

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL REPORT 2009

Mission Statement:

Beulah Presbyterian Church is a congregation of God's people linked in mission to the world through the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). We exist to share the good news of Jesus Christ through worship, ministry and mission. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we study God's Word, seek justice for all people, care for one another and invite others to serve with us.

In this Annual Report of Beulah Presbyterian Church, we give thanks to God for the lives of these saints who have gone before us and have joined the Church Triumphant, in the year of our Lord 2009:

Mr. Charles T. Moore, February 5, 2009
Mr. Alton Wells, February 5, 2009
Mr. Robert H. Anderson, March 30, 2009
Mr. James P. Howell, Sr., April 29, 2009
Mr. Charles "Jim" F. Fox, May 5, 2009
Mr. Harold Edwards, May 6, 2009
Mrs. Jeanetta Mauney, June 16, 2009
Mr. James F. Gregory, July 9, 2009
Mrs. June Blizzard Priest, July 27, 2009
Mrs. Barbara Hoggins Holmes, August 3, 2009
Mrs. Iva Bates Dillingham, August 4, 2009
Mrs. Mary Rush McCaulley, September 18, 2009
Mr. Frank A. Korfhage, September 21, 2009
Mr. Fred W. Crawford, III, October 13, 2009
Mr. Warren H. McCaulley, October 19, 2009
Mrs. Doris Boes Farmer, December 20, 2009
Mr. William R. Boston, December 26, 2009

"Blessed are those who die in the Lord," says the Spirit. "They rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

Revelations 14:13

Beulah Presbyterian Church 2009 Statistical Report

Membership as of January 1, 2009	483
Gains in Members:	
Transfer of Certificate (Letter): Jodi & Michael Mitchell, Arthur & Phyllis Ringenberg	+4
Restored to Roll Denise Vitt	+1
Reaffirmation of Faith: Terry Johnson	+1
Baptism & Profession of Faith Nathaniel Meade, Madison Yates, Anna Biller, Austen Breetz, Tori Clements, Chad Hagan Stephanie Hargrave, Tyler Lindsey, Emily Ogle, William Poole, John Radar, Thomas Rock, Kelsey Rock	+13
Total Gains	+19
Sub-Total	502
Losses in Members:	
Transferred to another congregation: Blake Turner	-1
Deaths: Charles Moore, Alton Wells, Robert Anderson, James Howell, Jim Fox, Harold Edwards, Jeanetta Mauney, James Gregory, June Priest, Barbara Holmes, Iva Dillingham, Mary McCaulley, Frank Korfhage, Fred Crawford, Warren McCaulley, Doris Farmer, Bill Boston	-17
Total Losses	-18
<u>Total Active Members, December 31, 2009</u>	484
<i>Baptisms in 2009:</i>	
John Benard Willen, IV (infant)	7
Tyler Scott Lindsey (child)	
Mackenzie Linnea Mischel (child)	
Madelyn Reisz Mischel (child)	
Patrick Declan Flaherty (infant)	
Gavin Benjamin Schmidlapp (infant)	
Nathaniel Thomas Meade (adult)	

Year	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Membership, Beginning of year	483	482	481	527	533	538	546	546	589	584	589
Additions											
Adults	7	9	13	11	5	11	9	23	21	19	19
Confirmands	12	0		0	10	4	6	5	3	12	3
From Inactive	0	3	2	1	1	1	3	0	8	2	0
Total Additions	19	12	15	12	16	16	18	28	32	33	22
Deductions											
Transfer	1	-3	-5	-8	-10	-11	-17	-18	-18	-9	-9
Removed	0	-3	-3	-1	-2	-2	0	-4	-25	-7	-1
Deaths	17	-4	-5	-8	-10	-8	-8	-5	-13	-8	-7
Other	0	-1	-1	-41	0	0	-1	-1	-19	-4	-10
Total Deductions	18	-11	-14	-58	-22	-21	-26	-28	-75	-28	-27
Net Change	1	1	1	-46	-6	-5	-8	0	-43	5	-5
Membership End of Year	484	483	482	481	527	533	538	546	546	589	584
Baptisms											
Children - Infant	6	3	1	7	4	6	6	2	7	7	11
Youth			1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0
Adult	1		1	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	2
Total Baptisms	7	3	3	7	4	8	6	3	7	13	13

PASTORS ANNUAL REPORT – 2009

The year of our Lord 2009 marked the 141st year of this group of Christian believers we know as Beulah Presbyterian Church. That number reminds me of the faithful stewardship of those hundreds of people, some of whom we still remember, who have gone before us, who have faithfully served the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ, here at the corner of Bardstown and Beulah Church Roads. And even though we cannot remember them all, God does remember them all, as they are now part of the communion of the saints.

The stewardship of this mission and ministry, started 141 years ago, by others now long gone – that work now falls onto our shoulders. In the pages of this complete on-line published Annual Report, and in the Summary and Statistical/Financial Reports printed for the congregation, you will find stories and information about this work, and about the people who make this all happen – including you and yours. As your pastor, I remain most grateful for your partnership in this common ministry.

For me personally, the year 2009 marked my 15th year of service here as your pastor, which began on August 8, 1994. This year 2009 also marks my 25th year since my ordination to the ministry, on July 29, 1984.

I remember well the early days in 1994, when Judy and I were called as Co-Pastors; we arrived with our three children, at the time aged 7, 4 and 2. Now in 2010 Katie, who will soon be 23, has graduated from college and is job hunting. Jenny just turned 20 and is now in college, and in June, Andrew will be 18. How is this even possible, when I have hardly aged at all!

Back in 1994, the largely unspoken word at the time was, “Ken and Judy need to stay here as pastors until Andrew graduates high school.” Some things have changed along the way with that plan: Judy and I served together for ten wonderful years, and then she moved on to another call with the national church staff, and then to yet another call as Chaplain with Presbyterian Homes and Services of Kentucky. And me? I remained here as Pastor the next five years, bringing me to 15 years in 2009.

Early last year I realized that if all went as planned, Andrew would be entering his senior year of high school in the fall of 2009, and if all went well he would graduate in May of 2010. With this awareness I asked the Session, as well as the Committee On Ministry of the Presbytery (COM), to talk with the Session regarding my tenure here as pastor. While I very much wanted to remain as pastor here, and am still excited about the work I believe God is calling us to do in the years to come, I did not want to out stay my welcome, or be unaware of any rumblings in the pews regarding my time of service here.

The Session, led by the COM during a visit, expressed their support of my work here as your Pastor, and I was most grateful for their support. Then on Sunday, November 1, 2009, I was overwhelmed by the number of people in worship that day to celebrate these 15th and 25th anniversary years for me. And I nearly fell over when I saw the number of dollars on the gift check that you all presented to me that morning - \$100 for each of my 25 years of ministry! Wow! Along with cards and other gifts and expressions, I truly felt and still feel your support and encouragement in my work of ministry here. And so, with excitement for this work, and gratitude for all of you, we move forward - we progress - in mission and ministry into this new year. Thankful for you all, I remain,

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Ken Hockenberry

Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry

College Connections refers to the name of the college ministry here at Beulah. This ministry included a Collegiate Montreat Conference in January. The Montreat Collegiate Conference is a time for these young adults to take a break from their busy schedules and reflect on their lives as well as their relationships with God. The collegiate ministry also includes an adoption program. There were many college students adopted by members of the church to keep them connected to Beulah. These members sent packages, cards, or e-mails to the students to let them know that we were thinking about them and praying for them. In the spring, the Beulah Buddies collected supplies for care packages for all the college students. After the goodies were collected, the Beulah Buddies placed the items in boxes that were then sent to the college students. The items were donated by many members of the congregation. During their Christmas break between semesters, the college students gathered for a dinner to talk about plans for a white water rafting trip in 2010 and an adult mission trip for July 2010. It has proven to be a great ministry of this congregation and a way to keep the college students connected to Beulah.

