



2010

State of the Church



A Breath of New Life

2010 Leadership Team

Making Disciples ~ Making a Difference

Face Real Hurts [death, illness, crisis]

“When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” Matt. 9:36

Offer Real Hope [Jesus, worship, community]

“Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.” John 7:38

Give Real Help [missions, clothing, food, training]

“If you say to him, “Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it?” James 2:16

➤ Imagine – Offering the world a breath of new life

“if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.” Matt. 17:20

➤ Inspire –A passion no walls can contain

“I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 3:14

➤ Invest – Offering our very best to God and one another

“He died so we would no longer live for ourselves, but for the one who died and was raised to life for us.” 1 Corinthians 5:15

Chip Pickering	Church Council Chair
Brian Boley	Lay Leader
Betty Ball	Secretary
Steve Bodnar	Trustees Chairperson
Jon Dehmlow	Finance Chairperson
	Staff-Parish Relations
Kriss Bodnar	Program Ministries
Delores McCallister	Lay Member to Annual Conference
Pam Middleton	Member-at-Large (2)
Matt Young	Member-at-Large (2)
Jim Hostottle	Member-at-Large (1)

Staff-Parish (DISCIPLINE ¶258.2)

Class of 2010

Kathy Albertson

Class of 2011

Ed Engle
Cyndi Pyles

Class of 2012

Karen Young
Barbara Wilson
Shelly Ash

Nominations (DISCIPLINE ¶258.1)

Class of 2010

Shelly Ash
Tom Bobbitt
*Program Chair

Class of 2011

Jennifer Fenton
Jean Pickering
* Lay Leader

Class of 2012

Bob Hasty

Trustees (DISCIPLINE ¶258.3 WITH 2524-2551)

Class of 2010

Steve Bodnar
Fred Burge
Julie Delaney

Class of 2011

Clay Lutz
Raymond Parrish
Ron Anderson

Class of 2012

Kevin Cutright
Brian Burge
John Shaffer

Finance (DISCIPLINE ¶258.4)

Jon Dehmlow [chair] Stephanie Nelson, Lorrie Webb, Evan Bohnen

Treasurer – Ed Engle

Financial Sec. – Shirley Mills

Program Ministries Kriss Bodnar

WORSHIP TEAM
VISITATION TEAM
HOSPITALITY TEAM
CHILDREN’S TEAM
YOUTH TEAM
MISSIONS TEAM
EVANGELISM
COMMUNICATIONS

Steve Gedon
Marilyn Croucher
Jennifer Fenton
Kianna Anderson
Joe Webb
Cathy Engle
Saundra & Brian Boley
Cyndy Goldsworthy



Invest

Stewardship is the ballot box of our faith.

Estimated Operating Income for 2010 \$283,410

This represents a 6% increase over last year.

Staff

Pastor's Compensation	\$85,963
Church Admin. Assistant	15,986
Custodian	8,715
Financial Secretary	3,858
Organists	2,080
Nursery Workers	4,300
Misc Expenses	500

Annual Conference \$52,493

Trustees \$65,500

Office Supplies \$7,500

Program Ministry

New Programs	\$2,191
Worship	\$7,000
Children	\$8,640
Youth	\$6,900
Mission	\$7,000
Hospitality	\$2,490
Evangelism	\$1,200
Communications	\$2,200
Sr. Adult Luncheon	\$500

TOTAL \$283,410

With God's Help, We strive to...



Sense God Personally

- Worship
- Prayer
- Fasting
- Meditation



Seek God Passionately

- Bible Study
- Small Groups
- Accountability
- Discipleship classes



Serve God Purposefully

- Use our Spiritual Gifts
- Mission Minded
- Servant Leadership
- Acts of Compassion



Share God Joyfully

- Celebrate your faith story
- Compelling Generosity
- Faithful Friendships

First United Methodist Church

Living for Christ ~ Serving in Grace

Ministry Teams

CHURCH COUNCILChip Pickering

Seeking God's vision for First United Methodist Church and inviting and including the Holy Spirit through prayer in all of its decisions, this teams' focus includes: 1) Discerning answers to the questions: What does God want our church to be doing and how will we get there? 2) Discerning where God is leading us as a church and what problems will we face if left unattended now; and 3) Communicating with the various ministry teams to chart the direction of the church and then sharing that direction with the various ministry teams to put that direction and vision into action within the congregation.

STAFF-PARISH.....

Communicating between staff and congregation on personnel issues and ministry focus, this team's focus includes: 1) Making recommendations to the church council on staffing needs to fulfill the church's vision/ mission; 2) Confering with, consulting, and counseling the pastor and staff on various matters; 3) Evaluating the staff and pastor in the role of ministry at least annually; 4) Developing/maintaining job descriptions for lay and clergy staff; and 5) Developing salaries/benefits for all staff positions.

TRUSTEES.....Steve Bodnar

Can you swing a hammer? Can you hit a nail? Join this team whose focus includes: 1) Overseeing and maintaining all real property owned by the church; 2) Developing guidelines for authorizing the proper use of church facilities; and 3) Providing physical resources for worship and the fulfillment of the church's mission by the various ministry teams.

