## Collbran Congregational Church, United Church of Christ 2021



Annual Report for Annual Meeting January 30, 2022

# Collbran Congregational Church, UCC 2021 Annual Meeting January 30, 2022

## AGENDA

Blessing	
Call to Order	
Establish Quorum (30% of current active membership) – Motions pass at 2/3 of me	mbers present
Approve Agenda	
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Adjourn	

## Collbran Congregational Church, UCC Annual Meeting Minutes 1/31/2021

**Members Present:** Anne Djokic, Sveto Djokic, Jean Kees, Sue Bellotti, Loi Hittle, Clara Mae Ward, Sylvia Spangler, Jeannie Reeves, Cindy Price, Frank Dix, Verlene Dix, Tilda Evans, Lew Evans, Bev Loftus, Mike Loftus, Cyndi Leinberger, Jevon Klingler, and Monica Klingler

Non-Members Present: Jerry Gaddy, Charline Gaddy, Cheryl Bryant, Kayte Allred

Cindy Price stood in for Moderator Julia Cox. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we could not celebrate the year past with our usual potluck meal. So, the annual meeting was held in the sanctuary following the church service. The annual meeting reports were handed out to everyone 2 weeks prior to this meeting so they had time to review the reports and determine any questions or concerns. Cindy called the meeting to order at 11:50 am. A quorum was present. We had 22 people in attendance, of whom, 18 were members. (30% of the 44 members in our church is 13 people, so we met our requirements for a quorum).

Cindy asked if anyone had any questions or concerns about the 2020 Annual Meeting Reports as presented- with one correction- to add Bev Mayne's name to friends who had passed away in 2020, in the Clerk's Report. No one noted any questions. Sylvia moved that we approve the meeting reports, as given. Lew seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Sue was asked to review the proposed budget for 2021. After review, Lew moved that the proposed budget for 2021 be accepted. Jean seconded. The motion passed.

Cindy reviewed the slate of nominations for officers. After a few comments from the folks present, Sylvia moved that the slate of officers be accepted, as nominated. Sveto seconded. The motion passed.

Everyone was thanked for their hard work. Pastor Anne is our shepherd and guide; Sveto is the personal assistant to the Pastor, chief paper deliverer, and church grounds maintainer. Sue wears so many hats and helps in so many ways in the church (music director, Sunday school teacher/program lead, Women's Fellowship president, Mustard Seed editor, trustee, treasurer-to name a few). Cindy and Julia Cox, along with Sue, keep the old church building in tip top shape. Cindy provides the historic and legal perspective on the church and by-laws, to keep us on the right path to protect this church. The stewards (Sylvia, Jeannie, Jean, and Loi) keep the services running smoothly. Tilda helps put together the Mustard Seed- so many people do lots of little things. That's what keeps our church running, even amidst COVID!

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm, after singing a closing hymn- "Bind Us Together". We pray that the Lord blesses our church and all who pass through these doors in 2021!

Submitted by Monica Klingler, Clerk

## Collbran Congregational Church, UCC Special Called Congregation Meeting Minutes March 14, 2021

**Persons Present:** 17 members and 9 non-members were present. This was enough to be a quorum.

Church Moderator, Cindy Price, called the meeting to order at 11:45 am. She noted that this meeting was called to review revisions to our church bylaws. Copies of the proposed revisions were handed out to church congregants 4 weeks prior to today's meeting, for review, and as required in our present by-laws.

Cindy read each by-law article change separately so they could be voted on individually.

We are adding Article 10, regarding donations and legacy funds. There were no questions or discussion. Tilda Evans moved to accept Article 10 as read. Sveto Djokic seconded. The motion passed and carried.

Article 11 was updated, regarding dissolution of the church. There were no questions or discussion. Sue moved to accept Article 11, as written. Bernice Yanez seconded. There were no further comments. The motion passed and carried with one abstaining vote, by Lew Evans.

There were numerous typographical changes. These were reviewed. Lew Evans moved to accept these changes, as noted in the by-law revision. Tilda Evans seconded. There were no questions or discussion. The motion passed and carried.

There was no further business.

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 am

Respectfully submitted by Monica Klingler, Clerk

## Collbran Congregational Church, UCC Special Called Congregation Meeting Minutes July 11, 2021

**Persons Present:** 15 members and 6 non-members/visitors were present of the 47 members in our church. This was enough to be a quorum.

Church Past Moderator, Julia Cox, called the meeting to order at 11:45 am. She noted that this meeting was called to review a proposed revision to our church bylaws. Copies of the proposed revisions were handed out to church congregants 4 weeks prior to today's meeting, for review, and as required in our present by-laws.

Julia read the proposed by-law article change so it could be voted on.

The proposal is to add Article 7.1.3, to our by-laws. This article would add a Safety Committee to our standing committees. The Safety Committee shall participate in Church Safety Training as recommended by the Mesa County Church Safety Network or other reputable source. The Safety Committee shall make suggestions to the Council that provide active, ongoing education of congregants regarding safety measures for fire evacuation, shelter in place, de-escalation, heightened awareness, etc. The Safety Committee shall recommend safety items to install/update as necessary. The Safety Committee shall consist of 4 persons. Each person shall be appointed for a 2-year term on an alternating basis so that two people shall retire each year.

There were no questions or discussion about the proposed by-law addition. Tilda Evans moved to accept Article 7.1.3 as read. Mike Loftus seconded. The motion passed and carried.