During the school year, the **Middle School and High School Youth** groups met on Sunday evenings for Bible study, recreation, group building activities, or a mission project.

At the end of June, the **Middle School Youth** stayed at Beulah for four days to do some mission work at Beulah, Westminster Terrace, Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries, Presbyterian Community Center Kid's Café, and to help with Vacation Bible School at Beulah. The **Middle School Youth** and adults went to the Middle School Conference at The Presbyterian College in Clinton, SC. The youth and adults attended small groups for Bible study, planned recreation events and worship. This conference is a time for the Middle school youth to grow spiritually and to explore their relationship with God.

The **High School Youth** went to Montreat Conference Center to attend Youth Week #2 for Bible study, worship, fellowship, and group bonding. The conference was a time for spiritual growth for this group of youth. The **High School Youth** also traveled to St. Louis Urban Mission Camp in Missouri. We stayed at the First Presbyterian Church of Ferguson, Missouri. We worked in a nursing home, a food pantry, a homeless shelter, and a neighborhood to help with cleanup. It was an awesome and life changing experience for these young folks and adults.

The **Middle and High School Youth Groups** participated in the PYC lock-in at Walnut Street Baptist Church.

Together these two groups held their annual Pumpkin Patch fund raiser, which made nearly \$2200. This money will help lower the cost of the trips for the summer of 2010. The groups also held fundraisers at Culvers Restaurant and Aspen Creek Restaurant.

The youth and children have continued to be very involved in the Mission and Ministry of Beulah Presbyterian Church and the Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries. They provided food for 7 Thanksgiving baskets as well as spent approximately \$500 on Christmas gifts and food for a family of five children in need of help.

The youth were also responsible for collecting money on "Souper" Bowl Sunday for the Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries. They collected \$519 and 165 pounds of food. Once again, they participated in the Annual Community Hunger Walk, which helps with the problem of hunger in the Louisville area as well as other countries. Beulah had several walkers and collected \$665, which made us the 9th highest giver in the faith community total.

The Kids' Club (Kindergarten through 2nd grades) met during the Sunday school hour on Sunday mornings. They learned songs and Bible stories through various teaching methods such as computers, cooking, drama, art, and other fun activities.

Beulah Buddies (Grades 3-5) met during the Sunday school hour on Sunday mornings to learn Bible stories. This group also met the first and third Sundays of each month. On these days, the Beulah Buddies met for recreation or mission projects. They helped with the Thanksgiving Baskets for Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries and

Operation Shoe Box. Some of this group participated in the Annual Community Hunger Walk. During Advent, the group led the congregation in the lighting of the Candles on the Advent wreath.

Sunday School: Rally Day for Sunday School was held on September 13, 2009. The theme was "Great Clouds of Witnesses." We started with our traditional Pancake Breakfast followed by a time to meet the teachers and learn about the adult classes. There are many adults who have committed to teaching Sunday School. The adult classes choose their own material for their classes. The Middle School and High School Youth have been using the *We Believe* Curriculum published by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). All of the children's classes have been using the "We Believe" curriculum that is written and published by the Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.). The Kids' Club (K-2nd grades) and Beulah Buddies (3rd-5th grades) met together to read the Bible story and talk about it. They met in the Chapel behind the sanctuary. The chapel has been cleaned up and renovated into a nice prayer chapel. After the gathering time, the two groups go to different workshops to learn more about the Bible story. The workshops included cooking, art, computers, music and worship, and drama.

The success of the Christian Education programs and the youth programs is due to the many wonderful volunteers and parents that give generously of their time, talents, and often finances as well as a supportive and hard working Christian Education Commission. It definitely takes many hands to make the programs at Beulah successful and I am always looking for more volunteers.

In 2009 I became a Certified Christian Educator in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Thank you all for your support and encouragement during this process.

Terry Hargrave, Certified Christian Educator
Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry

Director of Cross Cultural Ministries Coming Home to Beulah

Since my visa status had been changed to student visa in August 2008, I went to Murray, KY to serve the Murray Korean Presbyterian Fellowship. There were around 50 attendees including college students and residents. Most of them were international students: Korean, Taiwanese, Chinese, Malaysian, Japanese and some Caucasian. Even though their mother tongues were different, they met for worship and shared the love of God with each other. I prepared a sermon and worship liturgy in English and Korean. It was very challenging for me to prepare a bilingual sermon every Sunday. After one year of serving at Murray, I came back to BEULAH, my home church in the U.S. Now I appreciate even more Pastor Ken's sermons and our worship services.

Coordinating English Class with Susan Ryan, sponsored by Mid-Kentucky Presbytery

The Hispanic/Latino Commission and the Mission Unit of Mid-Kentucky Presbytery joined together to sponsor an (ESL) English as Second Language Class here at Beulah. Classes were offered from October 5 to November 11 on Monday & Wednesday evenings for the fall semester.

Susan Ryan taught the English class at the spring semester and coordinated the class for the fall semester. With her coordination, the Beulah English class was upgraded. There were 22 adults and 19 children registered and the average attendance was 10 adults and 8 children.

Beulah English class this time was very successful due to a great coordinator (Susan Ryan), main cook (Brook Seymour), teachers (Ramona Woodcock, Bob Magruder, Rebecca Ritchey from J-Town, and Nancy Aibel and Carol Faust from Hopewell), volunteers (C.W. Seymour, Terry Watson, Suzi Crisco, Laura Mills and Sami Taylor) and all the support from Beulah.

Welcoming Korean College Students, Making Louisville Great City

Beulah has hosted Korean college students since 2006 during the winter season. As a part of an exchange program between the Presbyterian Men's Association of the Presbyterian Church of Korea and the Presbyterian Men of the Presbyterian Church (USA), 11 students and 3 adult leaders visited Louisville, KY, February 3rd through 5th last year. The Flanigan, Hargrave, Keith, Leach, Mitchell, Ryan, and Tackett families shared their love, home and culture with the Korean college students. Each year I heard from the students that the hospitality of Beulah hosts was beyond their expectations and that Louisville was a great city.

Dream Drama Team

With a rotation model of Beulah Sunday school for children, Jane Tackett and I led the Drama Class. There was more than a 50-year age gap between the children and Mrs. Tackett. There were huge cultural gaps like generation, schooling system, hobbies, favorite music and games between the children and me. It was very hard for me to lead a drama class, speaking English as a second language, with little children, but I tried very hard and felt as if these drama classes were a great success. Jane brought tools like a hammer and wood, bricks, etc. for the drama class and all children enjoyed the class. All children participated in role playing. The children, Jane and myself became one dream drama team.

Heart Moving

Thursday morning, November 3rd, I presented and defended my dissertation for 2 hours successfully. Our congregation congratulated me with much applause. One month later, I brought to the congregation the great news: *"It is to notify you that your application for permanent residence has been approved. It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to permanent status in the United States."* When Ken read the notice of my green card from immigration office, I will never forget that our congregation let out a cry of pleasure. Without the support of Pastor Ken and Beulah, I could not have gotten my doctoral degree and green card. My study and ministry are dedicated to you all.

