

# Pilgrim Congregational Church

DULUTH, MINNESOTA

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ORGANIZATIONS

PRESENTED AT

THE ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 20, 1965

## OUR COVENANT

We are united in striving to know the will of God as taught in the Holy Scriptures, and in our purpose to walk in the ways of the Lord made known or to be made known to us. We therefore join and covenant with each other to worship, work and serve together as loyal disciples of Jesus, to live among our fellow men a life of righteousness and brotherly love, and to do all within our power to promote the reign of God's will in all human relations.

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# REPORT OF THE CLERK

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On January 1, 1964 the membership of Pilgrim Church was

900

New members during 1964:  
On Confession of Faith  
By Letter of Transfer  
Reaffirmation of Faith

21  
5  
5 31

Members lost during 1964:  
Removed by death  
Letters of transfer granted

17  
27 44

Net loss in membership during 1964

13

Total membership as of January 1, 1965

887

Transferred to inactive roll by vote of  
The Board of Deacons

29

Total active membership as of January 1, 1965

858

Of this total 760 are resident in Duluth and 98 are non-resident.  
During the year 10 births were recorded and 17 children and young people were baptized.

Members lost by death were:

Mr. George L. Wilson  
Mrs. Edward F. Burg  
Miss Clara L. Blodgett  
Mr. Lester Gessner  
Miss Helen E. Cant  
Mrs. O. L. Berby

Mrs. Fred E. Stout  
Miss Laura MacArthur  
Mr. Alonzo W. Taylor  
Miss Miriam Thoirs  
Mr. Robert H. Mickelsen  
Mr. Eugene H. Harbison

Mrs. Fred C. Elston  
Miss Anna May Kimball  
Dr. Arthur T. Laird  
Mr. Alfred J. Lewis  
Mr. Alex D. Chisholm

Letters of Transfer were issued to the following persons:

Mrs. Bert N. Wheeler to Wilton Congregational, Wilton, Connecticut  
Philip K. Priest to First Baptist, Medford, Massachusetts  
Mr. and Mrs. Irvin L. Karlstad and Dennis to The Colonial Church of Edina, Minneapolis  
Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm E. Gillespie to Community Presbyterian, Rice Lake, Wis.  
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Ryan to The American Church, Caracas, Venezuela  
Mr. and Mrs. James E. Kent to Wesleyan Methodist, Duluth  
Mr. and Mrs. James T. Stark to Lakeside Presbyterian, Duluth  
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lounsbury to Market Square Presbyterian, Harrisburg, Penna.  
Thomas Congdon to First Plymouth Congregational, Englewood, Colorado  
Mrs. Roger J. Thomas to First Congregational, Oshkosh, Wisconsin  
Mrs. Helen Naslund to First Congregational, Santa Barbara, California  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Schmidt to Saint Charles Presbyterian, St. Charles, Mo.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Imsdahl to Buffalo Presbyterian, Buffalo, Minnesota  
Jeffrey M. Smith to Christ Presbyterian, Madison, Wisconsin  
Mr. and Mrs. Donald LeMasurier to Glen Avon Presbyterian, Duluth  
Mrs. Beth Dunder Burg to Chester Park Evangelical United Brethren, Duluth  
Mrs. Robert Barfitt to First Methodist, Duluth.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Eaton, Clerk

## NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED DURING 1964

March 26

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Harkey  
2819 East First Street

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Hollen  
3701 Crescent View Avenue

Miss Anna Jenks  
211 N. 33rd Avenue East

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. McKain  
1903 Kent Road

### Confirmation Class

Karen Brownell  
Craft Dryer  
Gary Eagles  
Douglas Fifield  
David Griffith  
Brian Halliday  
Dale Heimbach  
Paul Jacobson  
Frank Livingston  
James Nichol

Laurel Norman  
Babs O'Dell  
Joan Radford  
Katherine Rhode  
Mark Shefchik  
Peggy Lee Shively  
Jonathan Spencer  
Susan Underdahl  
Judith Weyl

May 31

Mr. Joseph L. Saver  
2126 East Fifth Street

December 6

Mr. and Mrs. Moy Fook Gum  
143 Occidental Boulevard

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Leek  
1618 Vermilion Road

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## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Voting in Pilgrim Church on the question of becoming a part of the United Church of Christ was completed February 5 and at a special business meeting of the church that evening the Clerk reported on the election results, stating that there were 304 valid ballots cast in favor of the question and 291 valid ballots cast in the negative. On this basis the Clerk declared that the church had voted to become a part of the United Church of Christ.

Miss Ruth Alta Rogers retired September 1st on pension evidencing the high regard the church continues to hold for her. A very well attended reception was held in her honor on June 1, 1964 at which time she was presented a gift. Miss Rogers has been an eminent leader in musical circles in Duluth for many years and served Pilgrim Church as organist and choir director since 1919.

Replacing Miss Rogers was Mr. Donald H. Andrews who came to the church as organist and choir director on September 1st. Mr. Andrews is well known to Duluthians, having served as organist and choir director at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Duluth from 1954 to 1961. He has already shown that he is well qualified to carry on the high musical traditions of Pilgrim Church.

