC”). The committee worked to educate and inform the congregation about the different aspects of the TOC. It was a goal of the committee to ensure the congregation was well informed in making the decision on the TOC. The FAQ were distributed prior to and during the annual meeting in February.

The Personnel Committee also provided oversight for staff budget and evaluation activities. This included further refinements to helping the Session prepare its evaluation of the Pastor. The committee sought input from Session in the evaluation of the Pastor for 2017 through the use of electronic survey software.

**STAFFING:** Rolling Bay Presbyterian has long been blessed with talented, committed staff members and this continues to be true. We started 2017 with the following ten employees:

The Reverend Marty Shelton-Jenck, Pastor  
Eleanor Gray, Director, Children’s Ministry  
Courtney Cook, Youth Director  
Becky Lathe, Sunday School Assistant  
Sharon Acton, Director of Music in Worship  
Nancy Lyman, Organist  
Thom Spitler, Caretaker – Custodian  
Gail Williamson, Office Administrator & Communications Manager  
Dale Christopherson - Bookkeeper

In September, Eleanor Gray submitted her resignation as our Children’s Ministry Director. Eleanor served our congregation for five years. Our congregation was blessed with her determination, talent and drive in invigorating our children’s program. During her tenure, our Vacation Bible School was respected in our greater community and attracted capacity attendance. She developed a group of volunteers who we depend on to maintain our Sunday morning program as well as other youth centered activities.

The committee formed a hiring committee to publicize and review applicants for the Director position. We hired Molly Dunn to fill the position of Children’s Ministry Director. She started the job in January, 2018.

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS. The committee proposed a personal compensation package to the finance committee that included a 2.1% increase for church employees in 2018.

COMMITTEE CHANGES. 2017 found the committee membership stable, with the addition of Elder Bill Houser replacing outgoing elder Brent Olsen

The December 2017 meeting was the last for three committee members. We said farewell to members David Brown, Carol Johanson and Jack Johnson during our December 2017 meeting.

Bill Houser  
Personnel Committee Chair

## **MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

2017 was a quiet year on the surface for Missions but with major changes bubbling just below. We continued to support our long standing local and international projects with the \$19,200 budgeted from your pledges but did not hold an adult/family mission trip during the year. The budgeted funds went to our various partnerships with Helpline House on Bainbridge Island; Fishline in Poulsbo; Union Gospel Mission in Seattle; Nursing Home Outreach (Cynthia Ellefson); Yucatan Helping Hands; Tony and Holly Freitas; and PCUSA Missions. Because of these partnerships, we impacted the lives of multitudes during a very tumultuous year.

Above and beyond the work that we normally tackle, we also raised \$4,600 for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) to help provide early relief and support where hurricanes destroyed much of Houston, Florida and Puerto Rico. As you remember from ten years ago, we raised a similar amount for Hurricane Katrina and then followed that with four years of mission trips to Mississippi and Louisiana, so be prepared to again when PDA calls in a few months.

But for that bubbling below the surface? The Mission's committee made a major commitment in 2017 to move Rolling Bay Church forward on the stage of participation (some say push it off the edge) and tripled the budget request. Our recent adult mission trips to Mexico involved a crew of 10 to 15 people building a home for a family that was without one. This proved to be beneficial over the years as word traveled throughout the village with what was happening and the local church became much more involved in their community and the people we built homes for became more involved in their church. This year we expanded the scope of the mission by focusing on a whole village with the goal of building a water purification system that would service the whole community.

We contacted Living Waters for the World, part of PCUSA, and working with Yucatan Helping Hands, our partner in Mexico while building five houses on our previous trips, created a project for 2018 that could help a large pueblo (village.) With the substantial support of the Stewardship Committee and you the Congregation in raising the funds, we will be going to Cantamayec in the Yucatan! Not only that, but twenty or more of you volunteered to come and help with building of this new water treatment plant. The Mission Committee sees this as the first step onto an expanded role of missions for Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church in years to come.

Thank you,  
Laura Alonso, Ron Birum, Rick Sheppard, Sharon Sheppard, Dave Veterane, Dan Nordmark, Chair

## COMMUNITY & SPIRITUAL FORMATION COMMITTEE

**Women's Study Group** (aka Metanoiacs) is a wonderfully committed group of women meeting on Tuesday mornings in the Adult Education room for fellowship, food, and faith-encouraging studies. 2017 tried on a variety of leadership arrangements. Alyson Neils led three studies: Heaven (March and April), Rob Bell's *How to Be Here* (early summer), and Rob Bell's *What Is the Bible* (Autumn). Attendance on any given Tuesday may range from 8 to 25! New faces are always welcome. **Reported by Alyson Neils.**