Heeja Han

Director of Cross Cultural Ministries

Beulah Music Program

In the spring of 2009, Virginia and Jack Copley officially came onboard the staff of Beulah Presbyterian Church. They shared the responsibility of conducting the choir, Virginia led handbells, and Jack played piano for the instrumental ensemble and Virginia joined the ensemble as a flautist. The choir sang the majority of Sundays throughout the winter, spring, and fall, as well as the first Sunday of each of the summer months. In addition, they sang on Maundy Thursday and two services on Christmas Eve. A children's ensemble joined the choir on Palm Sunday, and the women of the choir sang on Mother's Day, while the men sang on Father's Day. In April, the choir also joined the choirs of the churches affiliated with Fern Creek Highview United Ministries for an evening of sharing favorite anthems. Fall rehearsals resumed mid-August, and Cantata rehearsals began with a "Christmas in September" potluck at the home of Bill and Sue Kyle. Also in September, the choir hosted an "Open House" for anyone in the congregation to sing along with them on Homecoming Sunday.

The instrumental ensemble added additional musicians this year, including two saxophonists and a flautist. They played three times in the spring, including Easter and Pentecost, and two times in the fall, including the second Sunday in Advent. In addition, Steve Clements continued to add his leadership to the instrumental ensemble with his experience as a high school band director. They rehearsed on selected Wednesday evenings at 6:15 p.m.

The handbells practiced on the first and third Sunday afternoons of the spring and fall months. They played twice in the spring, including Easter and Pentecost, and once in the fall, including the fourth Sunday of Advent. Throughout the year, various people shared in special offerings of music during worship. The Beulahtones, a women's ensemble, sang, Steve Clements played the trombone, Christie Tompkins sang, Susan Ryan played flute, Bill Kyle sang, a guest trumpeter played on Easter morning, and two guest trumpeters played on the third Sunday of

Advent. The Copley's sang during the two evening fundraisers for Fern Creek Highview United Ministries, and Doug Jones accompanied throughout. As always, Pat McGee faithfully organized the choir library.

In order to save money, the Copley's continued to utilize a mix of anthems from the church's music library along with new pieces interspersed. Also, the Worship Committee agreed to continue having the Christmas Cantata during Sunday morning worship. This allowed for some of the older members of the congregation, who do not like to drive after dark, to participate. They chose the Sunday of the Christmas dinner, in hopes of encouraging turnout at both worship and the dinner.

Deacon's Report

Love of God and of our Beulah members describes our deacons. Each of our ten active deacons is assigned homebound members with whom they keep in touch by telephone, visits and/or cards. Plus, the Deacon of the Week visits those in the hospital and/or Nursing Home. We also serve communion to our homebound members. This year, 1,179 contacts were made with members...some of these are individuals who might otherwise have not had any interaction with Beulah. The deacons are contacted almost daily by email about our members in need of prayer and personal interaction so they are kept up-to-date on our members.

The deacons are all very dedicated to serving the members of Beulah and each one feels called to serve the Lord and our church.

Martha Stepro
Deacon Coordinator

Beulah Preschool

Our preschool offers four different classes. The three-year-old class and two four-year-old classes meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We had a five-day class in 08-09. After a parent survey, the decision was made to have a four-day, four-year-old class, Monday-Thursday in place of the five-day class. The preschool staff is Carla Wood, director; Christy Maier, assistant director and music teacher; Kim Shircliff, teacher; Cathy Long, assistant in the three-year-old class; Beverly Burt, Karen Nord and Stephanie Mulvey teaching the four-year-old classes. We also added two assistants in September - Kim Goff and Sherry Choat to help us fulfill all of the new licensing requirements. Current enrollment is 63 students in the four classes.

The staff had CPR and First Aid training this year along with our 15 hours of required training. The licensing inspection in September went very well.

The preschool staff is responsible for cleaning all preschool rooms during the school year.

In November we added a fall "fund raiser," the preschool/church yard and craft sale. It was decided it is a good addition and should be done annually. Our regular sale was the first Saturday in March. Both sales were successful. Items left after the sales were picked up by Wayside Mission Bargain Center, almost filling their truck both times.

Baby Jesus gift program - the children are encouraged, but not required, to bring in baby gifts to put under the Christmas tree in the preschool wing. These items are delivered to FC/HUM before Christmas. In addition, at some point during the school year, all of our classes walk to the FC/HUM Adult Day Center to sing for the folks there, taking along cards for them that they have made. We also decorated the FC/HUM tree for Light Up Fern Creek again this year.

"Lunch Bunch" meets from 12-2 most Wednesdays. All of the preschool staff work on an as-needed basis to cover the lunch bunch time. The staff is compensated out of the lunch bunch fee.

Last summer we were fortunate enough to benefit from the visiting youth group from Montoursville, PA. The preschool purchased materials and they provided labor and experienced workers. They replaced a counter and an air conditioner in Ms. Burt's room, removed old shelving, patched and painted Ms. Nord's room, cabinets in both rooms were reinforced, and they weeded and hauled about \$1,000.00 of mulch onto the playground! In appreciation for their work, the preschool provided a meal and an evening of swimming for the group. All preschool staff also worked to improve the preschool area. The preschool paid Mr. Mulvey to buff the hall floors in both the education wing and the Ramsey building.

Pastor Ken, Terry and Heeja taught for our chapel time. This class meets four times during the year. Pastor Ken and/or Terry welcome families at our Christmas and Graduation/Spring Programs. All of our classes also had a chance to meet and learn from our Korean student visitors.

Registration opens each year on February 1 to church members and current preschool families and opens to the public mid-February.

In 2009 the Preschool contributed \$400.00 to the air conditioning-parking lot fund.

Beulah Preschool is a mission of Beulah Presbyterian Church. It is under the supervision and guidance of the Christian Education Commission. A budget is submitted each August for their approval. They also approve and recommend to Session any hiring or significant changes in the preschool policies. All of us in the preschool work hard to be a valuable representative and mission of Beulah Presbyterian Church. We are grateful for the encouragement and support we receive from the Christian Education Commission, Pastor Ken and the congregation!

Beulah Preschool Calendar - Fall 2009

September 24 - Police officer visits
September 29-30 - School Pictures
October 1 - Slow Poke Farm Trip
October 5-6 - No School
October 15 - Chapel
October 13 - Fire Truck Visits
October 29 - Halloween Parade and Parties
November 5 - No school
November 12 - Chapel
November 24 - Beulah's Great Feast 10:30
November 25-26 No School – Happy Thanksgiving
December 16 - Christmas Program 10:30am
December 17 - Christmas Parties 10:30am
December 18 – January 4 - No School - Happy Holidays!
January 5 - Back to school
January - Phone Conference Month
January 13 - PJ Day
January 18 - No School
January 28 - Dad's Night
February 1 - Registration open to current preschool families
February 4 - Chapel time
February 11 - Valentine Day Parties
February 15 - No School
February 22-25 - Heart Unit
March 4 - Chapel Time
March 18 - Mother's Tea
April 4 - Easter Egg Hunts

April 5-9 - No School - Spring Break
April 15 - Stage One Trip
April 22 - Conferences (No school)
May 5 - Volunteer Appreciation Day
May 6 - Field Day
May 18 - No School
May 20 – Spring Program 7:00p.m. & Last Day of School

Carla Wood
Preschool Director
Estimated Financial Value of donations:
Baby Items \$250.00
Yard Sale donations to Wayside Christian Mission \$1400.00

Christian Education Commission

The responsibility of the Christian Education Commission is to work with the Director of Christian Education, Terry Hargrave, in planning and implementing the educational programs at Beulah. It is also our responsibility to recruit, train, and approve all teachers, helpers and curriculum. Our responsibilities include the programs for the children and youth, such as the Middle School and High School program, Vacation Bible School, Kids' Club, Beulah Buddies, Sunday School and Wednesday Evening program. We also supervise and secure workers for childcare. Details about these programs can be seen in other reports found in the Annual Report. We also oversee the Beulah Preschool directed by Carla Wood.