On September 6, 1964 the church authorized the purchase of the Hearding property at 2305 East Third Street to provide additional facilities for the church school programs, and, the long range viewpoint, this property may be of great value in other ways.

Your Historian would again like to remind the members of the approaching 100th Anniversary of our church to take place in 1971, and will always welcome any information, written or oral, which anyone might have so that he can turn over such material to the person who will be preparing the 100th Anniversary history.



3.  
The historical records of Pilgrim Church are carefully filed in one central location. There is a file of annual reports of the church and a complete file of bound church bulletins. There are records of previous anniversaries, pictures and newspaper clippings of church events in books and folders in the central historical file maintained in the church.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Dickerson, Historian

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Members of the Board of Deacons for the year 1964 were: Dr. Warren J. Brooker, Dr. Keith R. Fawcett, Robert L. Heller, Dr. Valworth R. Plumb, Robert B. Rhode, Robert M. Smith, Bruce Buchanan, John Grandy, Leonard E. Griffith, Fred M. Harlow, George S. Holgate, Ralph Knowlton, John Z. Dahl, Percy G. Dunbar, Dr. M. M. Fifield, Axel H. Herbert, Milton H. Prince, and Fred E. Stout, Jr.

The Board held 12 monthly meetings during the year and its several members have participated in meetings of the Church Council and the Standing Committee.

Many matters concerning the spiritual life of the church have been discussed at the Deacons' meetings which summarized are as follows: Church worship services, music, ministerial assistance during vacation, time of worship, participation in joint campus ministry, Church situation, and position of the United Church Herald in the recent election.

Letters were written to the church membership concerning the position of the Pilgrim Congregational Church in respect to our membership with the United Church.

The deacons are grateful to the retiring deacons, Messrs. Robert M. Smith, Dr. Keith Fawcett, Robert L. Heller, and Ellis Livingston who has served in the place of Mr. Heller during his absence from the city on special assignment for the University, for their many services and heartfelt concern for the Church during their years of service.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert B. Rhode, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Members of the 1964 Board of Trustees were: Hubbell Carpenter, Howard Clarke, Mrs. G. A. W. Hedenberg, Harry Neimeyer, Samuel Radford, Thomas Shefchik, Douglas Walker, Willis Wyard, and Werner Zentner.

Pilgrim Church is in good financial condition. We closed the year with all obligations paid and with a small balance in the General Fund. It would appear that the Church lost about \$8,000 in unpaid pledges for 1964. We ended the year, however, in the black by carefully watching and reducing expenses and by the generosity of about fifty members who voluntarily increased their 1964 payments.

In September the church voted to acquire the Hearding property at a cost of \$13,000. Necessary repairs and renovations came to \$3,132. The entire cost, \$16,132, has been met by contributions of over 100 members in response to a letter from the Trustees. The Meining Bequest of \$5,000 and the McCoy Bequest of \$500

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were applied toward the purchase of this property. A contribution of \$2,000 from the Women's Fellowship helped substantially with the renovations.

Our church property, including the church edifice, parsonage, the Tioga Street house and the Hearing property, are in good repair. There is no indebtedness on any property owned by the Church. During 1964 the Treherly Fund was used to complete payments for the Tioga Street parsonage.

The Loyalty Day Campaign was very successful under the able leadership of Axel Herbert. Three hundred and thirty-two pledges were received for \$62,920. This amount combined with anticipated income from loose offerings, Women's Fellowship, special offerings, etc. completely underwrites the proposed budget for 1965.

The Trustees express their deep appreciation to Axel Herbert and those who assisted him in the Loyalty Day campaign for the efficient way in which the campaign was conducted. Nearly all of the pledges were on hand before the December meeting of the Board.

On the basis of the pledges and other anticipated income the Trustees recommend the adoption of the budget for 1965 as proposed at the time of the Loyalty Day campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Walker, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE LOYALTY DAY COMMITTEE

The Loyalty Day Committee has completed its work and made its report to the Trustees December 11. Thanks to the splendid response of the members and the promptness with which pledges were sent in we were able to conclude the campaign a month earlier than usual.

As of January 12 we had received 332 pledges for a total of \$62,920.80. This amount added to the anticipated income from Loose Offerings, Church School, Women's Fellowship, rental service charges, etc. is sufficient to completely underwrite the proposed budget for 1965.

Of the 332 pledges received 25 were new pledges, totaling \$1,087; and 148 were increased over the 1964 pledges a total of \$15,619.20. This was a truly remarkable response on the part of our members. All but 20 of these pledges were received without any personal follow-up by members of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Axel H. Herbert, Chairman  
The Loyalty Day Committee