There was no further business.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 am

Respectfully submitted by Monica Klingler, Clerk

## 2021 Clerk's Annual Report

Following is information about the members and activities that took place at the Collbran Congregational Church during the year 2021:

2021 was another unusual year, with the global Coronavirus- COVID-19 pandemic continuing to cause changes to all our daily lives. Fortunately, we were able to meet in person and our church membership and participation continued to grow. However, and sadly, we lost many friends in our community, several due to COVID. Some of the changes that occurred were that we were able to hold an Easter service but we did not have the annual Senior Tea. We happily hosted VBS at the end of June but the annual Christmas Recital could not be held because no children were able to participate. We did have a blessed Christmas Eve service with many community members in attendance. One very exciting thing that happened this year was 1) that we got to host and hold the Western Association Fall meeting in our church and then, 2) we had the Installation and Covenant Service, making it official that Pastor Anne is our Pastor! It was awesome and fun. Anne was all aglow. © She's been with us for 5 years already! Time flies when you're having fun. We do have fun. Thank you, Anne. God has continued to bless this church and congregation for 118 years!!!! We pray that He helps provide care and leadership for at least 118 more years!

#### **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:**

- ❖ We now have 46 active members in our church!
- ❖ We received 5 new members this year! They are Frank and Verlene Dix, Jerry and Charli Gaddy, and Cheryl Bryant. Thank you, friends, for being a part of our church!
- Generally, 15-25 people continue to meet each week to celebrate our life events with one another and Jesus.
- Many friends and loved ones went to be with our Lord, this year, from our church and community. Each of them is greatly missed: Members-Annie Anderson and Becky Cornett. Friends and Family in the Community-George Gipp, Thomas Gregory, Andy Julius, Marilyn Milendy, Marvin Hall Ivy, Jim Rowbotham, Jerry Gordon, Bill \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Charli Gaddy's brother), Gailin Schmidt, Hazel Place, Wes Bucher, Loren Darr, Bill Wallace, Leonard Miller, Bobbi Wells Pratt, Elvin "Lee Roy" Riddle, Jan Lawson, Tina Masaro, Lester Mundy, Dr. Darren Wirtz, Eugene Gerry, Bernetta Mae Charlesworth, Barbara Hill, Cecil Stites, James Clyde Dawson, William D Bryan, Dale Clifton, Leland Clifton, Scott Rienks, Marilyn Eidson, Marie Shafer, Donny Hawkins, Gordon Giddings, Big Dave, Virginia (Vini) Norris Exton, Paula Grundy, Casey\_\_\_\_\_ from PE Road, George Lyons, Dick Cloud, Michael Anderson, Ernie Hill, Archie Ayers, Melva Ella Grubbs Bardell, and Richard "Dick" Hess. The Women's Fellowship provided food and service for many of these memorial services and Pastor Anne officiated or took part in seven of their services or visited and supported the families.
- There were no births among our members but three births among extended family:
  - Leona Joan Gunther, born to Ann Anderson's grandson Jordan and his wife on 3/5/21.
  - Avery Scott Cox, born to Julia and Pudge Cox's grandson Alex Cox and his wife, Alex on 7/30/21.

- Ellie Rose Satterfield, born to Rose Satterfield's grandson Ryan and his wife Jacque on 12/18/21.
- There were no baptisms performed this year.
- There were no marriages in our church this year.

#### **CHURCH ACTIVITIES:**

- ❖ We are so thankful that Pastor Anne and Sveto are here for our church. Anne continues to visit with members and friends who aren't able to attend church any longer and shows her love and caring for everyone in the church and community. She tirelessly made 1,079 phone calls and visits during 2021! Thank you, Anne!
- The Trustees continue working very hard to keep our church in good working condition and modernized (new bathroom remodel, cabinets and sink in the overflow room!). They get all the little things done, each day of the year, every year. We take their dedication for granted. Thank you, all-to Julia Cox, Sue Bellotti, Cindy Price, and Berenice Yanez!
- ❖ Tilda Evans, Sue Bellotti, and Pastor Anne continue sending out the informative and fun "Mustard Seed", with news about our church, to those who cannot attend and as a reminder of upcoming activities for everyone. Thank you all, for your very nice work! It's fun to see the photos and news that is occurring.
- Few children are able to attend church regularly. Due to that, the Children's Sunday School has not been able to meet all year. However, as soon as it is safe to gather together again, we will look forward to hearing little voices and seeing how big the kids have grown!
- ❖ The Adult Bible Study has not been able to meet this year either.
- ❖ The Women's Fellowship prepared and provided for numerous memorial services; prepared a take-out lasagna dinner for a Sunday School/VBS fundraiser; and cooked and provided for the annual Turkey Dinner- which though take-out only, turned out to be one of the best attended Turkey Dinner's ever! The Fellowship also continued staffing the coat rack at Collbran Supply. Their contributions and missions help so many people!
- ❖ Kammy McElwain continues to maintain the church's website. It lists community activities and is a good spot to find information about our church. It can be found at http://www.collbrancongregationalchurch.org.html
- Our Church was back on track this year and hosted many community activities such as gymnastics and dance classes, the farmer's market, children's activities, 4H meetings, Gray Gourmet, Lion's Club meetings, family parties or get-together's. Many people consider this church to be "theirs"!
- ❖ Becky Showalter continues keeping the church clean and looking good with her custodial work. We are so thankful for her care and attention to detail.
- Roberto Salamanca keeps the lawn mowed and sidewalks shoveled of snow each winter. He and Rosa have also repaired broken sprinklers and done other maintenance items.
- Collbran Congregational UCC has been a community gathering place for 118 years now. So many people work to keep this church a viable and active asset. We pray that our Collbran Congregational continues being a blessing to all who enter its doors. May God bless our church, all its attendees, Pastor Anne and Sveto, our community and our country.

Collbran Congregational Church has been a well photographed and beautiful landmark in our community for 118 years!



Respectfully submitted, Monica Klingler, Clerk

## 2021 Pastor's Annual Report

The pastor shall, with the assistance of the Church Council, be in charge of the spiritual welfare of the church.