Additionally, the CE Commission has the responsibility of overseeing and coordinating activities for the Ben Watson Youth Ministry Fund and of overseeing the library.

This year we continued a rotational workshop format in the children's Sunday school which includes teaching modules using computers, puzzles and games, drama, arts and crafts, and cooking.

This summer Katie Hockenberry led Vacation Bible School.

The Commission also sponsored a session of the Financial Peace University which was lead by Virginia Copley. Additionally, Evelyn Vaughn and Bobbie Lombard volunteered to organize and maintain the church library.

We would like to say thanks for all the volunteers for their time and commitment because without volunteers, there would be no programs!

Jane Poole
Chair of the CE Commission
Terry Hargrave
Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministries

Ben Watson Youth Ministry Fund

Out of great loss, faith lights our way to hope.

This fund supports youth mission trips and conferences through individual assistance and by helping pay for group transportation costs. The Christian Education Commission has worked to build a foundation for the future. This year we:

Held two major fundraising events.

Spring Event – Putt Putt “Fun” Raiser that generated \$1,730.00

Fall Event – Chili Cookoff and Silent Auction that generated \$3,220.75. The community was asked to donate and was invited to this event.

Continued building the enduring fund. Twenty-five percent of all funds generated are set aside for this fund. This year \$1,277.69 was contributed. The balance in the enduring fund as of 12/31/2009 was approximately \$5,370.41.

Paid for transportation costs for the middle and high school mission trips, for the middle school conference in Clinton, SC and for transportation for the college conference in Montreat, NC. The total amount paid for all was \$2,765.33.

The current balance in this fund is \$3,904.54.

The congregation continues to be very supportive of this fund and their hard work and donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for helping to prepare the way for the young people in our church.

Jane Poole, Treasurer

Adult Sunday School Classes

Adult Bible Study Class

September of 2009 marked the beginning of a new Adult Bible Study Class, led by Ken Hockenberry and Charlie Stirsman. We met in the Beulah Room (upstairs, Ramsey Building) on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour. Currently we are focusing on the basics of Bible Study – using materials from *The Thoughtful Christian*, a PCUSA online curriculum which features a variety of topics. We have studied the historical, culture, and literary context of the Bible, using Bible texts and study materials. In 2010 we will look at such topics as “When and Why the Bible Was Written” and “Books That Didn’t Make the Bible and Why.” We invite you to join us!

Ken Hockenberry & Charlie Stirsman

Conversation’s Class

In 2009 we studied material from two books – *Why Bad Things Happen to Good People*, by Harold Kushner and *Jesus Interrupted* by Bart Erhman. *Jesus Interrupted* particularly generated a lot of discussion. The author challenged the way we normally study the Bible by introducing us to the historical-critical method of Bible study. We not only learned to consider the historical references in which each book of the Bible was written, but also the point the author was trying to make and how it may differ from other books of the Bible.

As a service project, the class collected money to donate to a family of the Montana Crow Agency. Bob Penick, a class member, has worked with the Crow Agency in the past. This fall he accompanied the Wayside Mission Choir to Montana where they met and helped the family by doing home repairs.

Our class is welcoming to everyone. We open our hearts and discussions to the very young adults as well as the very young at heart.

Linda Denny
Class Member

The Fidelis Class

In 2009 we completed our study of Great Themes of the Bible, Volume 1, by W. Eugene March. March explored selected subjects that appeared throughout the Bible. His discussion of these great themes brought us to a deeper knowledge of the foundation of biblical faith. He presented a view of scripture that held both testaments together as a single witness to God's saving activity. This was a great book for anyone looking to study scripture.

During the Lenten season we began a six-week Lenten Study called Gospel Portraits of Jesus from The Thoughtful Christian. This study explored a number of names and titles for Jesus in the four Gospels. The course was challenging, nurturing and inspiring as we engaged in discussions about significant biblical concepts and key portions of the Bible, primarily the Gospels.

We are currently studying Great Themes of the Bible, Volume 2, by Sarah S. Henrick. She traces several of the most important themes of the Old and New Testaments and demonstrates how important they are for our life today. Key themes such as death, faith, justice, love and resurrection are discussed as they emerge in the Old and New Testaments. There are a number of discussion questions at the end of each chapter relating the text to today's world.

The Fidelis Class meets in the Fireside Room of the Ramsey Building at 9:30 each Sunday morning. We invite you to come and join us.

Claudia Zoll, Nancy Leach and Verna Williams
Co-Teachers

Fellowship & Membership Commission

The Fellowship & Membership Commission has a variety of activities that we coordinate. We organize activities to enhance the connection our members have to Beulah. Every Sunday morning a member of the commission brews pots of coffee and sets out goodies for everyone to enjoy. Every time we partake of communion, someone from this commission has lovingly prepared the Lord's Supper for us to share.

In January we hosted a dinner for over 30 Korean students who were in the United States for an exchange program.

Our annual church picnic at Camp Cedar Ridge was in July. We had a very large turnout with great weather. This year's activities included canoeing and archery.

In September we had our Homecoming dinner celebrating Beulah's 141 years of ministry.

In November we hosted a Ministry Appreciation Reception in the Fireside Room honoring Pastor Ken, Terry, Jonathan, Virginia, Jack and Doug. This also commemorated Ken's 25th anniversary of ordination and his 15th anniversary with Beulah. Through the generosity of the congregation, we were able to present Ken with a very sizable monetary gift. We also assisted with the Chili Cook-off.

The year 2009 came to a shining end with our annual catered Christmas Dinner in the Ramsey Building. Sharing this meal together were 180 Beulah members and friends.

Brian Hagan, Chair
Fellowship & Membership Commission

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women (PW) is a church-wide organization whose membership is open to all women in the PC (USA) that choose to participate in or be supportive of PW in any way. Presbyterian Women in the Beulah congregation exists to build community, raise issues and concerns and to channel information to and from PW in the Mid-Kentucky Presbytery. PW gives strong support to the mission of the church but determines its own leadership, programs and budget.

The 2009 PW Coordinating Team was made up of the following women: Moderator - Helen Sarver; Secretary – Jane Tackett; Treasurer - Jane Flanigan; Historian – Jane Tackett; Spiritual Life and Stewardship – Terry Hargrave; and Leadership, Resource and Mission Interpreter – Ethel Wilkerson. Circle Representatives are also members of the Coordinating Team. They are: Circle Too – Phyllis Bunnell; Deborah Circle – Jane Flanigan and Lucy Herman; Esther Circle – Terry Hargrave. The Council meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:30am in the Library. The Council does not meet in May, June or December. The PW Year-End Treasurer's Report is included as a separate page in this annual report.

Circles are small groups that gather regularly to provide an inclusive, caring community of women. They meet monthly at Beulah or in the homes of members. Each circle decides its summer schedule. There is a monthly Bible study. This year's study is *Joshua, A Journey of Faith* by Mark Mikhael.

A PW Meal Fund provided meals for five Beulah church families during their time of bereavement. The circles provided 54 meals to church members following their hospital discharge, birth of a baby or periods of continued illnesses.