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota

Proposed 1965 Budget for Local Expenses

|   | 1964            | 1965            |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>MINISTRY</b>   |                 |                 |
| Salary of the minister, annuity fund dues, car expense,<br>minister's discretionary fund, guest speakers.   | \$12,715        | \$12,715        |
| <b>CHURCH OFFICE</b>  |                 |                 |
| Salaries of secretary, part-time financial secretary,<br>office supplies, postage and printing, and office<br>equipment.  | 8,378           | 7,342           |
| <b>MUSIC</b>  |                 |                 |
| Salaries of organist and choir director and youth choir<br>director, sheet music, care of the organ, choir fees,<br>pension for Miss Rogers, and miscellaneous.   | 6,289           | 6,100           |
| <b>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</b>  |                 |                 |
| Church school curriculum materials, church school supplies,<br>audio-visual materials, equipment, Bibles for the third<br>graders, Pilgrim Fellowship expense, leadership training,<br>Director of Christian Education. | 6,872           | 7,003           |
| <b>PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION</b>   |                 |                 |
| Salary of the caretaker, caretaker's supplies, utilities,<br>fuel, repairs, insurance, housekeeping expense, and<br>parsonage utilities and services.   | 20,331          | 19,043          |
| <b>GENERAL EXPENSE</b>  |                 |                 |
| Printing bulletins, literature, publicity and advertising,<br>contribution envelopes, delegate expense, and miscellaneous.  | 3,075           | 3,075           |
| <b>DEPRECIATION FUND</b>  |                 |                 |
| To provide a fund to care for major repairs and replace-<br>ments when such needs arise.  | 2,000           | 2,000           |
| <b>AMORTIZATION FUND</b>  |                 |                 |
| Payments on the contract for deed for the Tioga Street<br>parsonage.  | 1,200           | 1,200           |
| <b>Total for Local Expenses</b>   | <u>\$60,860</u> | <u>\$58,478</u> |

1964

9,000

1965  
\$ 6,700

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER - 1964

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## RECEIPTS

|                                     |          |                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Individual Contributions            |          | \$60,169.43      |
| Loose Offerings                     |          | 1,694.38         |
| Church School Offerings             |          | 418.69           |
| Women's Fellowship for General Fund |          | 500.00           |
| Women's Fellowship for Benevolences |          | 500.00           |
| Rentals                             |          | 423.00           |
| Special Offerings - Easter          | 1,225.60 |                  |
| Thanksgiving                        | 1,148.38 |                  |
| Christmas                           | 776.50   |                  |
| Special Projects                    |          | 3,150.48         |
| Other Unbudgeted Income             |          | 14,186.73        |
|                                     |          | <u>10,522.64</u> |

91,565.35

## DISBURSEMENTS

|  |  |           |
|--|--|-----------|
| Ministry   |  |           |
| Salary of the minister, annuity fund dues, car expense, minister's discretionary fund, guest speakers.   |  | 12,586.32 |
| Church Office  |  |           |
| Salaries of secretary, part-time Christian Education secretary, part-time financial secretary and stenographer, office supplies, postage and printing, and office equipment.   |  | 7,456.74  |
| Music  |  |           |
| Salaries of organist and choir director and youth choir director, sheet music, care of the organ, choir fees and miscellaneous.  |  | 6,165.93  |
| Christian Education  |  |           |
| Salary of the Director of Christian Education, director's car expense, conference expense, church school curriculum materials, church school supplies, audio-visual materials, equipment, Bibles for third graders, Pilgrim Fellowship expense, leadership training, and library books and supplies. |  | 6,264.40  |
| Property Maintenance and Operating Expense   |  |           |
| Salary of the caretaker, caretaker's supplies, utilities, fuel, repairs, insurance, house-keeping expense.   |  | 18,885.67 |
| General Expense  |  |           |
| Printing bulletins, literature, publicity and advertising, contribution envelopes, delegates expenses, per capita dues, coffee hour and miscellaneous.   |  | 2,519.99  |
| Depreciation Fund  |  |           |
| To provide a fund to care for major repairs and replacements when such need arises.  |  | 2,000.00  |
| Amortization Fund  |  |           |
| Tioga Street Parsonage   |  | 800.00    |



# Special Projects

12,317.72

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Other unbudgeted disbursements  
Transfers from Memorial Fund  
Transfers from Church Vocations  
Scholarship Fund  
Gift for Miss Rogers  
Transfer from Meining Fund  
Miscellaneous

1,354.75  
1,275.00  
938.50  
5,408.00  
670.60

9,646.85

## Benevolences

Minnesota State Conference  
Board for World Ministries  
Board for Homeland Ministries  
Pension Boards  
National Association  
Chicago Theological Seminary  
United Campus Christian Fellowship  
Union Gospel Mission  
Duluth Council of Churches  
Minnesota Council of Churches  
National Council of Churches  
World Council of Churches  
International Christian University  
Congregational Historical Society  
Minn. Council of Churches Bldg. Fd.  
World Service (Easter & Thanksgiv.)  
Ministerial Relief (Christmas)  
Northland College (Easter)  
Designated gifts for State Conf.

2,552.00  
1,123.00  
1,123.00  
306.00  
980.00  
500.00  
400.00  
200.00  
20.00  
50.00  
50.00  
50.00  
50.00  
25.00  
800.00  
1,873.98  
759.50  
500.00  
300.00

11,662.48

90,306.10

## SUMMARY CASH STATEMENT

Balances January 1, 1964

General Fund  
Special Projects Fund  
Deacon's Fund

776.60  
285.50  
103.24

1,165.34

Receipts in 1964

Advance payment on 1965 pledges

91,565.35  
15,371.00  
108,101.69

Total Cash

Disbursements in 1964

90,306.10

Balance December 31, 1964

17,795.59

Balances, December 31, 1964

General Fund  
Special Projects Fund  
Deacon's Fund  
Advance payments on 1965 pledges

166.84  
2,154.51  
103.24  
15,371.00

17,795.59

# SEGREGATED FUNDS

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The following funds are on deposit at the First American National Bank in separate accounts.