"For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it". Amanda Gorman

We are our stories and your story matters! Your day-to-day life moments matter to God. You are a gift to the world.

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

### January, February, March 2021

On Friday, January 22, 2021 I began "Chocolate, Chai, and Chat with Anne"  $\sim$  weekly office hours at the church in Collbran. Every Friday I am onsite for Chocolate, Chai, and Chat from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. Appointments may be scheduled but are not necessary. This has been very satisfying and successful! I love it! Please continue to drop in any Friday!

I am the "Pastor Representative" for thirty-five churches in Mesa County, serving on the Mesa County Church Safety Board Committee. We meet monthly and/or as needed. As a congregation we are progressing very well in taking necessary steps to maintain safety in all areas of church life. I am proud of our Safety Committee. Thank you to all.

Sunday, February 14, 2021, Ash Wednesday Observance in worship, imposition of ashes.

Total Visits and Calls this quarter: 204.

### April, May, June 2021

Eight members received flowers for surgeries, etc. during the month of April 2021. There is sincere appreciation for the hospital visits, flowers, and cards.

April 18, 2021: New members joined the church: Jerry and Charli Gaddy; Frank and Verlene Dix.

May 9, 2021: Mother's Day celebrated in worship. Thank you, Stewards.

May 31, 2021: Gave the Blessing for the Cancer Fund Butterfly Release event.

I attended year-round performances involving our beautiful children including events and recitals. Be sure to let me know when your child has a game or special event. I always enjoy attending the Mesa County 4-H Fair as well!

June 7 – June 12, I attended, via ZOOM, the Rocky Mountain Conference of the United Church of Christ Annual Celebration Meeting.

June 20, 2021: Father's Day celebrated in worship. Thank you, Stewards.

Vacation Bible School June 21 set-up through June 27 VBS Kid's Program, "Rocky Railway ~ Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through." I taught the music for VBS and helped where needed.

Total Visits and Calls this quarter: 248.

### July, August, September 2021

July 11, 2021: ZOOM Call with the Western Association. We were asked to host the Western Association Fall meeting and hold my installation, October 1 -2. As your pastor, I was responsible for planning the installation service and the Western Association Meeting, including devotions and the Friday worship service. The Women's Fellowship took care of all the meals and snacks in addition to other set-up arrangements.

August 14, 2021: Delores Scott's Graveside Memorial, Celebration of Life Service.

August 22, 2021: Becky Cornett's impromptu Memorial Service at her home.

August 24, 2021: Mesa County Safety "County-wide Training" with Carl Chinn, 6:00 – 8:30 PM. I gave the invocation and benediction. Attended by our Collbran Safety Team Members. Thank you, Team!

September 12, 2021: Grandparent's Day celebrated in worship.

Total Visits and Calls this quarter: 365.

#### October, November, December 2021

October 1, 2021: Hosted Western Association Fall Meeting in Collbran. Leadership for the opening, evening worship on this day. Suzanne Bellotti was the pianist. Thank you, Sue!

October 2, 2021:

9:00 AM: Western Association Fall Business Meeting

❖ 12:00 – 1:00 PM: Installation/Covenant Service and Celebration Meal

Sincerest thanks to all who participated, attended, and provided the meal.

October 9, 2021: Celebration of Life Service for Annie Anderson, assisted.

October 17, 2021: Attended Celebration of Life Service for Scott Rienks, CMU.

October 23, 2021: Officiated for Celebration of Life Service, Marie Shafer.

October 24, 2021: Cheryl Bryant joined the church, new member.

October 28, 2021: Present for George Lyons, Celebration of Life Service.

November 8, 2021: Officiated for Graveside, Celebration of Life Service for Dick Cloud.

November 13, 2021: Onsite for Thanksgiving Dinner, Take-Out meals.

When Suzanne Bellotti is unable to be in worship, I fill in for her at the piano.

December 24, 2021: Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 PM, Attendance 71.

Total Visits and Calls this quarter: 262.

Total Visits and Calls for the 2021 Year: 1,079.

Total New Members received in 2021: five adults.

I thank you for your tremendous support throughout the past year, 2021. As we walk boldly and tenderly into the New Year 2022, I wish for us the courage, strength, and energy to embrace the adventures, challenges, and growth that await us in the life of the church. You have been

bestowed upon by the Holy Spirit with talents and gifts to live as modern-day Disciples of Jesus Christ, in a world that needs your skills and love.

Collbran Congregational United Church of Christ is a church on the move, growing and stepping up with momentum to the "calling of God's voice" in 2022! Allow our loving and dedicated congregation to grow and invite others to join us. "There is joy in the House of the Lord, and we won't be quiet!"

With love and blessings,
Pastor Anne Djokic

## 2021 Moderator's Annual Report

The duties of the Moderator shall be to preside at all church Council meetings and all business meetings of the congregation. The moderator shall be a me3mber of the church. The Moderator shall be elected for a term of one year.

It has been a busy year for the white church with a steeple in Collbran, Colorado.

The Council appointed Berenice Yanez, who volunteered to fill the vacancy in the Trustees Committee.

Recommendation was made to the Council to approve revised and added Articles and Bylaws.

A suggestion was made and discussed to include education to new members regarding "What it means to be a Congregational/United Church of Christ member."

Discussions included review of the Bylaw (5.2) for Council's welcoming of new members.

The Safety Committee was formed, and a new Bylaw was created for it. (7.1.3)

Plateau Valley representatives attended by Zoom the Western Association Conference meeting and updated Council and church attendees afterward.

The "Welcome Brochure" was revised and is available for new members and visitors.

The Rocky Mountain Conference, United Church of Christ Annual Meeting was hosted by Collbran Congregational Church, United Church of Christ on October 1 and 2. We were honored to welcome our pastor, Anne Djokic, installing her as our "Called" Pastor.