The founding purpose of **CIRCLE TOO**, which continues to serve our group, is to provide the opportunity for women in our congregation to grow in their faith as sisters in Christ. Our gathering time has three components: fellowship, reading discussion, and prayer. CIRCLE TOO offers a monthly, open gathering on the fourth Wednesday morning. In this last year we completed the devotional Grace for the Moment by Max Lucado and are currently reading The Sin of Certainty by Peter Enns. We meet in the Fireside Room from 9:30-11:00am, or occasionally in participants' homes. From a pool of twenty-four ladies on our email reminder list, we had an average of 10 women at our gatherings in 2017, not including the summer months. CIRCLE TOO is loosely structured in that we have no moderator; attendance is on a "come as you are; come as you can" basis. Most of our group is 50 years or older, many are now retired. **Reported by Diane Horan.**

The Seventh Annual Celebrating our **Sisterhood in Christ Event** was a day long retreat held at IslandWood on Saturday, May, 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am -3:30 pm. The retreat was facilitated by Linda Conyers on Practicing Compassion. She presented a morning and afternoon session to the 52 women attending. Sharon Acton, Pam Buchmeier and Jen Nehr entertained and led the music. Jane Landstra led the group in an Israeli folk dance. During the break, Carolyn Westphal took a group on a guided nature walk. Women also decorated journals to take home. Many positive replies came back from an emailed survey. Committee co-chairs were Jan Walk and Laura Alonso. **Reported by Jan Walk.**

Under Men's Ministries, the long standing Tuesday AM **Men's Breakfast** continues to meet at 7:30AM weekly for a Bible study, fellowship and great breakfasts. At the close of their meeting, many of the men remain to complete work and projects around the church. There are an average of 10-12 men that participate. **Reported by Doug LeRoy.**

Rolling Bay's Christ-centered **Reiki Healing Ministry** is dedicated to enhancing mental, physical and spiritual well-being. Trained Reiki ministers work in pairs, using spoken prayer and gentle touch to channel God's unconditional love, with sessions usually lasting 45 minutes. The ministry welcomes all people, regardless of religious affiliation, to receive this gift, whether for a serious illness, for a safe place to relax and recharge, or for any need in between. There is never a fee for Reiki sessions, and the ministry accepts no funds from the church. 2017 saw reduced activity, serving one new client 3 times, and occasional ministry to the Reiki practitioners. Currently active ministers are Sharon Acton, Connie Bonifield, Mary Croy, Catherine Hayner, Mudge Mair, Alyson Neils (also acting scheduler), and Gen Tullis. **Reported by Alyson Neils.**

The **mid week prayer group** meets in the Centennial Room from 9-9:30 to pray together for our church, community and our country. Laura Alonso begins with 20 minutes of contemplative prayer followed by spoken prayers of intercession and average from 2-8 people each week. **Reported by Laura Alonso.** The use of our remarkable **library** continues to grow. We have been working to raise awareness through Sunday coffee hour displays in the narthex as well as downstairs for the Sunday School. Book reviews have been written for the RBPC Newsletter.

New books are added each year. These include books used in our Bible study groups. Overall, in addition to Christian resources and favorite authors, our library includes many subjects including fiction, biography, help for family or health issues and many wonderful books for children.

The library is accessible whenever the church is open. You are welcome to come in and browse. We still have the traditional card catalog, and more recent books are now listed on the library computer. A print out of those books is next to the computer. We are happy to help you find a book before or after church. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Lind Carr or Beverly Kaufman. **Reported by Lind Carr.**

In the winter and spring of 2017, Pastor Marty led the Adult Education class through a series of video lectures on the Old Testament by University of Vanderbilt Professor Dr. Amy Jill-Levine. Dr. Jill-Levine gave us a sweeping overview of the Jewish scriptures from the Pentateuch to the Prophets. In the fall, the class began another Great Courses video series, this time on the History of Christianity from Jesus' day through the Reformation, presented by Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory University. Butch Viccellio organized a team of volunteers to help facilitate discussion of the wealth of historical and theological detail presented in each lecture. Class size averaged 20 individuals each week. Reported by Kent Chadwick.

In February, the Community & Spiritual Formation Committee held its annual field trip to Seattle University's Search for Meaning book festival and heard Margot Lee Shetterly, the author of *Hidden Figures: The Untold Story of the Black Women Who Helped Win the Space Race*, novelist Anthony Doerr, who wrote *All the Light We Cannot See*, and Harvard professor Matthew Desmond, author of *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. Reported by Kent Chadwick.

Our 2017 Christian Spirituality Conference featured our own Rev. Jim Wellman who helped us explore "The Ability to Mourn: Becoming a New Creation." 37 people came together to listen to Jim's story of his mourning of his wife Annette's death and the way in which he's been able to enter into a whole new life. The attendees had the opportunity to share their own stories of grief and loss. Jim taught us that mourning really is a bridge, as the poet Rilke said, to a golden room, a room in which all things are again possible. To mourn is to begin to look at where we have been, where we made our home, and the ways in which we need to leave, to head off for a new land, a new territory, a new way of being in the world. Reported by Kent Chadwick.