## Depreciation Fund

Balance January 1, 1964

### Receipts

Interest

2,296.17

Allocation from 1964 budget

212.32  
2,000.00

2,212.32  
4,508.49

Disbursements

Roof repairs

753.83

Balance December 31, 1964

3,754.66

## Church Vocations Scholarship Fund

Balance January 1, 1964

### Receipts

Interest

998.91

From Memorial Fund

47.42

Women's Fellowship

145.50

Men's Club

250.00

100.00

542.92  
1,541.83

Disbursements

Chicago Theological Seminary

1,275.00

Balance December 31, 1964

266.83

## Meining Fund

Balance January 1, 1964

### Receipts

Interest

5,200.00

208.00

5,408.00

Disbursements

Hearding House

5,408.00

Balance December 31, 1964

0.00



# Memorial Fund

Balance January 1, 1964

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3,963.29

## Receipts

Interest

105.03

Gifts in memory of

Mrs. C. D. Steele  
George L. Wilson  
Miss Helen Cant  
Rollo N. Chaffee  
Mrs. O. L. Berby  
Mrs. Fred E. Stout  
Miss Clara Blodgett  
Mrs. Thomas Gall  
Mr. and Mrs. James Walker  
Mrs. Roger M. Woodbridge, Jr.  
Alonzo W. Taylor  
Robert H. Mickelsen  
Miss Anna May Kimball  
Alex D. Chisholm  
Dr. Arthur T. Laird  
Alan Hedenberg  
Mrs. Oscar Mitchell

954.05

1,059.08  
5,022.37

## Disbursements

Church Vocations Scholarship Fund  
Name Plate for Walker Window  
Bombard stop for organ  
Pulpit for Chapel  
Chapel Bible  
Interest on Salter Fund to  
Church Vocations Scholarship Fund

1,510.64

3,511.73

Balance December 31, 1964

Memorial Fund

Salter Memorial

1,511.73  
2,000.00

3,511.73

## Special Projects Fund (segregated in checking account)

Balance January 1, 1964

285.50

## Receipts

Individual Contributions  
Women's Fellowship

12,186.73  
2,000.00

14,186.73  
14,472.23

## Disbursements

Taxes UCCF property  
Electric mimeograph  
Thermofax Machine  
Purchase, Hearing property  
Renovations and repairs to Hearing property  
Special contrib. for UCCF 1965 budget  
New toe studs for organ  
Snow blower  
Carpet for kindergarten classroom

12,317.72

Balance December 31, 1964

2,154.51

## REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

9.

This has been a year to be remembered for the Women's Fellowship. Our membership has decreased but a magnificent spirit of cooperation has existed and eager and willing hands and hearts have done the work it has been our privilege to do.

We have had nine meetings during the year. We normally do not meet in July and August and we used the December meeting day to prepare for our Food Fair. The devotional programs at each meeting were significant and the programs furnished for our entertainment enlightening and interesting, many of them consisting of a showing of slides made by members of the Church while on trips abroad.

Our budget for the year 1964-1965 was advisedly reduced from \$3,560 to \$2,955, the principal reduction being in our gift to Northland College from \$500 to \$250. We hope this will not be a permanent item and that we will be able to increase it another year.

The various committees have continued their work as in past years; Friendly Service Committee sew as for many years each Thursday and this year have sent seven large bags of clothing to Church World Service, St. Louis, and three cartons of used clothing and of Christmas gifts as well as 11 layettes to Congregational Centers for distribution. An annual contribution is made to the Casa Mia Settlement House in Naples and a sum of money was sent to Delmo for educational help for deserving young people without funds.

Through our Community Interests Committee the Women's Fellowship financially assisted the following agencies in Duluth: Rehabilitation Center, Y.W.C.A. and Girl Scouts, The Union Gospel Mission and the American Field Service. Volunteers from individual groups assisted with mending at Northwood Children's Home and again contributed cookies and sandwiches for U.S.O. parties.

In June of 1964 the eight groups of the Fellowship were reorganized and due to the decrease in active membership, only seven new groups were formed.

During the year the Women's Fellowship membership was proud and happy to be able to make the following gifts:

- \$2,000 to Pilgrim Church to assist with the cost of renovating the Hearing House
- 675 to Sung-chul Ji to repay debts incurred as a result of his sister's illness and death
- 250 toward Pilgrim Church Scholarship for a first-year student at Chicago Theological Seminary
- 500 to Northland College.

Our fund-raising projects during the year included a fabric sale conducted by our members for the North Shore Manufacturing Company, a Food Fair and luncheon which took the place of the Annual Bazaar of former years, a breakfast for the Matinee Musicale, a tea for the D.A.R., a luncheon for the Northeast Regional Conference of the Retarded Children's Association.

We were privileged to serve a reception for Miss Ruth Alta Rogers, our organist for many years, on the occasion of her retirement and to serve a luncheon at the time of the Northeast Association Christian Education Workshop held at Pilgrim Church and a dinner to delegates at the time of the Association Meeting in April.