Pastor Anne initiated the very successful "Chocolate, Chai, and Chat with Pastor Anne" on Fridays, which has been appreciated by many visitors.

Collbran Library has extended some of its gatherings to Mothers Park, and inside the church building when needed.

I am proud that our church and community have continued to support the church financially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our income from weekly and monthly contributions has decreased, but the fact that we can still meet our bills shows that many continue to make contributions and attend worship services.

Pastor Anne continued to send virtual worship services by e-mail until Advent this year, providing her well prepared and written weekly messages to many people not attending in person (for whatever reason in their life journey) yet benefitting from her assurance of God's great Love.

The church building is a challenge to maintain in good repair. Our treasurer consistently deposits money into the savings account at every opportunity, and though it may have to be withdrawn too soon, it balances out to be a benefit when needed.

The efforts of everyone donating what amount and when they can, is a constant display of them showing God the magnitude of our love for Him.

When people support the upgrades and repairs, they highlight how sincere the culture was, at this building's beginning in a new settlement and how they were centered around God, in society

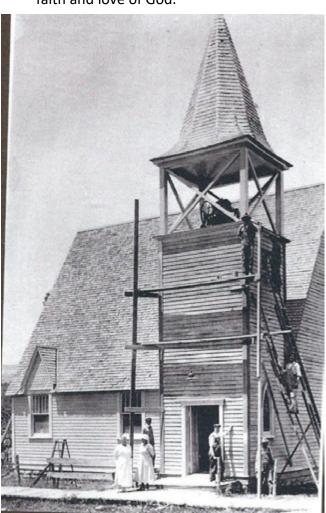
and the efforts they took to glorify God through the gifts that they were given. They display expressions of our love to this sacred, holy place through their reverence and spiritual respect, though there has developed a different approach and style of worship.

I am proud of our community of faith, in this large community of love and care for each other; Plateau Valley.

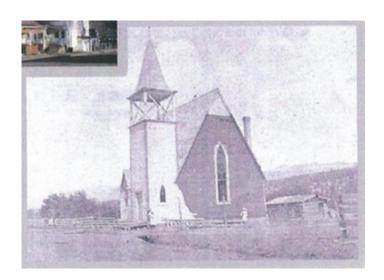
Seeing the need for a place to worship, the early settlers of Collbran built the church in 1901 from combined gifts that they were given, with shared efforts, strong faith and the sincere desire to display their expressions of love to God.

You can see that the structure included the bell tower and leaded, colored glass windows, from the very beginning!

We endeavor, with everyone's support, to maintain with honor and reverence, these displays of faith and love of God.



19 people are listed as the charter members of the Collbran Congregational Church. They are from the families of Noble, Stites, Underhill, Harris, Needles, Henderson, Keaton and Goodykoontz.





The addition was added for Sunday School rooms which were also used in the public school system. Kindergarten through third grades were taught in this building.

Please pray for the churches in our community. Thank you for a year of support.

Be well, be safe.

Blessings,

Cindy Price, Moderator

## 2021 Treasurer's Annual Report

The Treasurer shall be a member of the church and will receive all monies of the church, and upon request, give quarterly receipt for same. He/she shall deposit funds received in such depository as the Church Council shall order and shall disburse the same with the recommendation of the Board of Trustees and under the direction of the church Council. He/she shall manage and be responsible for the investments under the direction of the church Council. The Treasurer will maintain a review of the budget standings and notify the Trustees in the event of a looming budget shortfall.

### **DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Checking Account Balance		\$6,086.89
Savings Account Breakdown		
Memorial Fund	\$20,471.20	
Food Bank	\$907.66	
Stewards	\$53.44	
Christian Ed	\$612.61	
Music \$90.00		
Stewardship Fund	\$1,236.63	
<b>Building Remodel</b>	\$8866.44	
General Fund	\$4548.19	
Savings Account Balance		\$36,786.17
UCFUND (Investment Acct)		\$211,988.81

The Collbran Congregational Church, UCC, successfully met the bills, salary, and general expenses for 2021.

Continually being unable to balance the budget comes from increases in the everyday expenses but a decrease in offering income. I am sure there are not many businesses that would accept a budget at the beginning of the year showing a \$14,000.00 loss but that seems to have become the norm for our church.

Giving from the congregation is the main support for the Collbran Congregational Church, UCC.

The past year has seen an increase in attendance but not an increase in giving income. We have the usual expenses to just keep the building open with utilities, maintenance, liability insurance, pastor, custodial, lawn care, and the normal office/computer costs.

We have seen an increase of \$492.15 per quarter for general liability insurance. This brings the quarterly payments in 2022 to \$3773.50 per quarter. This amount is up from \$3281.35 per quarter for 2021. The total general liability insurance cost for the year 2022 is \$15094.00. You will notice that is one third of our annual budget.

As Treasurer, I have to rely on the offering to cover all the general expenses. Many congregants do not think of making their donation if they are not sitting in the pew on Sunday even though the bills keep coming in and must be paid.

The Church Council will continue to be prudent with the management of the funds received from each of you who so generously and consistently support this church.

We are fortunate to have congregants who purchase office and cleaning supplies and donate them to the church. Other in-kind donations, that save us a great amount of money, include the repairs that are made around the building. When we have a clean-up day to clean around the building and get the shrubs trimmed into shape, leaves raked, and trash removed, money is saved. When people are willing to come in and fix the range in the kitchen, install new EXIT signs and smoke detectors, replace light bulbs, and get the overhead television in the overflow room working, money is saved.