FINANCE.....Jon Dehmlow

Are you handy with a calculator? Can you design spread sheets and flow charts? Be part of this team whose focus includes: 1) Overseeing the stewardship of the church's financial resources; 2) Preparing, presenting, and discussing the church's financial records before the church council; 3) Preparing, with the ministry teams' input, the yearly

church budget; and 4) Guiding and supporting the ministry teams with respect to financial management and fund-raising.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.....Steve Gedon

Create opportunities for discipleship growth through shared ministry and leadership development. Based on Spiritual Gifts assessment, the pastor in consultations with the Leadership development makes recommendations to the charge conference for leadership positions.

ADULT MINISTRY.....

With an emphasis on the formation of small groups to encourage adults to go "further up and further in," through in-depth Bible study, this team's focus includes: 1) Developing new opportunities for greater adult spiritual growth and participation in the life of the church and in service to others; 2) Developing creative and engaging opportunities for adult discipleship; and 3) Organizing and developing adult ministries and adult programs at both church and away.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY.....Kianna Anderson

From offering Vacation Bible School each year to overseeing the Leap-Ahead Learning Center, the focus of this team includes: 1) Partnering with parents and the church family to lay a solid Bible-based foundation upon which children can grow in Christ; 2) Presenting creative and engaging opportunities for discipleship; 3) Developing regular and special programs for the children and families to explore faith together; and 4) Being an advocate for children's issues before the congregation.

EVANGELISM..... Brian & Sandra Boley

Fulfilling our calling to be "salt and light" for Jesus and to "be His witnesses to the ends of the world," this team's focus includes: 1) Equipping and encouraging members to share their own transformation relationship with God; 2) Developing a plan for intentional faith sharing opportunities, and 4) Educational opportunities for evangelism and witness.

HOSPITALITY.....Jennifer Fenton

Coffee between the two services, flowers on the tables, and chili and cornbread for a fellowship lunch are just a few of the welcoming and community-building touches extended to visitors and member alike by this team whose focus includes: 1) Offering God’s love and grace to guests in such a way that they feel they are special and belong at First Church; 2) Creating a positive attitude about the church with guests, members and the community; 3) Opening our doors, our hearts, and our minds when inviting all to join us; and 4) Providing greeters.

MISSIONS.....Cathy Engle

This team whose focus includes: 1) Making missions and outreach a priority for the church; 2) Encouraging international and regional mission efforts; 3) Providing for the needs of the poor and marginalized people around the world and in our community; 4) Encouraging spiritual growth through missional activities; and 5) Enabling people outside our doors to know the transforming love and grace of God through our faith in action.

MUSIC

Because music is a celebration of the heart whereby the Spirit of God lifts the hearts of Christians to praise God through various forms of melody, rhythm, and verse the focus of this team, consisting of the Bells, Choir, KiDz PrAz, and the Praise Band, includes: 1) Presenting music that is a powerful, positive, and unifying force in the life of First Church; 2) Performing music that inspires a positive attitude and enables and engages the congregation in an attitude of worship; and 3) Selecting, practicing, and performing music that is worshipful, colorful, uplifting, fun, and inviting to all ages.

Allen Sexton – Adult Choir and Praise Group / **Stephanie Nelson** – KidzPraz Children’s Choir
Karen Fenton – Adult Bells

PRAYER.....Cyndy Goldsworthy

Committing every aspect and every member of the Body of Christ to God in prayer and inviting the Holy Spirit to be an active participant in every meeting, every activity, and every decision in First Church, this team’s focus includes: 1) Undergirding the church membership, Pastor Steve, and the leaders in prayer; 2) Encouraging private and corporate

praise and intercessory prayer; 3) Fostering a belief in the power of and God’s hearing and answering of prayer; and 4) Conducting various activities in which people know that they are being prayed for by the church body.

VISITATION.....Marilyn Croucher

Displaying the spiritual gifts of compassion and mercy for all but especially the Elder Children of God, this team’s focus includes: 1) Developing lasting relationships with the elderly, the hurting, and the unchurched; 2) Expressing a sincere and genuine interest in people affirming their worth and value; 3) Visiting the elderly and disabled in nursing homes, those hospitalized or sick for a prolonged period of time, the bereaved, and those in crisis; and 4) Organizing special events for the shut-ins.

WORSHIP.....Pastor Steve Gedon

From locating sticks of chalk for the Blessing of the Homes service to decorating for Christmas, the focus of this team includes: 1) Developing sacred, engaging, and joyful experience for worship God as sustain, provider, and redeemer. We engage in worship through the use of the sacraments, music; and Scripture to connect the mind and the heart to the hands.

YOUTH MINISTRY.....Joe Webb

Spiritual growth and outreach as seen in such activities as Creation and 30-Hour Famine are guideposts for this team whose focus includes: 1) Providing a safe, welcoming environment for the youth to come together with each other and enter into a transforming relationship with God; 2) Enabling and supporting youth in a lifelong journey of Christian living; 3) Being an advocate for the youth and raising awareness of youth issues before the congregation; 4) Encouraging and recruiting youth for confirmation training; and 5) Coordinating Sunday morning study with Sunday evening Bible-study and events.