At Christmas time gifts of homemade cookies and several Halverson Christmas trees were distributed to sixteen shut-in members of the Church.

A responsibility of the Women's Fellowship assumed during this year is the Coffee Hour on the second Sunday of each month, following the worship service. This innovation seems well received and is prepared by the group whose duties for that month consist of table-setting and serving at whatever function occurs during



that period.

Our sincere appreciation is extended to the Church staff for their splendid help during the year and to Dr. Halfaker for his guidance and inspiration.

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Respectfully submitted,

Edith R. Matzke, President

#### REPORT OF THE PILGRIM MEN'S CLUB

Our Men's Club has 55 members this year. Meetings were held on October 13th and November 10th with an attendance of 40 at each meeting. Our next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, February 9th, at 6 P.M. when we will feature an especially fine dinner and program for our guests, the ladies.

Our Executive Committee, consisting of Percy Dunbar, Keith Brownell, John Adams, Dr. Gordon Amundson, Jesse D. Bradley, Stephen W. Collins, Dr. Malcolm Fifield, and Milton Prince, has had several meetings in an effort to help our Club have a more successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

Percy G. Dunbar, President

#### REPORT OF THE PILGRIM FELLOWSHIP

This past year Pilgrim Fellowship has been involved in several rewarding activities. There has been a greater enthusiasm to enlarge on the meetings and try new ideas.

The cabinet includes eight members, four of whom head one of the four groups for planning discussions, worship services, and dinner. In this way the responsibility is shared by all of its members and participation is greater. Cabinet meetings are held once a month to schedule activities and discuss any difficulties.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Engstrom have been our advisors for the third year. They have been very helpful and enthusiastic in their work.

This year our activities have been considerably varied. We began the year with a very successful parents' night. About sixty-five attended the dinner, presentation of slides by A.F.S. student Margaret O'Dell, hootenanny, and worship service. This was mainly a program designed to show parents what our goals were and to get to know one another better. Mr. Jackson Huntley, an English and speech teacher at East High School, spoke to us on the responsibilities of teachers toward their students and vice versa. This proved especially interesting to the group. Both Dr. Halfaker and Mr. and Mrs. Currier presented a program of beautiful slides of Europe on separate nights.

In November the Pilgrim Fellowship sponsored a chili supper to raise funds for our treasury. This money is being used for special programs and joint meetings and will also be used for missions.

Future plans include a continuation of discussions in which we, as young people, are trying to understand ourselves and others, a meeting with Peace and Morgan Park churches on February 7, a joint meeting with Endion, Glen Avon, and St. Paul's Episcopal churches, and a retreat or canoe trip in the spring.

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Thus, Pilgrim Fellowship has seen another active, rewarding, and successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Zentner, President

#### REPORT OF THE UNITED CAMPUS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

This year has been one of remarkable transition in the life of the United Campus Christian Fellowship. Through the able leadership of the UCCF Advisory Committee a new concept of organization for the campus ministry in the Twin Ports has developed. Under this plan a full-time campus pastor was called to serve UCCF in the Twin Ports and on the Iron Range. A metropolitan ministry is now developing to serve all the institutions of higher education in the area.

Joining in the sponsorship and financial support which have traditionally come from various Duluth churches and Minnesota church organizations are Presbyterian and Methodist churches in Superior and the Wisconsin UCCF Commission and the Interconference Commission of the Methodist Church, Wisconsin area. An enlarged Advisory Committee has the responsibility for the UCCF program in Duluth and the UCCF-Wesley Fellowship program in Superior. The committee includes representatives from all of the sponsoring churches. The Rev. Mr. Elving N. Peterson, Glen Avon Presbyterian Church, is chairman of the Advisory Committee. An indication of the responsibility, vision and faith of the Advisory Committee is seen in the increased size of their budget for the coming year - from \$5,000 in 1964 to \$11,270 in 1965.

The 1963-64 school year program was completed under the leadership of Miss Mary Anne Lindlief, UCCF Director, who resigned in June to be married.

During the 1964-65 school year the UCCF group has been holding regular weekly meetings at the Kirby Center at UMD. Several intercollegiate meetings have brought together students from UMD, College of St. Scholastica, and Wisconsin State University, Superior. Several students attended the Regional UCCF Winter Conference in Morris. Through an office which is provided at UMD for the religious organizations and advisors the campus pastors have on campus facilities for counseling students. A magazine rack in one of the library study rooms at UMD is devoted to magazines and periodicals of the student Christian movements. UCCF, in cooperation with the other campus religious organizations, is providing current copies of these publications.

Through UCCF Pilgrim and the other supporting churches have developed a ministry in higher education which has been faithful in past years, constantly open to change and development, and alive to the future. May these continue to be the marks of UCCF in the years ahead as it bears the ministry of Jesus Christ in the academic world.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Nelson  
UCCF Campus Pastor



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

12.

The Board of Christian Education during the year 1964 consisted of David S. Bouschor, chairman, Mrs. Rollo Hunt, secretary, Mrs. F. C. Jacobson, Mr. Ted J. Lee, Mrs. P. G. Dunbar, Mrs. R. C. Jackson, Mrs. M. M. Fifield, Mr. Roy Osterlund and Miss Martha Wallace.