Please remember that when you generously donate supplies or time working at the church it is tax deductible. You must submit a paid receipt or an invoice showing the time you gave and the work done. I realize this does require some accounting on your end but it can be of value with your taxes. Do not discount the value of work done. Current market wage amounts are acceptable. As treasurer, I am more than happy to work with you so that you can take advantage of these deductions.

The remodel of the four bathrooms and addition of cabinets in the overflow room over the past year is nearly complete. The total amount paid to Ford Construction, as of December 31, 2021, is \$98,992.57. An additional \$10,024.08 has been paid to Blythe Group for architectural, engineering, and management.

The original bid from Ford Construction was \$105,582.00. There are some remaining charges that will be paid in 2022.

Money was withdrawn from the UC Fund account to cover the remodel. The UC Fund began 2021 with an account balance of \$309,123.01. The Fund closed 2021 with a balance of \$211,988.81. Our goal is to keep the balance above the \$210,000.00. This is the amount gifted to the church for investment, from Everett and Mabel Collins and Elna Hall. The Stock Market has been good to us with continued growth which has allowed the church to be able to make these improvements and cover other expenses during the year while maintaining the \$210,000.00 balance. We have again been blessed with an aggressive stock market which generates the funds we use for additional income and special projects.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Bellotti Treasurer Portfolio Valuation for: Collbran Congregational Church Endowment Fund

**Current Valuation** 

Description	# Shares	Book Value	Market Value
Balanced Funds	16,212.63	172,619.81	237,939.73

Valuation Summary

Description		Book Value	Market Value
Investments		172,619.81	237,939.73
Income Cash		0.00	0.00
Principal Cash		0.00	0.00
	Grand Total Value:	172,619.81	237,939.73

All values are as of: November 24, 2021 Non-Priced Investments are at Book Value.

## 2021 Annual Meeting Missions Report

## Noisy Offering List 2021

The Noise Offering was started in our church in 2004 by Rev. Faye Gallegos, based on the scripture in Mark 12:41-44.

The congregation is asked to bring the change received during money transactions the previous month to donate in the "Noisy Offering." Drop it noisily into the buckets of collection, be happy and loud, for we give what is left over.

JANUARY 2021	MESA COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY	106.50
FEBRUARY 2021	HOPE WEST KIDS GOOD GRIEF PROGRAM	284.87
MARCH 2021	YOUNG LIFE CAMPERSHIPS	187.35
<b>APRIL 2021</b>	WATER FOR SOUTH SUDAN	105.45
MAY 2021	CASA – MESA COUNTY	95.62
JUNE 2021	CHILD AND MIGRANT WORKERS	93.15
JULY 2021	PV CANCER FUND/JOYCE CHICOS	118.07
AUGUST 2021	CASA MILAGRA	78.34
SEPTEMBER 2021	HAITIAN RELIEF/RMC	57.21
OCTOBER 2021	COLLBRAN LIONS CLUB	135.72
NOVEMBER 2021	MBER 2021 BUZZARD MONCE #86 AMERICAN LEGION	
DECEMBER 2021	CWM BLANKET FUND	71.90
	YEAR END TOTAL	1447.88

## 2022 Budget

Actual for 2021	Description	Proposed 2022
	INCOME	INCOME
\$812.00	Building Income	\$1,200.00
\$2,430.50	Interest Income	\$2,400.00
\$3,175.00	Cash Offering	\$3,300.00
\$12,164.28	Misc Offering	\$3,500.00
	SS Offering	
\$29,747.17	Offering - Other	\$30,000.00
48,328.95	Total Income	\$40,400.00
	EXPENSES	EXPENSES
\$117.41	Bank Service Chg	\$120.00
	CONTRACT LARGE	CONTRACT
	CONTRACT LABOR	LABOR
\$1,950.00	Building Summer/Wintr	\$2,000.00
\$1,612.50	Custodial Contract	\$1,700.00
\$17,185.00	Pastor	\$18,000.00
\$20,747.50	TOTAL	\$21,700.00
\$270.00	Workers Comp Inc	\$380.00
	-	\$15,094.00
	Liability ilisurance	\$15,474.00
\$13,493.00	MAINTENANCE	MAINTENANCE
\$2,016.50	Church bldg maint/rep	\$5,000.00
\$665.21	Miscellaneous	\$500.00
\$81.52	Property Tax	\$85.00
\$746.73	TOTAL	\$585.00
\$806.21	Office Expense	\$850.00
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\$415.00	Conferences/Cont Ed	400.00
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## 2022 Budget

Description	Actual for 2021	Description	Proposed 2022
UTILTIES		UTILTIES	UTILITIES
Church Electric	\$781.52	Church Electric	\$800.00
Church Gas	\$2,482.04	Church Gas	\$3,000.00
Church Telephone	\$878.80	Church Telephone	\$880.00
Internet	\$840.00	Internet Church	\$840.00
Church water/sewer	\$495.27	Church water/sewer	\$600.00
Trash Removal		Trash Removal	
TOTAL UTILITIES	\$5,477.63	TOTAL UTILITIES	\$6,120.00
Western Asso Dues	\$220.00	Western Asso Dues	\$220.00
23 Members		23 Members	
OCWM Donation	\$500.00	OCWM Donation	\$500.00
Rocky Mtn Conference	\$500.00	Rocky Mtn Conference	\$500.00
Dues		Dues	
	\$1,220.00		\$1,220.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$47,591.39	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$52,544.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$48,328.95	TOTAL INCOME	\$40,400.00
PROFIT OR LOSS	\$737.56	PROFIT OR LOSS	\$(12,144.00)
STEWARDSHIP DRIVE	\$1,150.00		
WOMENS FELLOWSHIP	\$1,500.00		
VBS FUNDRAISER	\$1,225.00		
MEMORIAL FUND	\$11,950.00		
TOTAL FUNDRAISING	\$15,825.00		