During 2009, we supported the following groups with our mission giving: Bellewood Children's Home, Buckhorn Children's Home, Cabbage Patch, Camp Cedar Ridge, Church Women United, FC/HUM, Furlough Home, Habitat for Humanity, Living Waters for the World, Presbyterian Community Center, PCUSA Mission Fund, Presbyterian Seminary Bookends and Wayside Christian Mission for Women. Our mission giving is located on the PW 2009 Year-End Report which is included as a separate page in this annual report.

There were mission opportunities through women's pledges for support of the mission of the Church Worldwide. The PW creative ministries include two special offerings: the Birthday Offering and the Thank Offering. We collected, with the congregation's help, \$997.45 for the Birthday Offering in late April and \$665.00 for the Thank Offering in November. Our Christian Community Mission opportunities are the Fellowship of the Least Coin and Church Women United.

We sponsored or participated in a large variety of activities. A Valentine Luncheon was given for all women of Beulah, daughters, granddaughters and friends. Our entertainment was a one-woman play, "The Pink Lady," presented by Louise Epperson. The play was about the life of Helen Douglas.

Beulah PW was chosen to participate in the field testing of the 2010-2011 *Horizons* Bible study of *Journey Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today* by Barbara Rossing. As field testers, we read and evaluated the manuscript as we would study any other *Horizons* Bible study. We are working closely with Ashley Meyer, PW Associate Editor at PCUSA headquarters. This field testing began in late October 2008 and ran through late February 2009. The eight women participating in the *Horizons* field testing are Janet Azinger, Larryetta Ellis, Terry Hargrave, Pet Metzger, Helen Sarver, Jane Tackett, Ethel Wilkerson and Verna Williams.

Six women attended the Mid-Kentucky PW Spring Gathering at Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church in late March. Those women attending were Phyllis Bunnell, Jane Flanigan, Marlene LeBlond, Helen Sarver, Jane Tackett and Verna Williams. Mary Hockenberry attended the Mid-Kentucky PW Fall Gathering at Westwood Presbyterian Church in mid-October.

Helen Sarver and Verna Williams attended the 2009 Churchwide Gathering from July 11-15 at the Louisville Convention Center. The theme for this year's Gathering was "God Will Do Wonders Among You." Many Beulah members volunteered their time before and during the Churchwide Gathering. Nine gift cards (totaling \$180.00) were collected from our church family and taken to the Gathering. They were donated to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Bellewood Presbyterian Homes for Children.

The PW Coordinating Team and several circles made baskets and or donated gift certificates for the Fall Festival in late October. Fifty shoe boxes were filled and donated to Operation Christmas Child by Beulah members.

We donated 250 bars of soap for the Church World Service health kits. We collected 189 hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and stuffed animals for the Warm and Fuzzy Tree. These items were distributed to FC/HUM and Presbyterian Community Center. Our Tenth Annual Cookie Walk totaled \$735.25. Two-thirds of the amount was donated to Heifer International and one-third will help update some landscaping here at Beulah.

The Praying Hands Ministry grew out of the desire to express prayers and give comfort to those in special need. As each comforter is made, silent prayers are offered for someone in special need. The comforter is then given to that person. No two comforters will be alike: some may be knitted, some crocheted, some quilted and some sewn. There were 27 prayer comforters made this year with the help of 11 anonymous people.

Beulah's Presbyterian women have responded to God's love for us through many hands-on mission projects. Many of these projects have already been listed. Many women have volunteered countless hours helping many schools, libraries, hospitals and organizations such as Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries, Meals on Wheels, Senior Care Experts, Cabbage Patch, Presbyterian Homes Inc. (including Westminster Terrace), Crusade for Children, Hearing Loss Association of America and Operation Smile.

Every woman at Beulah is invited and encouraged to become a member of a circle. Circles offer opportunities for fellowship, caring and service. They are an avenue for reaching out in Christian love and concern for others, both locally and around the world.

Helen Sarver
PW Moderator

Beulah Book Club

The Beulah Book Club began in April 2004 with five members. It has met the second and fourth Wednesdays, January through October and the 2nd Wednesday of November. Although it began meeting in the Ramsey Building, the book club soon moved to the church library.

Ten avid readers have attended in 2009; we read 21 books, bringing our grand total to 128. Members suggest titles, and the group agrees as we strive for a balance of light, serious, classic, contemporary, mystery, non-fiction and historical. Most of our choices are available in the public library, and some are also available in large print. New for us this year has been the donation of 57 books to Beulah's library; of those, 27 are book club titles.

We invite all who enjoy reading to join us; we can discuss anything and have done so; we can laugh about our choices and admit we might not have read a particular book had it not been for book club and we can freely say our greatest joy has been getting to know our companions. Our titles are always in the Sunday bulletins; see you on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 1:30.

Evelyn Vaughn

Library

Plans for refurbishing the library began in August 2009. With the help of Pastor Ken, outdated materials were identified and sent to LPTS for use or book sale. The remaining volumes were consolidated, and several new categories were added: young adult, large print and book club. In addition, the children's and fiction sections have been expanded. Thanks to donations from members and a budget allowance from the Christian Education Commission, many new titles are now available. (Due to limited space, there are no multiple copies unless the duplicate is in large print.) More exciting titles will be appearing in 2010, and suggestions are always welcome. Plans also involve a "Join Us and Browse Coffee" before and after Worship January 24.

Bobbie Lombard & Evelyn Vaughn

Art Group

Art Group meets on the second Tuesday of the month 6:30-8:30 in the middle school Sunday school room on the second floor of the Ramsey building. A dedicated group meets each month to learn and practice techniques of mixed media art. These are techniques that can be used in card making, scrapbooking, art journals, collage, and all forms of paper crafts. A great time is had by all, giving expression to our creative sides. Everyone is welcome, middle school aged to adult. Try something new this year, come join the art group!

Linda DeSanto

WOW (Wings of Wisdom)

OAM (Older Adult Ministries) was renamed WOW in the fall of 2009. A contest was held to decide on a new name for this group. Names were submitted, the congregation voted and WOW was chosen as the winner. WOW had a fun trip to Derby Dinner to see "Joseph and the Amazing Techno Color Dream Coat" on September 30. The second fun trip was to the Bristol Restaurant for a great lunch and then on the Actor's Theatre to see "Greater Tuna." WOW has plans to meet every two months during 2010 to do something enjoyable...potluck with games, fellowship, trips, movie night, and other interesting activities. Stay posted!

Heeja Han & Jane Tackett

Mission & Outreach Commission

The Mission and Outreach Commission members for 2009 were Amy Durham, Cheryl Hill, Tim Lovett, Evelyn Vaughn, Rhonda Woodcock, Carla Wood, Verna Williams, Jodie Yates and Jonathan Jones (ex-officio).

The Commission promotes and supports mission activities through outreach in the congregation, the community and around the world.

The Commission collected or participated in the following projects:

- Supported General Mission--Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly
- Collected books, magazines and clothing for the Presbyterian Community Center's Day Care
- Collected 220 pounds of food for Portland Avenue Presbyterian Church
- Continued to support FC/HUM through the collection of food and money on the first Sunday of each month.
- Commission members brought canned goods to commission meetings to support FC/HUM.
- Forty-two blankets, twelve winter coats and twenty jackets were collected. Two blankets were given out at Beulah, the rest given to Wayside Christian Mission.
- Sponsored and supported our Seminary Student, Jonathan Jones.
- Sponsored an extension of call for Jonathan during the summer of 2009.
- A generous amount was given out in Local Mission support.
- Participated in a Church-Wide Offering of Letters for Bread for the World.