During the year 1964 the Board was again quite active in relation to the Church School and new curriculum. Of course, Mrs. Pronko has taken the great burden of administration and direction of the program and has kept the Board abreast of the progress and problems. We feel that the curriculum has been most successful and well received.

We lost two members of the Board by resignation: Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Hunt. These vacancies were filled by appointment for the unexpired term by Mrs. C. L. Thomas and Dr. Irvine Parson.

The Family Dinners were sponsored during the year and the high point, of course, was our annual Christmas Dinner and carol sing. This year the Junior Choir presented a short cantata as part of the Christmas Program.

A most interesting meeting in April provided the Board with a viewing of the new filmstrip "Herod the King". This was most interesting and gave an insight into the curriculum.

One of our biggest projects has been to encourage use of the library. For this we have again selected a library committee very ably headed by Mrs. Plumb. There has been much headway made in our library. It is now functional and we hope that our Church School Staff will make more use of it as well as the students.

As usual the Board sponsored the Thanksgiving project of Share Our Surplus, and One Great Hour of Sharing in the Church School.

This year we discontinued Vacation Church School as the Public School Summer Program makes it virtually impossible to run a successful program.

Your Board has had a satisfying year and feels much has been accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

Davis S. Bouschor, Chairman

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

My recent injury and continuing hospitalization have certainly underscored the statement in my 1964 report concerning the many wonderful people and the warm friendliness Mother and I have found in Duluth, and especially in Pilgrim Church. We have come to know many more of you better as time has passed. With a very deep appreciation of your many expressions of love and concern, I can truly say it is a great privilege and joy to work with such loyal and enthusiastic people. After more than a year and a half here, I find my job increasingly interesting, stimulating and satisfying.

This past year again it has been my pleasure to work with an outstanding Board of Christian Education and a super Church School Staff. To have 25 or more adults, plus half a dozen teens on hand every Sunday morning, prepared to do their jobs with enthusiasm is something of which any church may be proud. In addition, there are a goodly number of willing substitute teachers standing by.



mention a few Church School highlights:

13.

First on the list is the acquisition of the Hearing House, enabling us to relieve our overcrowded conditions. This is working out even better than anticipated to the great satisfaction of all involved. Grades 3, 4, 7, 8 and 9 since November 1st have been meeting in the Hearing House, giving grades 7, 8 and 9 adequate rooms of their own instead of shared space.

Second, expanding into the Hearing House has enabled us to move the library from the 6th grade classroom into the room vacated by the 3rd grade, off the Chapel hall, around the corner from my office. Now the library may be used for reference work at any time during the Church School hour as well as whenever the church is open. We continue to add to our excellent library. We invite you to come in and see what's new. You will find books not likely to be found in the Public Library. The books are being used more and more, by both children and adults. Sections of the bookcases are plainly labeled as to subject matter. Our special library fund has reached \$30.25. New books are being ordered, many of which are "extra" items we have wanted but did not feel justified in buying under the budget.

Our Audio-Visual Library is steadily growing with the addition this past year of the excellent curriculum filmstrips and records. Our picture file is the envy of all from other churches who see it, with dozens of beautifully mounted pictures from every conceivable source and attractive resource folders of pictures and articles. These are in addition to the pictures purchased with the curriculum which are most interesting and exciting.

Third, enthusiasm for the United Church Curriculum continues high. We are about to enter the second semester of Year II. Several groups of the Women's Fellowship are using upper grade courses as program material, providing their own leadership. Use of the Curriculum in this way is increasing. I have spoken to Women's Groups on various phases of the curriculum during the year, sometimes showing curriculum filmstrips.

At the beginning of each semester, the new curriculum pieces are displayed in Salter Hall one Sunday morning before and after service, with one or more Christian Education Board members present to answer questions. Quite a few people have availed themselves of this opportunity. If you have not, there will be another such display on January 31. At least two copies of each course book are kept in the library. You are encouraged to check these out and bring yourself up to date on the materials our children and young people are studying.

Other important events and information:

On Family Sunday last May, 37 Bibles were presented by Dr. Halfaker during the worship service to those completing the third grade.

The Church School participated as usual in One Great Hour of Sharing, and the Share Our Substance special offerings.

The Spring Family dinner and the Christmas dinner and program have been mentioned in the Christian Education Board Chairman's report. Both were well attended, with over 200 at the Christmas dinner. The Cantata with Tableaux was well received as a little change in program from former years.

Many of you enjoyed again this year the special display of Nativity and Christmas pictures in Salter Hall.

Last June 7, Church School Day, closed the 1963-64 year with Primary through 4th grade classes sharing with the congregation some of the experiences they had enjoyed during the year. The Junior Choir of 4th, 5th and 6th graders sang some of the songs learned from the curriculum.



14.

On September 19th, the Northeast Association Curriculum Workshop was held at Pilgrim Church with an excellent attendance by our own teachers. An outstanding display of curriculum teaching pictures was a part of this.

Regarding attendance, there has been, as expected under the circumstances, some drop off in enrollment, but we are constantly enrolling new families, and attendance is more evenly maintained than formerly.