## 2021 Stewardship Annual Report

The annual Stewardship Appeal letter was sent the end of June. The total amount received from the 2021 appeal was \$1,236.63

Respectfully submitted,

Cyndi Leinberger, Stewardship Chair

## 2021 Stewards' Annual Report

Steward responsibilities include the following: aid the pastor in the administration of the ordinances of the church and assist the pastor generally in the spiritual care of the congregation and shall, in the absence of the pastor or any stated supply, provide a temporary supply of the pulpit and conduct the services of worship. The Board of Stewards, in cooperation with the church clerk, shall make an annual survey in December of the church roll and report to the conference is kept current. The Board of Stewards shall consist of four persons. Refer to 8.1.2, 8.1.3 in the Bylaws for additional responsibilities. (Preparing for and participating in the Lord's Supper and Baptisms or Consecration of children and other worship services as determined by the church.) Refer to 6.2.5 regarding the annual Survey.

The Stewards have a very important job with getting each Sunday ready for the Service.

- We greet the people
- We ring the bell
- We light the candles
- We take-up the offering
- We assist with communion

The first Sunday of the month is always communion.

The Stewards help with dinners, Bible school, and other events. The Stewards are a very important group.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie Reeves Jeanne Kees Sylvia Spangler Loi Hittle

## 2021 Trustees' Annual Report

The Trustees shall have the care and custody of the property of the church as a Sacred Trust, whether real or personal, review and keep current the insurance on all the properties of the church. In the event of a looming budget shortfall, will work closely with the Treasurer and the Stewardship Chairperson in making recommendations to the Church Council and participate in preparing a budget for the ensuing year.

2021 began with great hopes in getting the remodel of all four bathrooms and the new cabinets in the overflow room complete by mid-year. After delays on all fronts, the project finally began in the fall. It seems the supply issues affected the project as well as the ability of Ford Construction to find and hire workers to do the work.

The work has been nearly completed as of the end of 2021 with us waiting on the last of the small fixes and a final inspection by Mesa County. We hope you have had an opportunity to see the remodeled bathrooms. The new bathroom fixtures, actual ceiling fans, new lighting, ceilings, flooring, and paint have certainly created cleaner more useable spaces. The enlarged bathroom in the basement provides safe adequate space for anyone with a wheelchair or walker.

One of the greatest improvements seems to be the hallway to the bathrooms in the basement. The new flooring and paint have made it appear as a new space.

A late December inspection determined work needs to be done on the boiler, and we already had been made aware of work needed on one of the burners. This work will take place in 2022.

The Safety Committee was formed to address safety issues within the church. New By-laws were created for this Standing Committee. Some safety meetings have been attended in Grand Junction, and the committee has met after church to discuss projects. The installation of EXIT signs, Fire Extinguishers, and smoke detectors is planned for 2022 by the Safety Committee.

Some other projects were completed and others will continue into 2022.

The large range in the kitchen has presented issues of pilots not remaining lit or the oven not turning on. Thanks to Larry Bellotti for spending a couple of hours cleaning the pilots and solving the problem. There is no longer the burned gas order in the dining room, which is a relief to all of us.

Kruger Roofing, the contractor that installed the new metal roof, returned in the fall to reset several screws that had worked their way out and replace the blocks. They also inspected the roof. There was no charge for this service.

Inspections of the back-flow preventer and the boiler were made and signed off.

There are continuing issues with the burner and boiler which will be repaired and replaced in January 2022.

As the Trustees considered replacing or repairing the sign in front of the church, they came to the conclusion that repairing and changing the current lights to an LED system will improve its visibility and solve the electrical issue with keeping the lights on.

We have been blessed with work on small repairs in the building over the past year by Mike Loftus, Roberto Salamanca, Larry Bellotti, Sveto Djokic, and Tom Cox. We want to thank you for all the jobs you help take care of around the building.

Becky Schowalter continues to provide custodial services to the building. Thank you, Becky, for sticking with us during all of the extra dust and confusion of the construction.

The building continues to be used by Rachael Jennings and her dance company. Some small groups and the 4-H are using the dining room or Scout room for meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Bellotti

## 2021 Christian Education Annual Report

The Board of Christian Education shall consist of two persons who understand and value education. They shall have the supervision and direction of the Christian Education within the Church. They should know the worship practices of the Church and have a love for sharing faith with others. This Board shall support the church School Superintendent and teachers in their work. They shall encourage the training and workshop participation of the Church School staff.

There has not been an active Sunday school in 2021. There is still great concern about COVID-19 transmission, but it also seems that the families have gotten out of the habit of bringing the children in to Sunday School.

We had a successful Vacation Bible School program the last week of June. There was an average attendance of 43 children and 22 teachers and helpers. The program was the Rocky Railroad with beautiful photos of the Rocky Mountains, regional wildlife, and lessons of the Power of Jesus to pull us through hard times. The adults participating as Snack Ladies, Teachers, Helpers, and Dance Instructor are greatly appreciated. Your dedication and hard work make this program a happy, learning event for the children.

It is with great sadness we remember Becky Cornett, who always greeted the children and registered them for VBS. She passed away suddenly August 13, 2021. Her happy presence and efficiency will be greatly missed. She was a good friend to many of us.

The Lasagna Dinner Fundraiser for Christian Education, March 15, 2021 raised \$1,225.00 for our programs. This fundraising makes it possible to purchase curriculum that is exciting and fun for the children. A big thank you goes out to the church family and community who support our children.

Sincerely,



## Suzanne Bellotti Christian Education Director





## 2021 Music Director's Annual Report

The Music Director is happy to report that church has been open to attendance this year. There has been special music with Beverly Loftus and Anne Djokic singing some favorite hymns.