- Promoted and participated in Habitat for Humanity
- Promoted and participated in Church-Wide Special Offerings: One Great Hour of Sharing, Peacemaking, Christmas Joy and Pentecost.
- Mailed postcards to new residents in four zip codes inviting them to worship.
- Promoted collecting Cents-Ability at Homecoming and the Christmas Dinner. We collected almost a \$100.
- Instrumental in finding individuals to collect the "Who's Who in the Pew" pads.
- Supported Portland Avenue Presbyterian Church financially after a fire destroyed their building.
- Participated in a full Mission Study led by Mike Porter, Church Consultant.
- Continued to encourage members to pay their per-capita.
- "Mission and Progress" updates were given in Worship to encourage support to designated causes that included Wayside, Bellewood, Buckhorn, PCC, and others.
- Continued to participate in the Simplified Christmas Giving. We collected \$2,685 in 2009.
- Collected over 56 pounds of food plus cleaning supplies for Animal Care Society.

We thank all who shared in and made possible the many mission and outreach programs.

Verna Williams, Chairperson

Praying Hands Ministry

The Praying Hands Ministry began in 2007 with 10 members. Over the years we have had several members who have "paid forward" by making comforters, given material, and/or money for the purchase of supplies. A very special thank you goes out to all of them. Our ministry grew out of the desire to express prayers and give comfort to those in special need. To date we have made and dedicated over 70 comforters.

Comforters have been made for those facing surgery, those in nursing homes, the home bound, the gravely ill, senior citizens at Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries and for our military men. As each comforter is made, silent prayers are offered. No two comforters will be alike; some may be knitted, some crocheted, some quilted, some sewn, and some hand tied. The comforter will then be dedicated during a Sunday worship service. Those who wish to do so will come down, place their hands on the comforter and pray silently. These comforters are a statement of faith and a testimony to our belief in God and in the power of prayer.

Perhaps you would like to be involved in the Praying Hands Ministry; or maybe you or someone you know is in special need of comfort. If so, please contact Bobbie Lombard, Evelyn Vaughn or Joyce Bonn.

Bobbie Lombard

Stewardship Commission

The Stewardship Commission currently has the following members: Bob wood, Bill Flanigan, Chris Breetz, Jack Hill, Joy Straub, Marie Fledderman and C.W. Seymour. Volunteers also assist us.

As always we attempt to maintain the interior and exterior of our facilities while trying to control our expenses. Below is a list of some of the projects we have completed:

- Repaired roof leaks almost monthly. Currently getting estimates to determine what it would cost to permanently fix this problem.
- Purchased our own, up-to-date lawn mowing equipment and did this work in-house thus saving money as compared to using a lawn service.

- Upgraded the Ramsey Gym wiring and circuit breakers.
- Upgraded the playground and various classrooms. A youth group from Montoursville, Pennsylvania performed a lot of this work.
- Obtained a \$4845.00 refund from L.G.E. for a meter error. Bill Flanigan caught this problem.
- We are currently in the process of replacing the preschool and basement doors with single metal doors. The preschool door will allow handicap access and both doors will save energy costs. We obtained a grant for \$6500.00 to help defer the costs of this project.

The following projects were started in 2009 but not completed:

- Replacement of the fire hydrant in our parking lot
- Installation of a hand rail from parking lot to church
- Upgrading the phone system and completion of the entry doors.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS ISSUES BY AREA
MAINTENANCE ITEMS **By Bill Flanigan**

2009

MAIN CHURCH

Jan	Replaced and/or repaired aluminum panels at each end of Sanctuary (wind damage) Safe-co insurance paid \$2841.49 against a claim of \$ 2974.00
Mar	Repaired light under balcony (Flanigan) N/C
May	Shut-down furnaces for the summer.
JULY	Replaced transformer in main A/C unit board (Auto-Matic Air \$374)
Aug	Replaced gear in lock (double door into lobby (Cook) \$100.00
Aug	Replaced vacuum sweeper \$330.00
Oct	Repaired gutter on Beulah Church side (damaged) Noland Roofing \$250.00
Oct	P M Hot water system (furnace) and start-up Thermal Equipment \$400.00
Oct	Replaced shingles below old chimney (Noland Roofing) \$500.00
Nov	Temporarily repaired window in Fellowship Hall (Flanigan)
Nov	Renewed P M on new A/C Automatic Air Corp. \$130.00 thru 10/01/10
Nov	Installed weather stripping on front Sanctuary Doors \$150.00 labor & material
Dec	Taped over gaps between front double doors (Flanigan) n/c
Dec	Adjusted water thermostat in vestibule heaters

C.E BUILDING

Jan	Replaced ballast in light fixture Women's Rest Room (Toby) \$15.00
Jan	Replaced ballast in light fixture Nursery (Bob Wood) \$15.00
Mar	Painted heater in boy's restroom (Toby)
May	Replaced ballast in light fixture (2) blue hall (1) small hallway (Flanigan) \$45.00

Shut-down furnaces for summer

May Replaced ballast boy's restroom downstairs (Flanigan) \$15.00

JUNE Replaced A/C in Burt's class room (Bob Wood) preschool purchased

July Mission group from Montoursville weeded playground, spread mulch, built counter

Aug Burt's room, removed A/C from window, designed, placed supports under cabinets

Nov Installed weather stripping on east end double doors \$150 Schiller Hardware

Nov Start up steam system, replace necessary parts (Thermal Equipment) \$300

Dec Installed new door in basement - \$3640.40 (Schiller Architectural Hardware)

Dec Installed new auto-matic door on west end (handicap) \$6784.00 (Schiller Hardware)

OFFICE

Feb Zone line (AC/HTR) in Pastor's office needs repair or replacement. Analyze problem \$291
smart board and thermostat needs replaced. (later)

Feb Clocks repaired in Library and Lobby (thanks Charlie Parris (N/C)

Feb Replaced coupling in pump No 2 (Thermal Equipment) \$200.00

Mar. Repaired water leak in Pastor Ken's office (Noland Roofing) \$150.00

Mar. Replaced ceiling tile in Pastor's office. (Flanigan) N/C

April Replaced thermostat Terry's office (Pastor Ken) N/C

Aug Replaced ceiling tile in Pastor's office. (Flanigan) N/C - box of tiles \$50.00

Sept Replaced ceiling tile in Pastor's office. (Flanigan) N/C

Nov Repaired (3) water leaks above Lobby - Noland Roofing \$500.00

Nov Installed (4) window lights in office hallway doors - \$400.00 Schiller Hardware

Dec Repaired water leaks (roof) Pastor Ken's office \$311.00 - Noland Roofing

RAMSEY BUILDING

Jan Installed new (4plug) receptacle between kitchen door office door (Huck) \$43.27

Jan Replace drain pipes in all (4) urinals (Toby/Huck) \$74.63

Feb Replaced light switch in kitchen next to Gym door, added 2-plug receptacle (Huck)
Installed shelf for radio and extra coffee pots (Huck) \$20.00

Mar Replaced ballast in light fixture (boy's restroom downstairs) Huck/Flanigan \$15.00

Mar Replaced flush valve in toilet (women's rest room) Flanigan/Toby \$15.00

April Replaced transformer in exhaust fan (Gym left side) Bob Penick N/C

May Painted window frames (inside) upstairs and down (Toby)

AUG A/C in Fireside room needed attention - condensate water backup. Drain tube,
filters changed (Flanigan, Vaughn, Clements) \$75.00 for filters