Last February I attended the Annual Meeting of the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches in Cincinnati. From these sessions I derived much information and inspiration which I hope I have shared all during the year. Unfortunately, my accident has forced me to cancel my plans to attend this year. Meantime, I am learning anew much about acceptance, patience, forbearance, and understanding of people.

In closing, I wish to pay tribute to all the wonderful people who have worked by my side without whom there would be no Christian Education Report!

Respectfully submitted,

Ludwell B. Pronko

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

The purpose of this committee is twofold: to encourage young people to give serious consideration to the various church vocations, and to assist them in any way we can during the period of their training.

The committee follows a policy of making a \$300 grant annually to each young person who is attending college with the intention of entering a church vocation. This assistance is applicable to either undergraduate or postgraduate work. The money is provided by the Church Vocations Scholarship Fund, formerly known as the Hornby Scholarship Fund, which was set up in memory of Mr. Henry C. Hornby.

During the past year no financial help has been given through this committee, simply because none of the members of our church were eligible. It is the sincere hope of the committee that we may soon identify other young people who are interested in church vocations; and to this end we ask members of the church to be on the alert for promising candidates and to speak with us about them.

Acting in accordance with a decision made at the last annual meeting of the Church, the Committee approved the designation of an entrance scholarship to a student at Chicago Theological Seminary in the 1963-1964 school year. It appears that it will be possible to help another student during the current year. These stipends come from unrestricted gifts made to the Church Vocations Scholarship Fund. They are in the amount of \$1,275 per student.

The members of this committee are: Miss Dorothy Hornby, Samuel F. Atkins, Dr. E. I. Parson, and Valworth R. Plumb, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Valworth R. Plumb, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE MUSIC COMMITTEE

15.

After forty-five years as organist and choir director Ruth Alta Rogers "retired" as of September 1st, 1964. The music committee accepted with regret her resignation. A reception honoring her was given on the evening of June 1st, thus providing an opportunity for her many friends to express their affection and regard.

Donald H. Andrews was chosen by the music committee to take over the post vacated by Miss Rogers. A coffee hour, for the purpose of introducing Don and his wife Carolyn to the congregation, was given following his organ recital of January 17, 1965.

With the exception of summertime, approximately 34 Junior Choir voices sang on the third Sunday of each month (Family Sunday), and approximately 19 Chapel Choir members sang on the fourth Sunday of each month, and on special occasions, including Christmas Eve.

The Chancel Choir, with several new volunteers, continues to provide excellent music for the morning service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kenneth Duncan, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE LOOKOUT COMMITTEE

During 1964 the Lookout Committee's representatives were on hand to gather up the pulpit bouquets, take them in liners from vases to kitchenette, return liners to vases at front of sanctuary and carefully wrap each bouquet for presentation (accompanied by church card and current bulletin) where directed by Dr. Halfaker. The practice at destination is to determine if the patient can be seen, then make a brief call, with bulletin, card and bouquet to arrive from the center at the hospital a bit later. We are also to be alert for anything or any incident of interest to our pastor. The carefully arranged bouquets are always so pleasurably received.

The duties of the Committee at Easter require the entire committee, where possible. Please recall the colorful, well arranged setting of pastel pink hydrangeas and the traditional fragrant Easter lilies. Miss Belt numbered the plants in place to conform to carriers so as to facilitate delivery assignments to those on the committee. Following the Easter services before the committee members pick up plants they will deliver, there is a slight pause to enable owners who desire to take their own plants home. Last Easter the Lookout Committee was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Don Avery, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bonnell, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brain, Mr. and Mrs. Keith M. Brownell, and Miss Dorothy Belt, in the deliveries of the Easter plants. I was interested in the latter's reason; she said, "I've talked to several of the shut'ins over the phone and wish to meet them at home as I deliver a few lilies."

Mrs. Williams and the writer take this opportunity to thank members of the committee as well as the others who have assisted in the efficient functioning of our committee.

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. Williams, Chairman



### REPORT OF THE FLOWER COMMITTEE

16.

It has been the pleasure of the Flower Committee to arrange for flowers to be on the Communion table each Sunday during the year except for Communion Sundays when no flowers are used, and to decorate the church for Palm Sunday, Easter and Christmas.

Flowers were given as memorial gifts on 34 Sundays and by the Women's Fellowship on 10 Sundays. There were 67 memorial plants on Easter Sunday. The large wreath, garlands and poinsettias for Christmas were provided by the Women's Fellowship.

The Flower Committee wishes to express its sincere appreciation to all those who have contributed to the beauty and worshipful atmosphere of our church and to Mr. Lloyd Peterson of Peterson-Anderson Flowers who is so helpful in the selection of flowers and generous in the amount given to us for the minimal charge of \$5.00.