Charli Gaddy shares her flute with us many Sundays of the year. She adds an enjoyable element playing hymns with the piano or organ.

The Murphy children shared music with the congregation the Sunday before Christmas. Julia was accompanied by Tage on the drum for "Little Drummer Boy." She also experienced playing for the congregation as they sang "Hark the Herald Angels." It is a new experience playing for a singing group.

Reese shared her carols on the organ. She played the "Joy to the World" and "First Noel" as Prelude, Offertory, and Postlude.

Some members of the church family tried to gather for a little practice after church to perform a special song during the Christmas season with little success. That doesn't mean we won't continue to try to sing together during this coming year. We are not ready to give up.

The piano was tuned in October.

Thank you to everyone for singing joyfully each Sunday.

Respectfully Submitted

Suzanne Bellotti Music Director

## 2021 Women's Fellowship Annual Report

Our Women's Fellowship group has gone to our "new normal." We have been meeting in person when needed.

Our food pantry is ready and available to anyone needing assistance.

Our coat give-away is a much needed and appreciated community project. Thanks to Collbran Supply for providing space to display coats.

We enjoyed our new light weight tables so much that we purchased six more. They are so much easier to handle.

The annual turkey dinner was "to go" again this year. It is always well supported by our community. Thanks to Sue Bellotti and Cindy Price, we also sell toffee. We served 125 meals with a profit of about \$2500.

We were happy to provide snacks for Vacation Bible School this year.

We assisted with the inventory of our Church.

October 1 and 2, we provided meals for those attending the Fall Association meeting hosted by our church in conjunction with Pastor Anne's installation. We provided an evening meal, breakfast, and a wonderful lunch following the installation.

We provided food for several families following loved ones' services. We are blessed to be able to call upon others in our community to assist us when needed. We are grateful for the generous donations we receive.

Women's Fellowship donated \$1500 to help with general church expenses.

#### **Bank Balance**

December 31, 2020 \$4604.17

December 31, 2021 \$4743.81

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Cox

## 2021 Pastoral/Parish Relations Committee Annual Report

The task of the Pastoral/Parish Relations Committee shall be to provide an active, ongoing liaison between the pastor and the congregation. The committee shall meet at least quarterly to provide counsel and guidance to the pastor and shall be a means of sharing relevant concerns of the parish with the pastor. In most incidences, the committee will wish to meet with the pastor, but if deemed necessary, the committee may choose to meet without the pastor. In such event, the pastor shall be informed of the meeting prior to the meeting and be informed of any pertinent concerns or action taken, informed of any pertinent concerns or action taken, immediately following the meeting. The committee shall organize and conduct an evaluation of the pastor every three years.

This committee shall consist of four persons. Suggested Pastoral/Parish Relations Committee members include the Immediate Past Moderator, the Past-past Moderator, a lay person from the congregation chosen by the Council, and a lay person from the congregation chosen by the pastor.

In June the Council appointed the following members to this committee:

Julia Cox – Past Moderator Cindy Price – Past-past Moderator Becky Hittle – Pastor representative Sue Bellotti – Council representative

PPR met in October, either in person, by phone, or individually giving input on another day. The consensus of the Committee was that the reports from many in the congregation, and in public were consistently positive in regards to their appreciation for Pastor Anne.

She is solicited to offer prayers and blessings for public events and gatherings. She is positive and truthful and shares her positive energy and excitement for life in any setting.

She makes in person visits and telephone or zoom calls to people unable to leave their homes or care facilities. These people and their families are extremely appreciative of Pastor Anne's consistent care of them and their loved ones.

When COVID-19 prevented in person church attendance, Pastor Anne emailed the weekly worship service, including the Children's Message. The recipients of those worship services were appreciative and looked forward to reading them and sharing with family and others who were unable to attend church services.

Pastor Anne makes herself visible and participates in community gatherings (Farmers Market, PV Cancer Fund, rodeo, Horizon Club, dance recitals, 4-H local events and the Fair, recitals in the Plateau Valley Dance Studio, and others.)

She is available 24-7 and responds to emergencies the families face, day or night, weekdays and weekends, and generously provides counseling, prayer and encouragement to ALL who avail themselves to her services.

Pastor Anne has increased the church's membership each year she has been pastor in Collbran. This shows obvious appreciation of her style and manner of pastorship.

"Chocolate, Chai, and Chat with Pastor Anne" has been successfully attended E.V.E.R.Y. Friday in her office at Collbran. Many church members and non-members, community members and men and women on a job here from out of town, stop in to visit with the Pastor, and she welcomes every one with offers of chocolate snacks and chat with all in her office at the time.

We are beyond thankful for you, Pastor Anne. Your acceptance of ALL, no matter who we are or where we are on our life's journey, is exciting and inviting. Thank you!!

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Price

## 2021 Memorial Committee Annual Report

The Memorial Committee met by phone in April to designate the memorial funds to rebuilding/refurbishing the round stained glass window which was found to have breaks and cracks in it.

We met again in November to discuss the family wishes for memorial funds donated in honor of Ann Anderson, a longtime member and supporter of the church. "Annie", with a background of being a "Preacher's Kid" in the United Church of Christ, joined the church shortly after her arrival from Oregon, looking for a job as LPN at the then local hospital. Over the years, she served in nearly every office of the church council and attended and participated in the national as well as state and Western Slope United Church of Christ Conferences. She was a busy mother and ranch wife, was active in Colorado Cattle Women and enjoyed founding and singing in the local group, Crystal Crackers.

Her daughter, Toni requested that monies contributed to the church honoring Annie be invested in an Audio-Visual desk to store and assist in audio visual presentations on Sundays and other sanctuary events (VBS, funerals, weddings, etc.) Any money left over she requested to be applied to restoration projects.