Aug Replaced fan motor in condenser (A/C) Memorial Rm. \$546.24 Auto Air

Added freon to a/c. Fireside Room \$214.24 Thermal Equip
 Washed out all 4 A/C condenser units (Flanigan)
 Sept Power washed shed and ramp on side of Building in preparation for painting
 Nov Replaced (3) thermostats in Gym \$40.00
 Nov Painted the doors and frames and ramp (Ramsey Gym and Shed) Bob Penick
 Nov Replaced Furnace for kitchen & Fireside room \$2300.00
 Repaired the guttering around the shed. Bob Penick
 Dec Painted Fireside Room – Flanigan/Magruder - \$50.00 (paint)
 Dec Upstairs furnace (south side) Replaced Sensor Igniter \$480(Thermal Equip)

OUTSIDE

Feb Parking lot plowed (Scott King) \$250.00
 Feb Stacked tree debris from trees (ice storm) H.S. / M.S
 Feb Cut down (5) cedar trees in front by steps and stacked for pick-up.
 Feb Had gas meter checked for errors. (high gas usage in Jan and Feb) LGE
 MAR Cleared debris from church grounds after ice storm (HS / MS)
 Mar Rebuilt portable sign (attached wheels and welded braces to sides) \$60
 Secured in ground (brackets welded to rebar and bolted to sign rails)
 April Replaced lawnmower (Zero-turn), trimmer, blower \$4600.00
 June Repaired brick wall in front of church (Huck/Flanigan) \$???
 June Repaired walk-behind mower for small mowing areas - Flanigan donated.
 AUG Trimmed hedge around front of old church, below nursery windows (Penick).
 Replaced post on bridge Flanigan/ Huck \$12.00
 AUG Spread (4) truck loads of mulch on playground (Mission group) Preschool
 paid for mulch
 Work Day - 10 people
 SEPT Power washed court yard, old stones in front of sanctuary (seats),
 walkways, steps, shed, ramp - (Flanigan)

Large dollar categories

LINE ITEMS							
41	40	42	43	43	43	46	43
Util/phone	Debt Retm't	Insurance	Repair/Maint	Htg--a/c	Lawn/lansc	Office suppl	Roofing/Repair
\$32,398	\$ 14,628	\$ 5,495	\$ 24,122	\$ 5,480	\$ 6,736	\$6,389	\$ 4,810

TOTAL	\$	93,725	
BUDGET	\$	87,540	
DELTA	\$	(6,185.00)	OVER BUDGET

Note: We spent \$7600.00 for Lawn and Landscaping in 2008 (including snow removal), This year (2009) we spent \$7647 including the purchase of a used, zero-turn mower, new weed trimmer, and blower for \$4620.

The above figure 2009 (\$7647) includes parts, supplies, service and fuel for the equipment plus five applications of weed and feed, and \$911 for labor to operate equipment.

Committees of Beulah Church

Mission and Ministry Funding Committee

The Mission and Ministry Funding Committee (a mouthful to say for sure) is a committee of the Session, responsible for the process for any and all efforts that will help “fund” the “mission and ministry” of Beulah Presbyterian Church. Most of their efforts are focused on the Funding Campaign (sometimes called the “Fall Stewardship Campaign”) which usually takes place in the fall and early winter of each year.

Our Campaign Theme for 2010 was, and is, “This Is My Gift” – taken from the Apostle Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians (9:15): *Thanks be to God for this priceless gift!* The gift of Jesus Christ our Lord, the gift of faith, of life itself – all of it comes from God, and it is priceless!

A “Gift Card” (in prior years, a Pledge Card) and a CD presentation of the mission and ministry of Beulah Church was mailed out to our members. The congregation responded generously: over 115 gift card pledges were received, resulting in a projected pledged income of around \$270,000. Additional anticipated contributions from members who regularly give (but do not make a pledge to the church) is estimated to be around \$36,500. The overall total was a bit less than 2009 (about \$20,000), which is due in part to the overall economy and the loss of several long time church members who died in 2009. New pledges were also received from new members and visitors.

Thanks to committee members for their faithful service: Cheryl Hill, Brian Hagan, Marie Fledderman, Bob LeBlond, John Hirsch, and Ken Hockenberry (staff).

Ken Hockenberry

Nominating Committee

The members of the 2009 Nominating Committee include: Brook Seymour (Chairperson), Laura Mills (Co-Chairperson), Martha Stepro, Charlie Stirman, Barbie Turner, Evelyn Vaughn and Pastor Ken Hockenberry.

Elders elected for the Class of 2011 were: Chris Breetz, Linda DeSanto, Shirley Herbert, Heather Mohn, Helen Sarver, Ron Vaughn, Lori Witherspoon, Bob Wood, Ramona Woodcock, and Aden Breetz (Youth Elder).

Deacon elected for the Class of 2011 is: Michele Varley Raymor

Commissioners for the class of 2011 include: Bridget Breetz, Jane Davis, Vicki King, Shelly Leach, Bob Magruder, Peggy Parris, Timothy Raymor, Art Ringenberg, Minae Rogers, Beth Shufflebarger, Rhonda Woodcock, Tori Clements (Youth), William Poole (Youth), and Sami Taylor (Youth).

Committee Members include:

Personnel (Class of 2011) Shirley Herbert, Bill Kyle and Dick Lombard
Nominating (Class of 2011) Matt Leach, Barbie Turner and Evelyn Vaughn
Worship (Class of 2011) Jodi Mitchell and Jane Poole

The committee is still in the process of filling positions for the Mission and Ministry Funding Committee which hopefully will be completed in early 2010.

The Nominating Committee as well as the entire congregation gives thanks to those outgoing elders, commissioners and committee members. Thanks to all for a job well done!

Brook Seymour
Chairperson

Personnel Committee

The Personnel Committee is a sub-committee of the Session. The purpose is to provide a liaison between the paid staff members and the Session of the church, perform annual written reviews of all paid staff members and make recommendations to the Session regarding any personnel changes. The committee strives to provide an environment of open communication among all members of the staff. This is accomplished by addressing any and all concerns in a sensitive, timely manner. Members of the congregation with any personnel concerns are encouraged to discuss them with any member of the committee.

In the fall of 2009, we welcomed David Campbell to replace Toby Magruder as our permanent custodian. We also welcomed Heeja Han back as our Director of Cross Cultural Ministry.

Committee members for 2009 were: Dick Lombard, chairperson, Steve Clements, Chris Breetz, Verna Williams, Marie Fledderman, Jennifer Hagan, and Allyn Ryan.

Dick Lombard, Chairperson

Worship Committee

The Worship Committee is a sub-committee of the Fellowship & Membership Committee and is chaired by an elder from that commission. The members of the Worship Committee are as follows: Jane Flanigan, chair, Rev. Ken Hockenberry (staff), Steve Clements, Jack and Virginia Copley, Jane Keith, Jane Poole and Christie Tompkins.

The committee met four times in 2009 to discuss the order of worship for Beulah Presbyterian Church. This included Sunday to Sunday events, communion dates, times of worship, special services, including music, Chancel Choir concerns, and Hand Bell Choir. We began a new tradition for Easter by having a "Flowering of the Cross." Steve Clements made a very beautiful wooden cross, which was covered with chicken wire, allowing flowers (real and artificial) to cover it making a beautiful, colorful cross which enhanced our worship service on Easter morning. Jonathan Jones was our seminary student for nine months.

The Worship Committee is a hard-working group of people who are interested in any concerns of the congregation.

Jane Flanigan, Chairperson

Other Fellowship Activity

Bridge

This group of eager bridge players meets every Wednesday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon on the second floor of the Ramsey Building in the room adjoining the kitchen. Not all participants are Beulah members. New players are always welcome! If you enjoy playing bridge, come join us. If schools are closed because of the weather, bridge is cancelled.