## CLERK OF SESSION REPORT

Stated Session Meetings: 10    Called Session Meetings: 0    Congregational Meetings: 3

### Session Committees:

Buildings and Grounds: Catherine Michel and Ken Weimer

Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Molly Dunn

Community and Spiritual Formation: Doug LeRoy and Jan Walk

Congregational Life: Dianne Thompson

Finance: Judy Dulay and Brent Gray

Missions: Dan Nordmark

Personnel: Bill Houser and Jack Johnson

Stewardship: Tom Irvin

Worship and Music: Marilyn Bonkowski and Mudge Mair

Clerk of Session: Vicky Adkins

Also served but resigned mid-year: David Veterane and Carolyn Westphal

Elected but resigned before serving: Joanna McCormick

Elected for a three-year tenure but resigned effective 12/31/17: Molly Dunn

Worship and Communion: There were 55 worship services during the year, including Good Friday and one evening Christmas Eve service. Sunday morning services were held at 9:30 a.m.

Communion was celebrated the first Sunday of each month.

Attendance: Average *Sunday* attendance = 154

### General Statistics:

Baptisms – Child: 5    Adult: 1

Active membership as of January 1, 2017:

**\*315**

Received into membership by letter of transfer: 2

Received into membership by profession of faith: 3

Received into membership by profession of faith upon baptism: 1

Reactivation into membership: 0

Total membership gain: 6

Deaths: 2

Other removals from active status (transfer, personal request and non-attendance in worship and life of the church two years+): 24

Total membership loss: 26

Total active membership as of December 31, 2017:

**295**

*\*Total active membership as of December 31, 2016 was incorrectly reported as 266. Three hundred fifteen was the true ending number therefore the "Active membership" as of January 1, 2017 has been changed to reflect the correction.*

## **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Stewardship Committee's goal is to aid, assist, and encourage our members as they prayerfully consider their stewardship to the Church in the coming year. We do this through effective communications in newsletters, bulletins, congregational meetings, leaders up front, mailings, and the annual "Thank You" brunch.

The Stewardship Committee supports the Session by coordinating an effective annual pledge drive, so that the Session can produce an achievable budget for the upcoming year. We strive to encourage members to increase their commitment and to determine as accurately as possible the amount of planned giving during the upcoming year in order to support the budget process.

The 2017 Stewardship Committee included Chairman Tom Irvin, Pastor Marty Shelton-Jenck, Al Westphal, and Tom Rees.

The results of this year's pledge drive are that we received 129 responses, with 122 pledges totaling \$466,326 of planned giving for 2018. This represents a 1.5% increase over the 2017 total of \$459,426.

In addition, planning is underway to present a Legacy Giving Seminar featuring Rev. Dr. Rob Hagan, of the Presbyterian Foundation, on Jan. 28, 2018. This follows the receipt of an unanticipated legacy gift of \$19,403 following the disbursement of a trust created by a family back in 1992, which was designated for Latin American Mission Projects and has now been received.

We thank you all for your interest in and generosity toward the ministry of our Church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Irvin

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Thank you; thank you to the congregation of Rolling Bay for supporting the programs and missions in our church. 2017 was a wonderful year for us financially and it is because of you and your generosity. Finance feels blessed to be a part of this caring, generous congregation.

You will see on the attached report that we collected more than we budgeted.

We look forward to another wonderful year at Rolling Bay.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Dulay  
Finance Elder

## Finance Report 2017

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<u>Income</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Pledges	\$427,501	\$ 457,306
Net on line giving	22,814	
Credit card fees	(675)*	
Other Income	<u>35,457</u>	<u>27,546</u>
Sub-total	485,097	484,852
School Fund	4,844	7,500
Interest Income	<u>114</u>	<u>-0-</u>
	\$ 490,055	\$ 492,352

### Expenses by Department

Building and Grounds	39,051	38,790
Children/Youth/Family	8,306	8,850
Missions	19,200	19,200
Deacons	4,912	5,450
Office Operations	17,682	19,725
Personnel	372,090	376,087
Finance	14,205	16,000
Spiritual Formation	4,139	4,200
Stewardship	909	800
Worship & Music	3,276	3,100
Additional Session Expense	<u>6,285 **</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Totals	\$ 490,055	\$492,202

### Assets:

Checking- Kitsap Bank	60,259
Savings – Union Bank	40,748
Checking – Union Bank	140
Investments – New Covenant	325,474
Presbyterian on line giving	<u>3,065</u>
	\$ 429,686

### Other-Church Equity

Designated Accounts	\$ 383,629
Ordained Equity	1,902
General Reserves	44,154

Benevolence Giving 82,465

\* = Fees for online giving \*\*= carpet install downstairs and Mexico Water Project