After discussion by phone, the Memorial Committee suggested that Council would purchase the desk and designate any remaining funds to the repair of the stained-glass window.

Tilda, our AV specialist, found the opportunity to purchase a beautifully restored antique "student's desk" that perfectly filled the Audio-Visual needs for \$120.00. A memorial plaque will be applied (a Command strip will hold the plaque to the fine re-finished wood) and the remaining funds and future funds received honoring Ann Anderson will be applied to restoration projects; restoring the round, stained glass window in the sanctuary above the altar. (Estimated cost: \$10,000+.) Note the crack across the solid pink pane below and the hole in the feathery pink pane. There are several others on other panes, weakening the integrity of the whole window.

Other remaining funds are designated to support the cost of upgrading the restrooms.

Memorial Fund on January 1, 2021: \$9200.00

Purchased glass for hall doors \$678.80

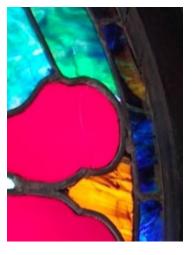
Memorial Fund on December 31, 2021 \$20,571.20

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Karlson Cindy Price







## 2021 Safety Committee Annual Report

The Church Council formed the Safety Committee to address safety issues within the Church. New By-laws were written to add this Standing Committee.

Five church members attended the county wide training presented by the Mesa County Church Safety Network Committee in Grand Junction on August 24, 2021. Pastor Anne serves on this board for Mesa County.

The first official meeting of the Collbran Church Safety Committee was held on Oct. 24, 2021 following worship service. Mike Loftus, Sveto Djokic, Miguel Yanez, and Lew Evans had volunteered to be on the committee and Sveto agreed to chair the committee. A total of nine interested members attended, and all had valuable ideas and suggestions.

Sue Bellotti presented an overview guided by the requirements of the United Congregational Church Insurance Board. It is a lengthy list including compliance in the following areas (in order to receive insurance coverage):

Disaster Preparedness; Social Media Surveillance; Slips, Trips, and Fall Hazards; Severe Weather; Boiler, Electrical; Roof; Active Shooter; Arson and non-arson related fire; Vandalism; Playground/Park; Pandemic

Out of this list, the Safety Committee's responsibility covers items directly related to the safety of the church and congregants. Trustees' responsibility covers building and grounds upkeep items. At this meeting, priorities were set as follows: 1) Install exit signs, 2) Install smoke alarms, 3) Install additional fire extinguishers where needed.

Sveto suggested that there be training and practice drills for shelter-in-place/lockdown and building evacuation in the event of fire. This will happen at a later date which will be announced to the congregation.

On Nov. 7, 2021, Sue Bellotti, Mike Loftus, and Sveto Djokic did a walk-through of the building (upstairs and downstairs) and a list was created for smoke detectors, exit signs, and fire extinguishers that will be needed, including the exact location where these items will be installed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sveto Djokic, Safety Committee Chair

#### Footnote:

As of January 9, 2022, all smoke detectors (12) and seven non-electrical exit signs have been installed. Pending is the installation of additional fire extinguishers and exit signs connected to an electrical source.

## 2021 Nominating Committee Annual Report

The Nominating committee shall consist of the outgoing members of the Council, meet before the annual Meeting prepare a slate of officers for the following year. The right of a member to make a nomination from the floor shall aways be recognized.

## COLLBRAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC 2022 ANNUAL MEETING NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>OFFICE</u>	<b>SERVED 2021</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT FOR 2021</b>	NOMINATION for 2022
MODERATOR*	CINDY PRICE	1 OF 1 YEAR	JULIA COX +
MODERATOR ELECT**	JULIA COX	1 OF 1 YEAR	TILDA EVANS
PAST MODERATOR***	JULIA COX	1 OF 1 YEAR	CINDY PRICE +
CLERK	MONICA KLINGLER	1 OF 1 YEAR	MONICA KLINGLER
TREASURER	SUE BELLOTTI	1 OF 1 YEAR	SUE BELLOTTI
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION****	SUE BELLOTTI SHANNON MURPHY/JULIA COX	1 OF 2 YEARS 2 OF 2 YEARS	JULIA COX +
MUSIC DIRECTOR	SUE BELLOTTI	1 OF 1 YEAR	SUE BELLOTTI
STEWARDSHIP CHMN	CYNDI LEINBERGER	1 OF 1 YEAR	CYNDI LEINBERGER
WOMEN'SFELLOWSHIP#	SUE BELLOTTI	PRESIDENT OF WF	ТВА
TRUSTEES****			
	SUE BELLOTTI	2 OF 2 YEARS	CINDY PRICE +
4 TRUSTEES Alternating	BERENICE YANEZ	2 OF 2 YEARS	JULIA COX +
every 2 yrs.	CINDY PRICE	1 OF 2 YEARS	
	JULIA COX	1 OF 2 YEARS	
STEWARDS****			
	JEAN KEES	2 OF 2 YEARS	LEW EVANS
4 STEWARDS	JEANNIE REEVES	2 OF 2 YEARS	BEVERLY LOFTUS
Alternating every 2 yrs.	SYLVIA SPANGLER	1 OF 2 YEARS	
	LOI HITTLE	1 OF 2 YEARS	

<sup>\*</sup>Elect for 1 year – not eligible for re-election for Moderator or Moderator Elect for 1 year

<sup>\*\*</sup>Elect for 1 year – automatically entered on slate of officers for position of Moderator

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Ex-Officio member – acts in advisory capacity to Moderator of Council

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Elect for 2 year alternating term. Ineligible for re-election to same office for 1 year.

<sup>#</sup>Women's Fellowship elects their own officers. President represents WF in Council.

<sup>+</sup> Using Article VI, CHURCH COUNCIL AND OFFICES, 6.4 to override Terms of Office