Bill Flanigan
Player

Sponsoring Organizations

Girl Scouts

There are two troops that meet in the Ramsey Building, second floor from 10:00-11:00a.m., on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays. A Daisy Troop (1st graders) meets on the 1st Saturday of the month and a Junior/Cadet Troop (5th & 6th graders) meet on the 3rd Saturday. Their leader is Leigh Santoro.

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts

Troop 77 has its charter through Beulah Presbyterian Church. Through this mission, Troop 77 has its office and storage unit as well as their meeting hall made available to them in the old Fellowship Hall. The troop meets every Tuesday night from the beginning of September until the end of June when they return from summer camp. Their meetings are from 7-8:30 p.m. Troop 77 has produced many Eagle Scouts.

Cub Scout Dens meet weekly in the Fellowship Hall from September through June.

Beulah Presbyterian Church – Staff Information Page

January, 2010

“The Staff at Beulah Church, in my view and expectation, all serve a ministerial or pastoral function, along with the particular areas of responsibility within their job descriptions. Some may see this as less efficient, and in one sense they are quite correct. However for me, the most important work of a church staff has to do with relationships - those within the staff, and the staff, church leadership, and congregation members together. During my service here, this has been my staff philosophy, and I believe it continues to serve us all well.” – Ken Hockenberry, Pastor.

Beulah Church is blessed with an able, well educated and trained ministry - pastoral staff.

Ken Hockenberry has served as Pastor of Beulah for 15 years – since August of 1994, working as Co-Pastor with Judy Hockenberry from August of 1994 to April of 2004 (Judy currently serves as Chaplain at Westminster Terrace and Pastor of Buechel Presbyterian Church). Ken holds a Masters of Divinity Degree from Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey, a Bachelor of Music Degree from Grove City College in Grove City, Pennsylvania, and a Certification in Homiletical (Preaching) Supervision from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. He served as Pastor of Onondaga Hill Presbyterian Church from 1984 to 1994. In July of 2009 Ken will be in ordained parish ministry for 25 years. He currently also serves as Stated Clerk for the Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky, and as Adjunct Faculty at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Preaching, Worship, and Practical Theology in Congregations.

Terry Hargrave has served as Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministries since November of 1998. In January of 2010 she received her full Certification as a Christian Educator in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Terry holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Clemson University in South Carolina, and a Master of Arts degree in Christian Education from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Prior to coming to Beulah, Terry served as Director of Christian Education at St. John Presbyterian Church in New Albany, Indiana. She is currently taking course work to become a Certified Christian Educator in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.),

and is a POINT person (interpreter) for the new *We Believe* Curriculum of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Terry was ordained an elder in the Presbyterian Church in 1994.

Jack Copley has served as Minister of Music since September of 2008. Jack holds a Doctor of Ministry in Pastoral Counseling from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, a Master of Divinity from Baptist Theological Seminary of Richmond, and a Bachelor of Music Education from Morehead State University. He is an ordained minister in both the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Jack serves full-time as a Marriage and Family Therapist Associate in Carrollton, KY, working with children who have been diagnosed with a severe emotional disability. Prior to this, he served as pastor at Crestwood Christian Church in Crestwood, KY from 2004 through 2008 and as a minister of music and small groups at Trinity Baptist Church in Lexington, KY from 2001 to 2004.

Virginia Copley was officially added as Co-Minister of Music in the Spring of 2009. Virginia has a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Kentucky and a Bachelor of Music, Vocal Emphasis, from the University of Tennessee. She has served as Director of Music consistently since 2001 with congregations in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and Baptist denominations. Virginia is a Financial Advisor with PNC Investments, and was pleased to facilitate a Financial Peace University class at Beulah in 2009.

Doug Jones has served as Church Organist / Pianist since August of 2008. Doug has also been the past Music Director and Organist at Beulah from 1999-2006. Doug holds a Masters in Church Music from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky; a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; and level 3 Orff-Schulwerk certification from the University of Kentucky. Doug taught elementary general music in the Jefferson County Public Schools from 1999-2008. Doug currently lives in Lexington, Kentucky where he is a full-time PhD candidate in music education at the University of Kentucky. He also teaches general music part-time at Yates Elementary School in Lexington.

Carla Wood has served as Director of Beulah Preschool since 1988. Prior to service as Director, Carla was a teacher on the Preschool staff beginning in 1983. Carla holds a Bachelors Degree in Education from Cleveland State University. Before joining the preschool staff here, Carla served as a teacher with the Adath Jeshurn Preschool, as teacher and Director of the Beargrass Christian Church Mother's Day Out Program, and taught at the Hurstbourne Baptist Church. Carla continues to assemble, serve and direct a most able preschool; the reputation of Beulah Preschool is very high in the community.

Heeja Han served as Director of Cross Cultural Ministry here at Beulah since 2006, and since the fall of 2008 has been serving as a supply preacher / pastor for the Korean Language Students at Murray State University. Heeja still volunteers with our English as a Second Language program, leading Presbyterian Women events, assisting in worship and visitation, and helping us all become more aware of the larger world around us. Heeja is a graduate of Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary, Seoul, Korea, from which she holds a Bachelor of Arts, a Masters of Divinity and a Masters of Arts. She also holds a Masters of Theology from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and is very close to completing her Doctor of Education Degree at Spalding University. Heeja has been in the United States for nearly six years, and hopes to remain here for the foreseeable future.

Beulah is also blessed to have an able, well experienced, and caring support-pastoral staff:

Carol Daugherty has served as Secretary and then as Administrative Secretary since October of 1987 - over 23 years of service. Carol graduated from Southern High School, and completed the Medical Secretarial Program at Sullivan Business College, graduating in 1967. Prior to serving at Beulah, Carol worked for General Electric for six years as an executive secretary. Carol has taken on increased job responsibilities here due to changes in the staff in mid-2004. Carol serves very well in clerical and administrative support to the rest of the staff, arranges the usage schedule of our buildings, and enables much of the mission and ministry of Beulah to happen.

Jeannie Koerber has served in various capacities, as Clerk/Typist, Secretary, Financial Secretary and now as a Book Keeper / Receptionist, since February of 1979. This is 31 years of part time and then full time service to Beulah. Jeannie graduated from Bloomfield High School, attended David Lipscomb College, and graduated from Bryant and Stratton Business College here in Louisville. Prior to her service here at Beulah, Jeannie worked for Blue Cross – Blue Shield of Kentucky, Wachovia Bank and Trust, and Johnston Brown Municipal Bond Company. Jeannie serves now in a reduced time schedule. Still, Jeannie gives great service to Beulah in the area of book keeping, pledged giving, tracking, and projections of future giving based on her vast knowledge of giving trends.

David Campbell joined the staff at Beulah in August of 2009, serving as the Church Custodian for all church buildings. David is retired from General Electric where he served in a number of capacities, including management positions.

Jim Barbour has served as Custodian at Beulah for the Ramsey Building since June of 1994 – a job he only thought he would have for one year! In January of 2006 Jim left that position but has continued to serve as our Ramsey Gym Attendant, opening and closing the gym for most all of our basketball and other groups, which requires a flexible schedule.

Carole Nagle has served as our regular Nursery Sitter, caring for infants and children here at Beulah since 1999 – coming up on ten years of service here! Carole has also served as a Teaching Aide in the Jefferson County Public School System, and has recently moved into the Cafeteria / Kitchen Service area. Parents and younger children are most grateful for a consistent and familiar person to care for their young children here at Beulah. Carole also gives nursery care during our 5:00 Christmas Eve worship service, and during various Educational program events.