There are dates available for 1965. If you would like to provide memorial flowers, please call the church office. The cost is \$5.00; the flowers will be selected and arranged by the Flower Committee and the bill will be mailed to the donor by the florist.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. S. F. Atkins

Mrs. F. H. Magney

Beatrice Halfaker, Chairman

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF USHERS

Since being elevated to head usher late last summer I have helped in the reorganization of the Board of Ushers. This has been accomplished with the fine cooperation of Dr. Halfaker and all the church members contacted to serve. Many new faces have been added to the Board. Team captains this year are Wilbur Fox, a most faithful and experienced leader, Arthur Welch and Lon Taylor, both well qualified team members just promoted this last fall. Team members are:

Wilbur M. Fox, Captain

Dr. Gordon C. Amundson

T. Alan Brain

John M. Glendenning, Jr.

Carl J. Good

Thomas S. Kohlbry

Donald A. Smith

Arthur B. Welch, Captain

Edward B. Appelquest

William G. Currier

Robert M. Owens

Richard H. Rhode

John I. Thomas

Gerald G. Wedlund

A.W. Taylor, Jr., Captain

Edward T. Fride, Jr.

Orvin M. Hieb

Roy E. Howard

Donald A. McLish

Donald K. Morrison

Rolland G. Nelson

Our thanks for the helping hand goes to the entire Board of Ushers who give their time and attention to this most important service to God and His Church. Very special thanks go to John Dalton, assistant head usher, for his continuing and longtime loyal service.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard E. Griffith, Head Usher

#### REPORT OF THE COMMUNION COMMITTEE

17.

The Communion Committee has been revamped some this year. We find that we work very efficiently and all members of the group feel their responsibility and have been very faithful. We wish to take this opportunity to thank each member for her faithful service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. William C. Cochran  
Mrs. Robert M. Smith, Co-chairman

#### REPORT OF THE SERVICE COMMITTEE

There has been no special project for the Service Committee this past year.

At the present time the chairman is serving on a Committee which is planning for an International Dinner to be held in the cafeteria of UMD in April. Foreign college students at UMD and the College of St. Scholastica are assisting in working out the menu of foods from their homelands and for the program which will be produced by these foreign students.

This is to be a Community International Dinner - an opportunity for everyone to become acquainted with some of the foreign students who are living and studying in our midst. There will be further publicity concerning this affair and we hope that many of our own church members will attend it. One of our church members - Mrs. Keith Brownell - is chairman of the Planning Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean M. Matter, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE OFFICE HELP COMMITTEE

The Office Help Committee assists Miss Belt in folding and inserting material to be mailed to members such as Pilgrim News and special mailings and in assembling the annual reports. During 1964 92½ hours of help were provided with materials amounting to 28,336 pieces.

The following people gave of their time in varying amounts as they were available and were called on: Mrs. W. D. Avery, Miss Myrtle Beane, Mrs. Ruth Cavanaugh, Mrs. E. C. Congdon, Mrs. P. G. Dunbar, Mrs. M. G. Gillespie, Mrs. W. L. Halfaker, Mrs. J. W. Hanson, Miss Avis Hollingsworth, Mrs. K. F. Honigman, Miss Edna Jenks, Mrs. W. B. Matter, Mrs. W. W. Matzke, Mrs. R. B. McDonald, Mrs. M. M. Meldahl, Mrs. E. I. Parson, Mrs. B. S. Savin, Miss Helen Seymour, Mrs. Robert M. Smith, Mrs. H. N. Sutherland, Mrs. M. H. Tibbetts, Miss Helen Walker, and Mr. Steele.

Respectfully submitted,

Carroll D. Steele, Chairman



REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

18.

The Nominating Committee submits the following nominations for officers and committee memberships:

CLERK: Robert F. Eaton

TREASURER: Jesse D. Bradley

HISTORIAN: William G. Currier

BOARD OF DEACONS: (for three years) John T. Adams, Dr. Warren J. Brooker, John M. Dickerson, Robert H. Engstrom, Valworth R. Plumb, Robert B. Rhode.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: (for three years) Edward T. Fride, Jr., George H. Spencer, Jr., Mrs. William P. Van Evera.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: (for three years) Mrs. F. C. Jacobson, John D. Morrison, Dr. E. I. Parson.

LOOKOUT COMMITTEE: C. T. Williams, Chairman; Mrs. C. T. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brain, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Currier, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur M. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Palmer, Mrs. T. J. Shefchik, Sr., Mrs. G. H. Spencer, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Tengquist.

STANDING COMMITTEE: Mrs. Robert H. Engstrom, Mrs. Carl J. Good, Mrs. F. H. Magney, Mrs. C. F. Russell, Mrs. L. C. Underdahl, Mrs. Werner J. Zentner.

MUSIC COMMITTEE: Mrs. Kenneth Duncan, Chairman; Robert E. Beverley, Mrs. F. H. Cash, Mrs. E. C. Congdon, C. Lindsley Edson, Dr. Keith R. Fawcett, Mrs. M. M. Fifield, Wilbur M. Fox, Mrs. Karl F. Honigman, Mrs. F. C. Jacobson, Mrs. Willard B. Matter, Mrs. Kenneth C. Weyl.

Respectfully submitted,

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. P. N. Bray

Keith Brownell

Mrs. R. G. Palmer

Milton H. Prince

Thomas J. Shefchik, Jr.

Robert B. Rhode, Chairman

Carroll D. Steele

Mrs. C. L. Thomas

Douglas Walker

Mrs. R. M. Woodbridge

Mrs. F. C. Jacobson